



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 9th August 2021 at 7.15 pm at The Old School, Bottesford.

222/21. Public Session

Concern was expressed regarding planning application 21/00575/OUT particularly with regards to the potential loss of green spaces within the village. A representative of the Bottesford Wombles requested a copy of a map of bins in the parish and an update on the replacement bin at the Village Store.

223/21. Close Public Session and open Parish Council Meeting. (7.34pm)

Members present:

Cllr. Bob Bayman (BB) - Chair

Cllr. Tony Bennett (TB)

Cllr. Jane Bennett (JB)

Cllr. Bob Sparham (BS)

Cllr. Anne Ablewhite (AA)

Also present: Mrs. Lucy Flavin (Clerk)

224/21. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Apologies had been received from Cllrs CD, LD, LA and BM. Proposed by Cllr AA, seconded by Cllr JB. Council **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies.

225/21. To receive declarations of interest under the Councils Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

None

226/21. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 12th July 2021.

The minutes could not be approved as there was no quorate of Cllrs who had been in attendance at the meeting. This item was deferred until the September meeting.

227/21. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda and for report only.

Cllr TB requested, and was provided, updates on agenda items 201/21, 204/21, 206/21, 207/21 and 213/21.

228/21. Melton Borough Councillors Pritchett and Chandler to update the meeting on Borough matters.

There were no Borough Cllrs in attendance. It was agreed that a full list of meetings be sent to Borough and County Cllrs and they be asked to provide a written report for meetings that could be included in meeting paperwork.

229/21. Leicestershire County Councillor Bryan Lovegrove to update the meeting on County matters.

County Cllr Lovegrove was not in attendance. See item 228/21.

Planning Applications

230/21. To consider the following applications:

- **21/00579/FULHH (21/00570/LBC)**- The Granary, Manor Road, Easthorpe
New window opening to the rear elevation.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

- **21/00575/OUT** - Land North of 8 Farmhouse Close, Bottesford

Proposed outline planning permission for one 2 bedroom bungalow

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA. Council **RESOLVED** to strongly object to this application on the grounds outlined in a report prepared by Cllr BB. Grounds included;
(1)The importance of the land as a significant green gap, link for connectivity and as a green space essential to settlement character, (2)The fact that the land has been a green space accessible to residents for many years.

- **21/00788/GDOPV** - Belvoir Fruit Farms, Barkestone Lane, Bottesford

Installation of a 339.57kWp solar photovoltaics array to the existing roof of the Belvoir Farm

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

- **21/00692/FUL** - Bridge House, 5 Easthorpe Road, Bottesford NG13 0DS

Erection of 2 No. Dwellings.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA. Council **RESOLVED** to object to this application on the grounds of; insufficient space for two properties, failure to include design elements to future proof the properties and the impact of additional vehicles in the area.

- **21/00694/FULHH** - 25 Church View, Bottesford NG13 0AE

Single Storey side & rear extension with carport to front garden.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA. Council **RESOLVED** to object to this application on the grounds of; the scale of the plans, the loss of a garage, not in keeping with street scene and impact on neighbouring properties.

- **21/00779/VAC** - Land OS 481069 339602 Normanton Lane Bottesford

Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans and reports) 8 (number and type of burials) and 11 (material of grave plaques/markers) in respect of previously approved application 20/00584/FUL to allow for the internment of ashes within the 100 burials a year and to amend the approved materials for the grave plaques

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to support this application subject to the guarantee that internment of ashes be within the 100 burials per year.

- **21/00675/FULHH** – 4 Riverside Walk, Bottesford

Single storey front extension

Proposed by Cllr BS, seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

- **20/00009/OUT** - Land South Of Granary Close Bottesford

Erection of up to 18 dwellings and associated infrastructure (Amended plans)

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to object to this application on the same grounds as outlined in previous comments, adding concerns regarding flood risk. It was also agreed to make a s106 application for funds for the development of the play Area at the Village Hall Field.

- **21/00708/LBC** - 6 High Street, Bottesford

Replacement windows and doors

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

- **20/00962/REM** – The Old Clay Pit, Grantham Road, Bottesford

Approval of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for residential development for 40 dwellings

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA, Council **RESOLVED** to contact the case officer and request a meeting to further discuss the application. If unable to arrange a meeting Cllrs agreed to object to the application on the grounds of; density, not in keeping with the character of the parish, some inadequate gardens and parking concerns.

Planning Issues

231/21. To discuss and agree how the Parish Council should promote and publicise the Neighborhood Plan Referendum amongst the electorate.

Proposed by Cllr BB, seconded by Cllr TB. Council **RESOLVED** to advertise the referendum question, date and location using 20 large posters to be placed at appropriate locations around the parish.

232/21. To provide an update on meetings with MBC regarding s106 applications, specifically in relation to planning application 20/00295/FUL

Feedback has been received from Melton Borough Council regarding the recent application for s106 funds. The Clerk will respond to questions posed by confirming that an attempt to arrange a meeting with the Highways department to discuss the Councils goals regarding road safety and connectivity and addressing the issue of the fair and reasonable test in relation to play equipment.

