



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 13th February 2023 at 7.15 pm at The Old School, Bottesford.

018/23. Public Session

Members of the public in attendance raised various issues including; concerns relating to planning application 22/00399/OUT and questions regarding current and future work in the area of the railway crossing on Station Road.

019/23. Close Public Session and open Parish Council Meeting. (7.26pm)

Members present: Cllr. Bob Bayman (BB) – Chair
Cllr. Leigh Donger (LD)
Cllr. Brian McInerney (BM)
Cllr. Tony Bennett (TB)
Cllr. Anne Ablewhite (AA)
Cllr. Lorraine Ainscough (LA)
Cllr. Jane Bennett (JB)
Cllr. Bob Sparham (BS)

Also present: Mrs. Lucy Flavin (Clerk)
Borough Cllr Pritchett
Borough Cllr Chandler
County Cllr Lovegrove – in attendance from 8.35pm
8 members of the public

020/23. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

None

021/23. To receive declarations of interest under the Councils Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

Cllr LD confirmed his ongoing interest regarding the proposed Solar Farm – Item 028/23

022/23. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th January 2023.

Proposed by Cllr TB, seconded by Cllr LD, Council **RESOLVED** to accept as a true and accurate record the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2023.

023/23. To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda and for report only.

None

024/23. Melton Borough Councillors Pritchett and Chandler to update the meeting on Borough matters.

Borough Cllr Chandler confirmed that Melton will be holding its Council Tax setting meeting next week and that both the Borough and County Council are likely to require the maximum allowed increase of 4.99%. Cllr Chandler also informed the meeting that she had heard that the Melton to Bottesford bus may be at risk (number 23)

Borough Cllr Pritchett provided updates on the planning application on the BOT3 site. Cllrs agreed, as a response to this information, that a workshop should be held to ensure all important issues had been identified to facilitate any further Council action.

025/23. Leicestershire County Councillor Bryan Lovegrove to update the meeting on County matters.

County Cllr Lovegrove informed the Clerk of his intention to be in attendance following meetings of other Parish Councils in the area. This item was deferred until his arrival.

026/23. To receive and note the Clerks report outlining ongoing issues.

Cllrs noted the Clerks Report.

Planning Applications

027/23. To consider the following applications:

- **22/01356/FULHH** - 1 The Paddocks, Bottesford
Proposed side extension, porch and internal alterations.

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

- **23/00014/FULHH** - 6 The Paddocks, Bottesford
Side extension and Garage Conversion

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

- **22/01352/FULHH** - Corner House Farm 45 Main Street, Muston
Convert garage to Granny Annex. Two storey rear extension to replace existing.
Proposed by Cllr LD and seconded by Cllr LA, Council **RESOLVED** to support the application.

- **22/01340/FUL** - 11 Beacon View Bottesford
Proposed Dwelling

Proposed by Cllr LA and seconded by Cllr TB, Council **RESOLVED** to object to the plans on the grounds of lack of information, the importance of the site and need to adhere to the Bottesford Design Code.

- **22/00399/OUT** - Land Rear Of Daybells Farms, Grantham Road, Bottesford
Outline application for the erection of 23 dwellings and associated infrastructure, all matters reserved other than access.

Proposed by Cllr BS and seconded by Cllr TB, Council **RESOLVED** to object to the plans on the grounds of their failure to comply with all elements of Neighbourhood Plan Policy 15; access, flooding, connectivity, water management, protection of right of way and density.

- **23/00038/FUL** - 1 Toll Bar Avenue, Bottesford
Conversion of a detached garage to a commercial business for Dog Grooming.

Proposed by Cllr BM and seconded by Cllr LA, Council **RESOLVED** to object to the plans on the grounds of the cumulative number of businesses in this cul-de-sac and its impact on traffic and parking in the area.

- **23/00077/FULHH** - 26 Riverside Walk, Bottesford
Single storey side and rear extensions to detached family property.

Proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr LA, Council **RESOLVED** to support the application.

- **22/01371/FULHH** - Longridge, Castle View Road, Easthorpe
Proposed extensions and internal alterations to existing residential dwelling.

Proposed by Cllr LA and seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to support the application.

County Cllr Lovegrove joined the meeting and spoke to agenda item 025/23

025/23. Leicestershire County Councillor Bryan Lovegrove to update the meeting on County matters.

Cllr Lovegrove confirmed the ongoing financial pressures faced by the County Council which continues to look to make savings. The Melton Distributer Road is going ahead and residents should be made aware of the long term impact to the road network in and around Melton. Cllrs raised the concern expressed by Borough Cllr Chandler with regards to the future of the bus service between Melton and Bottesford, Cllr Lovegrove will look into the possibility of facilitating a conversation with the service provider.

Planning Issues

028/23. To receive an update on the proposed Muston Solar Farm following a recent meeting with residents of the area and the submission of an independent landscape review.

Cllr BB confirmed that he had met with representatives of the SAVE (Save our Vale Environment) group and has reached out to a planning consultant with regards to the costings involved should the Council agree to seek expert advice prior to the Planning Committee meeting on this application.

