

LEIRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Leire Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th February 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

IN ATTENDANCE:

Parish Councillors: Cllr. D Morgan, Cllr. P Pickering, Cllr. Huckerby and Cllr. Cawley-Rock

Parish Clerk: Mrs. K Clarke

Parishioners: Eight parishioners present

County Council: Cllr. N Bannister

6418 To receive apologies from members of council and accept valid reasons for absence

Apologies for absence received and accepted from Cllr. Gerry Pool. Apologies for absence also received from District Cllr. Joshua Worrall.

6419 Declarations of interest

a. To receive members' declarations of interest in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct and Standing Orders

No declarations of interest received.

b. To receive and consider members' requests for dispensations in accordance with the adopted Code of Conduct and Standing Orders

No requests for dispensations received.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

6420 To adjourn the meeting for contributions from other representatives and members of the public

Cllr. Pickering raised concerns that the drainage works undertaken by Leicestershire County Council at Jubilee Walk are too high.

COUNCIL SESSION

6421 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2024

Cllr. Huckerby **proposed** signing the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2024 as accurate, Cllr. Pickering **seconded** the proposal. The minutes will be signed electronically.

6422 Matters arising from the meeting on 9th January 2024 not included on the agenda

No matters raised.

6423 Matters arising from District and County Councillor's

- Cllr. Bannister advised that he went to the site of the drain works undertaken by Leicestershire County Council with Mr. Garner and Cllr. Huckerby.
- Cllr. Bannister advised that the County Council are setting their budget on 21st February 2024. He advised that 80% of their budget is spent on adult social care and young people's services, that have to be provided. He advised that the County Council element of the precept will be increasing by the maximum percentage permitted of 5.98%.

6424 Financial Matters

a) To note the bank reconciliation to 13th February 2024

The reconciled balance on the Parish Council bank accounts as of 13th February 2024 is £13,893.52.

b) To approve accounts for payment and note receipts

Cllr. Morgan **proposed** payment of the following accounts, Cllr. Huckerby **seconded** the proposal:

CHQ NO	PAYEE	DETAIL	AMOUNT
001549	Npower	Streetlighting	£133.07
001550	Harborough District Council	Election administration costs	£210.00
001551	Harborough District Council	Emptying of waste bins	£996.81
001552	K Clarke	Parish Clerk salary and expenses	£329.60

c) To note the following receipts:

Received From	DETAIL	AMOUNT
Harborough Lotto	December 2023	£10.50
NatWest	Reserve account interest	£16.10

d) Any other financial matters

The Parish Council's website provider is no longer operating and all contracts have been taken over by Cuttlefish who will be offering the same service at the same price. The Parish Council agreed unanimously to move the service contract to Cuttlefish.

6425 Planning Matters

a) Planning applications:

- To consider planning application 24/00080/FUL
Agricultural machinery storage building
Springfield Farm, Broughton Lane, Leire
Resolved: The Parish Council has no comments to submit on the application.

b) Planning decisions: No planning decisions to note.

c) To discuss the Local Plan Issues and Options (Regulation 18) Consultation

The Parish Council discussed the Local Plan Issues and Options (Regulation 18) Consultation.

- Cllr. Bannister advised that people are engaging with the consultation. The SHELAA has been published but no assessments have been made. The consultation ends on 27th February 2024 and Cllr. Bannister added that he hope that people who have an interest do participate.
- Cllr. Cawley-Rock advised that the Neighbourhood Plan will need reviewing. All the sites in the SHELAA are deliverable after the expiration of the Neighbourhood Plan period.
- A resident asked if the Neighbourhood Plan was a misrepresentation stating that there would be zero housing. The Parish Council advised that at this stage they don't know what the new Local Plan will propose.
- Cllr. Bannister advised that once the submissions from the Regulation 18 consultation have been reviewed HDC will undertake a second consultation which will be the key consultation.
- The Parish Council agreed to contact Harborough District Council regarding the accessibility of the consultation.
- The Parish Council will review all the documentation and submit their responses prior to the consultation deadline.

d) To receive updates on enforcement cases

No update to receive.

e) Any other planning matters

There are no further details regarding when planning application 23/01536/FUL for land at the former quarry on Leire Lane will appear on the agenda of the Planning Committee at Harborough District Council.

6426 To discuss any matters arising at the Playing Field and Jubilee Walk

- The volunteer group have advised that the new drain has been installed and is working. There are

some issues with seepage through the bank onto the slip road but they hope to be able to solve it. The group noted thanks to Cllr. Bannister for his support on the matter.

- The volunteer group have advised that they have received a request from the children of the village for a BMX cycle area on Jubilee Walk. The group support this provided it is in the area from the Station Lane area up to the Leire Frolesworth Road bridge. The Parish Council had concerns about the proposal and would like to discuss the matter with representatives of the group at the Parish Council meeting in March.

6427 To receive the clerk's report on correspondence and consider any recommendations

No matters raised.

6428 To consider items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

- Updates on the agenda items above.

6429 To confirm the date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 13th March 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Cllr Morgan closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

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