233/21. Does the Parish Council agree with and support the criticisms put forward put forward by Bottesford Forum of the latest amended Rectory Farm flooding report dated 20-05-21 regarding 20/00388/OUT

Proposed by Cllr BS, seconded by Cllr TB. Council **RESOLVED** to contact the Lead Local Flood Authority and request a full examination of, and report into, flood mapping and modelling currently used to assess flood risk in Bottesford.

Community Issues, Clubs and Societies

234/21. To consider and agree arrangements on how the Parish intends to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

Cllr AA will contact the Belvoir Lions to ask if they have plans and an article will be produced for the Village Voice asking for suggestions from within the parish.

235/21. To receive an update report from the Bottesford Net Zero Group

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA, Council **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** the report and expressed their thanks to the group.

236/21. To agree how to progress the Wildflower Verge Project following management recommendations from NatureSpot.

Proposed by Cllr BB, seconded by Cllr BS. Council **RESOLVED** to ask Cllr LD if he is able to do the recommended work on the verge during September.

237/21. To discuss and agree a response to the application to 'Add a Footpath to The Definitive Map for Leicestershire, From Bowbridge Lane to the A52 Trunk Road, Bottesford (Location Grid Reference: 479700, 338500)'

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr JB. Council **RESOLVED** to fully support this application and to request that the footpath be extended along the old railway northwards to the underpass of the existing railway line, thus linking it to the existing footpath network northwards and back across Rectory Farm as suggested in email by Cllr CD.

238/21. To note and express thanks to Bottesford & District Womens Institute Group for the work they have undertaken to maintain the planter next to the Co-op on Queen Street and the surrounding gardens.

The Council **NOTED** the work undertaken by the Women’s Institute and expressed their thanks. Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to offer to fund a water butt for this area if agreed by the co-operative store.

Communication Matters

None

Road Safety Issues

239/21. To approve Mark Lethbridges’s appointment to the Road Safety Advisory Committee and agree a date to meet with committee members to discuss how to progress road safety projects.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA. Council **RESOLVED** to approve the appointment of Mark Lethbridge to the Road Safety Advisory Committee and to suggest Tuesday 31st August to meet and discuss progressing projects.

240/21. To note the letter to Highways England drafted by the Chair of the Road Safety Committee and approve that this be sent from the Parish Council.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr AA. Council **RESOLVED** to approve the letter with amendments suggested in email by Cllr BM.

Parish Council Management and Strategy Issues

241/21. To agree that the Parish Council writes to Melton Borough Council's Leader/Chief Executive to raise concerns that the Parish Council has not been formally approached or involved in his Bottesford Masterplan project which it is understood is to capture and bring together all the local issues affecting the Bottesford parish.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr JB. Council **RESOLVED** to contact the Chief Executive and Leader of Melton Borough Council.

242/21. To receive an update on the recent meeting with Melton Borough Councillors and agree the process for ongoing communication moving forward.

An update was given and Cllrs agreed to pursue the issue of regular meetings going forward.

Financial Matters

243/21. To agree payments to be made in August 2021.

The Council **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** the accounts for payment. Proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to make the following payments. (There was one abstention due to the document not having been seen).

Payee	Goods/Services	Amount
SSE Southern Electric	Electricity supply to The Old School	£222.39
HMRC	Tax and National Insurance contributions – 1 st Quarter	£896.91
E-on	Electricity supply to The Old School	£31.72
L Greasley	Materials and labour for various jobs throughout the parish including new taps for th allotments, posts at play area, seating for the Skate Park and boards for the MUGA.	£2738.42
Waterplus	Supply and drainage to The Old School	£138.02
Waterplus	Water supply to allotments – Wygggeston Road	£33.06
Waterplus	Water supply to allotments – Rutland Lane	£17.92

Waterplus	Water supply to allotments – Pinfold Lane	£25.38
Waterplus	Water supply to allotments – Mill Dam	£30.97
Richard Hopkins	Hedges cutting on Grantham Road	£600.00
P.E.Hemstead and Sons	Grass Cutting to MBC land	£420.00
P.E.Hemstead and Sons	Grass Cutting to PC land	£1129.02
E-on	Electricity supply to PC streetlights	£99.23
Total Gas and Power	Gas supply to The Old School	£16.28
Time Telecom	Phone and internet charges	£92.35
Espo	Laminating pouches, bin bags and paper towels	£61.05
Staff costs	Salaries and pension contributions	£2151.99
Broxap	New bins for the Skate Park and out the Village Store	£1402.62

244/21. To agree Financial Statements for July 2021

Proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to approve the financial statements (There was one abstention due to the document not having been seen).

245/21. To agree the proposed timescales for the setting of the 2022/23 budget figures, allowing for consideration of any projects that Councillor's may wish to bring forward that will need PC funding, and the agreement of the 2022/23 Precept amount.

The Council **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** the timescales.

Lead Member Reports

246/21. Lead Members Reports

- a. Cllr TB reported some good responses to the recently distributed survey.
- c. Cllr TB will meet with Cllr AA to take her through the process of checking the defibs.
- i. Cllr JB reported that the County Council Library Services Department have informed the library that they do not intend to pay the rent for the library from April 2022. The Library is producing a report and intends to fight this decision.

247/21. Close of meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on 13thth September 2021. The meeting closed at 10.24pm.