029/23. To note, and agree a response to, the offer by Gusto Homes to update the Council on their development programme for the Easthorpe Lodge site.

Cllrs agreed to accept the offer of an update on the programme for the Easthorpe Lodge site, the Clerk will make the necessary arrangements.

030/23. To note, and agree a response to, the invitation from the Melton Borough Council Interim Assistant Director for Planning, Paul Feehily, for 2 representatives of the Parish Council to attend a workshop on Planning matters on 27th March 2023 from 6pm-8pm at the Council Offices.

Cllr LA and the Clerk agreed to attend the workshop on planning matters.

031/23. To note the invitation to a planning workshop to discuss application 20/00388/OUT and agree a date to proceed.

Cllrs agreed to host a planning workshop on the above application on Tuesday 7th March at The Old School, Bottesford.

Community Issues, Clubs and Societies

032/23. To consider for approval the request by Bottesford Football Club that the Parish Council pay half of the costs for the safe removal of the wooden structure on the Victory Commemoration Hall Field at a cost of £850 (Total cost £1,700, waste removal to be provided by Midland Skip Hire).

Proposed by Cllr BB and seconded by Cllr AA, Council **RESOLVED** to approve payment of £850 towards the required work on receipt of invoice.

Road Safety Issues

033/23. To note the updates provided by the Road Safety Advisory Committee and Clerk with regards to the required footpath on Grantham Road from the new Bellway development and agree any further actions.

Proposed by Cllr LA and seconded by Cllr JB, Council **RESOLVED** to contact Bellway and request that they provide a copy of submitted plans regarding the footpath.

034/23. To note the current absence of a School Crossing Patrol on High Street and agree any action.

The Clerk provided an update on this matter.

Parish Council Management and Strategy Issues

035/23. To receive the report regarding the General Power of Competence and to consider for approval the recommendation that the Council confirms that it meets the eligibility criteria for this power, as set out in the Localism Act 2011, and that it adopts this power at the May Annual Meeting.

Cllrs noted the report outlining the General Power of Competence and the Clerk confirmed that this will be on the agenda for the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in May in accordance with Standing Order 5(J)(xii).

036/23. To note, and agree a response to, the invitation from Alicia Kearns MP for the Chair of the Parish Council to attend a Parish Council summit on 3rd March 2023

Cllr BB agreed to attend this summit location and time allowing.

037/23. To note the update from Melton Borough Council outlining the probation service community payback service and to consider requesting support with projects within our community.

Cllrs agreed to request a meeting with a representative of the probation service to discuss this scheme.

038/23. To note the proposed date for the planting of trees on Jubilee Green as 20th February 2023.

The planting date was noted and the Clerk will pass on further details when available.

039/23. To note for approval the proposed amendment of the date of the May Annual Meeting of the Parish Council from 8th May to the 15th May due to the Coronation bank holiday.

This amendment was noted.

Financial Matters

040/23. To agree payments to be made in February 2023.

The Council **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** the accounts for payment. Proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr BS, Council **RESOLVED** to make the following payments.

Payee	Goods/Services	Amount
Barcham Trees	10 x trees and associated mulch and stakes	£1,963.80
Olectrical	Emergency Lighting check and service	£325.00
BT	Phone/internet set up costs	£11.94
E-on Next	Electricity supply – The Old School – Oct-Dec 2022	£435.64
Waterplus	Water supply – The Old School	£52.88
Ryman Stationary	Printer Ink	£68.38
LRALC	Internal Audit Service	£335.00
Waterplus	Water supply – Pinfold Lane allotments	£14.02
Waterplus	Water supply – Mill Dam allotments	£15.98
Waterplus	Water supply – Wyggeston Road allotments	£27.78
Waterplus	Water supply – Rutland Lane allotments	£8.10
JRB Enterprise	4,000 dog poo bags	£70.60
C Kearsey	Cleaning Services	£64.00
L Greasley	Various repairs	£370.00
Npower Business Solutions	Electricity supply – Streetlights (January)	£105.60
HSBC	Bank charges	£10.00
Staff costs	Salaries, pension, PAYE and expenses	£4162.68

041/23. To agree Financial Statements for January 2023

Proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr LA, Council **RESOLVED** to approve the financial statements.

042/23. To consider for approval the results of a recent survey of the Skatepark and the quote of £900 plus VAT for repairs.

Cllrs noted the results of the survey and proposed by Cllr TB and seconded by Cllr LA, Council **RESOLVED** to go ahead with recommended repairs in accordance with the quote provided.

Lead Member Reports

043/23. Lead Members Reports

- c. Cllr TB reported on an event addressing the concerns of relevant councils relating to the upcoming Noisily Festival.
- i. Cllr JB reported that the library has been awarded £2,500 in s106 monies but that this is to be managed by LKCC and used to purchase books.

044/23. Close of meeting

The next meeting of the Council will be held on 13th Marc 2023 in Bottesford. The meeting concluded at 9.30pm.