

## Earith Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at the Village Hall

#### Present – Councillors

Mr Steve Edwards (Chairman)  
 Ms Hazel Lambert  
 Mr Alan Spackman  
 Mr Nick Tindall

Miss Ann Brennan (Vice Chairman)  
 Mr Jeff Nicholls  
 Mrs Paula Brown  
 Mr Keith Hudson

CC Mr Steve Criswell  
 0 member of the public

Mandy Pink – Clerk

**Item 75 Apologies for absence – Mrs Marilyn Russell, Mrs Louise Reay, Mr Allan Till, DC Mr Jon Neish**

#### Open Meeting

**Item 76 Open Forum – No public present**

**Item 77 Ecops Report – No report**

**Item 78 County Council and District Council Reports**

District Council – No report

County Councillor Mr Steve Criswell reported that Envar Composting Ltd have submitted a planning application for permission to incinerate medicinal waste. Earith Parish Council are not a consultee for this application but will be discussing this item in September. The County Council HCV Group will not be operational under the new Council administration. The Wheatshaf Crossroads proposals are being reviewed and the A1123 will not be re-classified. Speed reduction measures will be encouraged instead, and the Parish Council are being asked to consider some options that can be put forward as an LHI Bid in September.

#### (Close open Meeting)

#### (Open closed section of Meeting)

**Item 79 Code of Conduct – Dispensation received, and decisions granted – None.**

**Item 80 Councillors declaration of interest –** The Chairman drew the Councillors attention to the legal requirement that all interests should be declared following the Code of Conduct Localism Act 2011 c7. s27(3)(b). – None

**Item 81 To agree minutes of Parish Council meeting held on – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021.**

Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the minutes are agreed.  
 Resolved - All in favour

**Item 82 Planning – Application 21/01482/HHFUL – 196 Greenfields – First floor side extension**

Mr Keith Hudson proposed, and Mr Nick Tindall seconded that the application is approved with no objections. Resolved - All in favour

**Planning – Application 21/01511/HHFUL – 19 Chapel Road – Single storey side extension**

Mr Alan Spackman proposed, and Mrs Paula Brown seconded that the application is approved with no objections. Resolved - All in favour

**Planning – Application 21/01512/HHFUL – 15 Vermuyden – Single storey rear extension and internal alterations**

Mr Alan Spackman proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the application is approved with no objections. Resolved - All in favour

**Item 83 Parish Council Representatives Report –**

**Road Safety –** Mr Jeff Nicholls reported that the next meeting will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September.

**HCV –** Mr Nick Tindall reported that the A1123 reclassification, speed reduction measures and the Willow Hall Farm application were the main topics of discussion at the meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> of July. The next meeting will be on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2021

**Recreation Field and Play Equipment –** Mr Keith Hudson reported that the swings are being used irregularly but appear to remedy themselves without any input

**Health and Safety –** No report

**Hanson update –** Mr Steve Edwards reported that he had visited the site and there are two good paths providing access routes across the RSPB reserve and many different species of birds and insects are evident. Mr Keith Hudson reported that there may be a Crane in the area.

**Saywell Charity –** No report

**Ouse Valley Way update –** No report

**Rights of Way –** Ms Hazel Lambert reported that the footpath behind the Minnaars site needs some maintenance. The Clerk will organise this with Mr Minnaar

**Village Pond** – Ms Hazel Lambert reported that the duck weed is back on the pond. She has carried out some research into this plant and has discovered that a Grass Carp fish will eat the weed. She will investigate this a bit more and report back at the next meeting

**Allotments** – No report

**Skeeles update** – Miss Ann Brennan reported that there have not been any meetings and the Clerk will make sure that the application form is in the next Earith Echo magazine

