

NOTES FROM THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 01 FEBRUARY 2024

There were 15 members of the public present. They came along to give points of view and objections to planning application no S/169/00025/24. Notes were made and will be considered by the Parish Council at item 14 on the agenda.

A question was raised about the possibility of pylons in the area, there is no clear plan of where they are going to be sited. A consultation event is being held in Eastville.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 01 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 7.45PM IN THE BUNGALOW AT THE OLD RECTORY, MAIN ROAD1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASON FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Dist Cllr Jones

Present: Cllrs Pritchard, Jones, Hopkins, Pocklington, Sherriff and Edwards (Chairman)

Also present: County Cllr Bowkett and Dist Cllr Ashton

2. TO CO-OPT A NEW COUNCILLOR

- a. An email has been received from a resident and circulated to Councillors.
- b. There being only one applicant, Alison Gray was co-opted onto the Parish Council.
- c. Alison joined the Councillors and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

3. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

County Cllr Bowkett reported:

- a. Following consultation it seems most people support devolution for Lincolnshire.
- b. £40m is needed each year to sort out the road maintenance back log, LCC have asked for the 25% previously cut by the Government to be given back. The LCC full budget can be found on the website.
- c. The National Grid consultation has an event at Eastville on 16 February between 2.00pm and 7.00pm. The consultation can be found at www.nationalgrid.com/the.great.grid.update
- d. The meeting held with Anglian Water regarding flooding was well attended and Anglian Water have pledged to look into the issues raised and give regular updates.

7.50pm County Cllr Bowkett left the meeting

Dist Cllr Ashton reported:

- a. Disposable vapes are to be banned, this is good news, but no licence is required for tobacco products so there is nothing to remove when sold against the law as it is with alcohol licences.
- b. The district has increased Council Tax on a band D property by £4.95.
- c. ELDC has received a 'windfall' through Tritton Knoll business rates, it is not known how many years this will last.
- d. Drainage Boards and special levies are a drain on Council Tax with 60% going to the drainage boards.

8.05pm Dist Cllr Ashton left the meeting

4. RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

Cllrs Gray, Jones and Hopkins declared an interest in planning due to putting in personal objections.

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5. NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 07 NOVEMBER 2023 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS THE MINUTES

It was resolved that the notes, previously circulated, be signed as the minutes.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

- a. The tree work in the cemetery has been carried out.
- b. The precept form has been returned to ELDC. The amount of £25,000 with a tax base of 370 means that the cost to a Band D property is £67.57 per year.

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Bags are required for the litter picking team in the village, the Clerk will try and get some.

8. TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF £150.00 FOR ANNUAL TRAINING SCHEME

Following discussion it was agreed to join the training scheme for 2024/25 and pay the £150.00 required.

9. TO APPROVE NEW ACCOUNTANT TO DEAL WITH PAYE

- a. The Clerk read out an email from a new accountant.
- b. It was resolved that the quote be accepted, the Clerk will advise both accountants who will work together for a smooth pass over.

10. FINANCE REPORT:

a. Authority for payment:	£
i. Clerk's expenses (November)	131.50
ii. Salaries (January + back pay)	1042.72
iii. E L Arnold (White paper for magazine)	34.30
iv. E L Arnold (garden waste bins for cemetery)	100.00
v. K & P Services (clock winding/cemetery work)	80.00
vi. 707 Ltd (cemetery skip - November)	45.76
vii. Bolingbroke Deanery (March)	TBA
viii. Bolingbroke Deanery (December/January magazine)	84.00
ix. HSBC Bank Charges	8.20
x. Malc Firth Landscapes (Cemetery tree work)	998.40
xi. HMRC (PAYE)	295.22
xii. Evelyn Sands (PAYE)	70.00
xiii. LALC (Annual Subscription)	307.52
xiv. Anglian Water (Cemetery supply – d/d)	18.34
xv. LALC (Annual training subscription)	150.00
xvi. Haines Watts (PAYE)	TBA
b. Payments made in January:	
xvii. Salaries (December)	834.01
xviii. K & P Services (clock winding/cemetery work)	80.00
xix. 707 Ltd (cemetery skip – December)	45.76
xx. London Hearts (defibrillator)	900.00

Signed:

Date:

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED - continued

- iv. *Recently a meeting was held with Anglian Water and the local MP to discuss drainage issues in Stickney due to residents having problems with toilets backing up and finding sewerage in their gardens. This development would be in an area where the flooding/water issues are.*
- v. *Stickney Meadows is a development of 50 properties, an application for 100 properties was refused and then changed to 50 properties and approval was given. Had the original application been for 96 properties would planning have been approved?*
- vi. *There ARE issues with appointments at the local Surgery. With the developments locally approved, together with those in Stickney, this will become an even worse issue.*
- vii. *The local report given is inaccurate as there is only one shop, no sports fields, no ATM and the play area is for under 14's only. The report implies that there are two shops, two sports fields and an ATM, this is not the case.*
- viii. *Tis site is not in the local development area of the village.*

(Cllrs Hopkins, Jones and Gray returned to the meeting)

S/126/01403/23 Mr A Gray Change of use of land to use as a gypsy/traveller caravan site comprising: a warden's pitch accommodating a static caravan/mobile home and, 10 transit pitches, each accommodating no more than 2 touring caravans, erection of toilet/wash block and, erection of dayroom building and laying of hardstanding (works commenced) at Stickney Showground, East Fen Lane.

- i. *ELDC already have a number of transit sites within East Lindsey that are not being used, why is there a need for another one?*
- ii. *The access road to this site is narrow and there is not the room for two caravans to pass. There are no street lights along this lane.*
- iii. *The site is in a high risk flood area with no existing services.*
- iv. *Is there an environment impact report available?*
- v. *The site is outside the local development area of the village.*

15. TO REPORT ANY PLANNING DECISIONS FROM ELDC

No planning decisions have been received, but an acknowledgement that the siting of a burger van has been passed to enforcement.

16. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING THE DEFIBRILLATOR AT THE YOUTH CENTRE

- a. The grant application has now been approved and the defibrillator has been ordered.
- b. A defibrillator should be here in the next two weeks.
- c. The Community Committee will be asked who they use for electricity works in the hall.

17. TO RECEIVE PLAY AREA REPORT

- a. Cllr Hopkins checks the play area regularly on behalf of the Council and the bins are being emptied regularly.
- b. The signs will be chased up, one of them is more difficult to replace than the other, the Clerk will try again to get it ordered.
- c. The needles and leaves from the trees need to be removed, the handyman will be asked to do this.

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18. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FOR HIGHWAYS AND SITING OF PUFFIN CROSSING

- a. The hedges by footways need to be cut back before the bird nesting season, LCC will be advised of the overhanging hedges.
- b. The 30mph signs order will be chased up.
- c. A 30mph average speed camera/check will be requested for Main Road.
- d. The new site for the Puffin Crossing is where is was requested.

19. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FOR THIS MEETING

An email has been received regarding the recycling of tablet foils, this can be googled for a local place to drop of these foils.

20. OTHER BUSINESS – MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

There were no additional matters for the next agenda.

21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 07 March 2024 at 7.30pm in Youth Centre, Hall Lane with a Public Forum from 7.15pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm

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Date: