

East Drayton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on Monday 15th July 2024 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs S Manson (Chair), P Darlow, A Stanley, S Purnell, I Stephens; Dcllr Stanniland, Cllr Ogle; the Clerk and S Ellis. Members of the public - 1

1. Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Bond and Small

- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2024** - approved and signed, also the revised minutes of the March meeting - approved and signed. The Clerk reminded the PC that any queries relating to draft minutes should be raised with the Chairman and Clerk no later than 3 days before the next scheduled meeting so that they can be addressed. The draft minutes are distributed to the councillors a week before the meetings.

3. To consider matters arising from the above minutes:

a. Discretionary Grants - due to changes in application format the 2 applications have been re-submitted.

b. Receipt of audit documents confirmed and audit approved by the external auditors. No Public Rights requests.

c. East Drayton Festival - Cllr Stanley reported a successful weekend despite a disappointing response to the events on Saturday. Sunday's activities on the sports field were well attended (although it would have been nice to see more children participating) and the good weather was a great help. The refreshments were exceptional - thank you to Lorna and Gary Garfoot and also to Sarah Hilditch for organising the children's games. Cllr Stanley will collate a photo exhibition and write a piece for the Village Newsletter and Website. Note - children's games equipment will be available for hire. Surplus plates and cutlery have been left in the VH for future events. £119 each has been donated to the Church and Village Hall. Cllr Stanley was thanked for her work on this.

d. "One Earth Solar Farm" - Mr Stanley reported on this and the National Grid information session he attended with Cllr Stanley. The original "west" corridor skirting the edge of ED had been objected to. An alternative "east" corridor was under consideration. This would follow the current line of pylons from High Marnham to Rampton. The NG stated that the additional infrastructure and use of HM was needed to take power to the south. Under the second proposal the corridor would cross the planned "One Earth" solar farm. The planning authority would need to consider the proposals in tandem. Mr Stanley noted that today, 15th July, the new government had approved 3 large solar farms in the region, including at West Burton.

e. There were no other matters arising.

4. **Declarations by Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest(s) in any agenda item.** None.

5. **Planning** - None

6. **Correspondence** - emails.

7. **Urgent Business** -

- Flooding Response Group - Cllr Manson would represent EDPC on this group, with help from Cllr Small.
- Defibrillator maintenance - Cllr Purnell checks this on a monthly basis and has re-registered the device with the local ambulance service.
- Code of Conduct - Cllr Manson re-iterated his comments from the last meeting and it was unanimously agreed to adopt the model C-O-C provide by NALC. ACTION - Clerk to distribute document.

8. **Meeting adjourned for public discussion**

a. Cllr Ogle - New Mayor for Notts and Derby, Claire Ward, is focusing on housing as well road and rail capital projects. Money is coming to the newly devolved East Midlands region and bids need to be made for money to be spent on maintenance eg. Potholes. Parish Councils need to continue reporting these highways issues to NCC. The reporting system has been upgraded to reflect the feedback from PCs.

9. **Finance**

a. Income : NIL

b. Accounts for payment

- Cllr Manson - planters £164.50 - APPROVED
- Cllr Stanley - ED Festival expenses - £154.53 - APPROVED

c. Budget 24/25 - £1593 available

10. **Neighbourhood Plan** - Cllr Manson reported that funding for the AECOM "Call for Sites" technical package was now open and he and Cllr Bond were in the process of agreeing this package with them. There were 8 applications received and these will be independently considered by AECOM based on their criteria of suitability.

11. **General Business**

- Cllr Stanley again raised the condition of the footbridge on Ridings Lane - unsafe, weak, no handrail. She would take photographs and report this to BDC.

- Cllr Stephens reported the poor conditions of the footpath from the back of Strawson's farm to the old piggery on Mill Lane.
- No other matters arising.

12. Date of next meeting - **MONDAY 16th September 2024** at 7:00pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:55pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed.....

Cllr S Manson, Chairman, East Drayton Parish Council

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