**Village Car Parks** – No report

- Item 84** **Earith Town Estate update** – The Clerk informed the Council that the new bank account has now been opened and the Pavilion has been cleared. There are still some items left to do to make the Pavilion into a good useable space but the two sports days that have already taken place have been well attended and the children and parents have all been pleased with the activities on offer and the use of the Pavilion. The Clerk recommended that it would be a good idea to make this a regular item in the budget as it was proving to be very popular with the residents. The Clerk does have a series of ideas that she would like to try out in the Pavilion, and she will trial some other events to see what is popular with the Village. She will put an article in the Earith Echo to inform the Village of the ideas and see what feedback is received.
- Item 85** **Trees and hedges to report for action to be taken and updates on visits already made** – Mr Jeff Nicholls reported that some hedge maintenance has taken place at 181 Greenfields following a successful visit in July. Mr Keith Hudson reported that the hedge alongside no 1A Hereward is now encroaching onto the roadway and is scraping passing cars. A visit will be made. Miss Ann Brennan reported that some street light lanterns are being covered over by hedges in the Village and the Clerk will report this to Balfour Beatty when she is provided with the addresses and column numbers.
- Item 86** **Drains, Roads and Pavements – including advisory notes re car parking – reports for action to be taken** – The Clerk will follow up action on the white lining at Cooks Drove and the crack sealing works in Greenfields. Mr Jeff Nicholls asked the Clerk to report the white lining at Chapel Road leading to School Road.
- Item 87** **GDPR group of policies review** – No Changes to be noted
- Item 88** **Update on the Village Hall project** – The Clerk and Ms Hazel Lambert reported to the Council that the Architects meeting had gone very well, and they were very keen to work on the project. It is hopeful that the project will be shovel ready in time for spring 2023 if the site location and planning process run to schedule. The Architects will attend the Annual Parish Meeting on October the 14<sup>th</sup> to present to the Village the proposed drawings.
- Item 89** **Parish Council consideration to provide the Village Hall Working Group with decision making authority for the project** – The Clerk asked the Council to consider allowing the Working Group to have decision making authority for the project while it goes through the architect stage and when preparing the planning application. Various surveys will need to be carried out when the site is fixed so that detailed plans can be presented to the District Council for consideration. Any items that are decided out of the normal Council meeting schedule will be reported at the next available opportunity so that the full council are still up to date with the project going forwards. Mr Nick Tindall proposed, and Mr Alan Spackman seconded that decision making authority is approved for the Village Hall working group.  
Resolved – All in favour
- Item 90** **Finance** –
- a) Payments to sign off
  - b) Online Salary payments for August to be made as standard
  - c) Chairman to sign bank statement.
- a) Ms Hazel Lambert proposed, and Mrs Paula Brown seconded that the payments should be signed off.  
Resolved – All in favour
  - b) Online salary payments for August – Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the payments should be made. Resolved – All in favour
  - c) Bank statement signed by Chairman

<u>Payee</u>	Description		<u>£</u>	<u>Chq</u>	<u>Powers</u>		
Mrs K M Pink	Clerks Wages 75hrs @ £18.05	1353.75			LGHA1989,s.7		
	Clerks Expenses	25.00			LGA 1963, s.5		
	Mobile phone monthly rental not taxab	12.00			LGA 1972, s.133		
		total less tax	1254.94	online			
Mrs C Shook	Cleaner 5.5 hrs @ 10.16	55.88			LGA 1972,s.133		
xx	Booking Clerk 2.5hrs @ 10.16	25.40			LGHA1989,s.7		
		total less tax	81.28	online			
Mrs J Law	Caretaker July		100.00	online	LGA 1972,s.133		
Inland Revenue	PAYE July 2021		224.37	online	LGA 1972,s.112-119		
Mrs K M Pink	Extra work ETE and Pavilion		279.78	online	LGHA 1989, s.7		
Mr MS Pink	Parish Handyman		150.00	online	LGHA1953,s.4		
MSP Services	Grass Cutting		840.00	online	OSA 1906, s.10		
MSP Services	General Village Hall Maintenance		185.00	online	LGA 1972,s.133		
Earith Town Estate	Rental of play area at Recreation Field		750.00	online	OSA 1906, 3.10		
Roll & Scroll	Bespoke metal bench Bridge Memorial		950.00	online	LGA 1972, s.137		
James Waters	Grass Cutting Colne to Earith		48.00	online	OSA 1906, s.10		
Dale Bateman	Locksmith charge V Hall		38.99	online	LGHA1972,s.133		
Sisco Architect	Initial briefing fee V Hall		1080.00	online	LGA 1972, s.133		
RBLI	Left facing Tommy Statue		200.00	Debit Card	LGA 1972, s.137		
Terrys Heel Bar	Key Cutting x 2		9.00	Debit Card	LGHA1972,s.133		
West End DIY	Locks for Village bins		9.90	Debit Card	OSA 1906, s.10		
Screwfix	Cabinet locks x 2		10.99	Debit Card	LGHA1972,s.133		
Advanced Security	New CCTV Camera Pavilion		420.00	online	Local Govt & rating Act 1997, S.31		
Information Commissio	Renewal of data protection registration		40.00	Debit Card	LGA 1972, s.288		
Hunts DC	Commercial Waste Collection Rec		20.15	DD	Litter Act 1983,ss.5,6		
Hunts DC	Commercial Waste Collection V Hall		10.08	DD	Litter Act 1983,ss.5,6		
CNG	Village Hall Gas		22.79	DD	LGHA1972,s.133		
	Total spend for July 2021		6,725.27				

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Meeting Dates 2021

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

2<sup>nd</sup> September[www.earithparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.earithparishcouncil.org.uk)Date of Notice – 14<sup>th</sup> August 2021