

## Earith Parish Council

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

#### Present – Councillors

Mr Steve Edwards (Chairman)  
Mrs Paula Brown  
Mr Keith Hudson  
Ms Hazel Lambert  
Mr Alan Spackman  
Mr Nev Clements

Miss Ann Brennan (Vice Chairman),  
Mr Nick Tindall  
Mr Jeff Nicholls  
Mr Allan Till  
Mrs Louise Reay

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Mandy Pink – Clerk

**Item 45 Apologies for absence – CC Mr Steve Criswell, DC Mr Jon Neish, DC Mr Paul Hodgson Jones**

#### **Open Meeting**

**Item 46 Open Forum** – No comments made

**Item 47 Ecops Report** – No report

**Item 48 County Council and District Council Reports** – No reports

#### **(Close open Meeting)**

#### **(Open closed section of Meeting)**

**Item 49 Code of Conduct – Dispensation received, and decisions granted** – None.

**Item 50 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 51 To agree minutes of Parish Council meeting held on – 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**  
Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mrs Louise Reay seconded that the minutes are agreed.  
Resolved - All in favour

**Item 52 Planning** - None

**Item 53 Parish Council Representatives Report** –

**Road Safety** – No report

**HCV Group** – No report

**Rights of Way** – Ms Hazel Lambert reported that the bridleway at Colne Quarry is still not open, and Case Officer Helen Wass has chased this up. The legal agreement is still to be finalised, but it is expected that the Southern end should be open soon. There is a problem with the design of the horse bridge.

**Recreation Field and Play Equipment** – No report regarding equipment but Ms Hazel Lambert thanked those who helped with the Jubilee picnic. Extra medals will be ordered. This event helped to highlight the location of the proposed new Village Hall and residents had a chance to ask questions about this project and there was also a display in the pavilion about the plastic free community initiative.

**Village Pond** – Ms Hazel Lambert reported that duck weed needs to be cleared at the pond and she will get together her team of volunteers to sort this out over the coming months. The Clerk is to email the volunteer form. Mrs Paula Brown reported that her husband has been making enquiries into the different type of pumps that are available. Both solar and wind pumps may not work that well due to the cubic capacity of the water in the pond. An electric pump with filters and associated pipework would be the best alternative and Mrs Paula Brown and Ms Hazel Lambert will work on this project going forward. Mrs Brown asked the Clerk to investigate the associated cost of getting electricity to this area as the cost was over £5,000 when it was last investigated. Associated funding was discussed, and the Clerk informed the Council of the recent CIL monies received and Miss Ann Brennan informed the Council that the remaining monies in the Village fund originally used for Christmas Lights could also be used for this Village initiative. Mrs Paula Brown also informed the Council that Hansons had promised some large rocks, free of charge for the pond as this would also invigorate the water and help with oxygenation. Mr Nev Clements has temporarily installed a generator pump into the pond which does seem to be helping.

**Health and Safety** – No report

**Hanson update** – No report

**Skeeles update** – No report

**Village Car Parks** – No report

**Speedwatch/MVAS** – No report

**Ouse Valley Way** – No report

**Saywell Charity** – The Chairman reported that he is preparing a new application to the Charity Commission which will include confirmation of how monies are to be distributed.

**Allotments** – Mr Nev Clements reported that there have been several break ins at the site along with thefts of produce. Some plots are not being looked after and the Clerk is to contact one plot holder and Mr Alan Spackman and Mr Nev Clements will also talk to another plot holder regarding the lack of cultivation of the plots.

- Item 54 Earith Town Estate** – The Clerk reminded the Council that the Care and Share Shop trial will be in July. The shop will be open on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 from 1pm – 4pm and donations can be left at the Pavilion on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July between 1pm -4pm. Help on either of these dates would be welcome. Sports days have also been organised over a five-week period commencing Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July until the 25<sup>th</sup> of August. 2-4pm at the recreation field. Pre booking is essential.
- Item 55 Trees and hedges to report for action to be taken and updates on visits already made** – Mr Keith Hudson reported that the resident of 24 Darford has vacated the property owned by Chorus Homes so a letter will need to be sent as the hedge is beginning to cause a problem. The PC reps responsible for tree and hedge visits reported that they had received a complaint from a resident who was not happy with their visit. The hedge in question has now been maintained. All visits have now been carried out.
- Item 56 Drains, Roads, and Pavements – including advisory notes re car parking – reports for action to be taken** – Miss Ann Brennan reported that a lot of vehicles have been going the wrong way along Chapel Road.
- Item 57 Plastic Free Communities** – The Clerk reported that emails had been sent to the local businesses asking for support, but so far little response had been received. The group have stated that even if they do not reach accreditation status they will continue with the project and put infographics on Facebook and reports in the Echo
- Item 58 Land Registry update** – No report.
- Item 59 Village Hall update** – Ms Hazel Lambert reported that it may be good to organise another event as the planners need to see evidence that the Village is happy with the New Hall so that this can be presented along with the Planning Application.
- Item 60 Finance** –
- a) Payments to sign off
  - b) Online Salary payments for June to be made as standard
  - c) Chairman to sign bank statement.
- a) Mrs Louise Reay proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the payments should be signed off. Resolved – All in favour
  - b) Online salary payments for June to be made as standard  
Mrs Louise Reay proposed, and Mr Jeff Nicholls seconded that the payments should be made. Resolved – All in favour
  - c) Bank statement signed by Chairman

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>Chq</u>	<u>Powers</u>
Mrs K M Pink	Clerks Wages 75hrs @ £18.90	1417.50			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		1293.62	online	
Mrs C Shook	Cleaner 5.5 hrs @ 10.63	58.47			LGA 1972,s.133
xx	Booking Clerk 2.5hrs @ 10.63	26.57			LGHA1989,s.7
	total less tax		85.04	online	
Mrs J Law	Caretaker May		100.00	online	LGA 1972,s.133
Inland Revenue	PAYE May 2022		263.90	online	LGA 1972,s.112-119
Mr MS Pink	Parish Handyman		150.00	online	LGA1953,s.4
MSP Services	Grass Cuttting		780.00	online	OSA 1906, s.10
Ms H Lambert	Paint remover skatepark		25.20	online	OSA 1906, s.10
Viking	Cleaning Products		84.48	online	LGA 1972, s.133
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
Positive Energy	Village Hall Gas		331.31	DD	LGHA1972,s.133
SSE	Village Hall Electricity		77.30	DD	LGHA1972,s.133
	Total spend for May 2022		3,221.08		

Mrs Mandy Pink – Clerk 07717 207 533  
These minutes are unadopted

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Meeting closed at 9.03pm

Meeting Dates 2022  
7<sup>th</sup> July  
4<sup>th</sup> August  
1<sup>st</sup> September