



COSBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Cosby Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Thursday 18th April 2024 in the Heritage Room, Cosby Village Hall, Park Road, Cosby.

Present: Cllr: V Rye (Chair) Cllr: M Howkins Cllr: M Hillmann
Cllr: H Stevenson Cllr: G Lee Cllr: J Wolfe
Cllr: C Pharoah (arrived 7.10pm apology received)

Also present Mrs S Chapman (Assistant Parish Manager)

Members of the Public: None

24.910 Chairmans welcome

Chairman welcomed those present and remarked on the item on GMTV that morning regarding speeding in rural areas.

Parish Councillors were reminded that the next meeting was the Annual Meeting of Cosby Parish Council and if any one wished to stand as Chair or Vice Chair they would need a proposer and seconder at the meeting.

24.911 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr: S Boocock (Approved)
Cllr: S Wegerif (Approved) Cllr: J Chapman (Approved)
Mr L Phillimore (Parish Manager)

24.912 To receive disclosures of members' interests (i.e., the existence and the nature of those interests in respect of items on this agenda)

None

24.913 To receive and sign the minutes of the meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 21st March 2024.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 21st March 2024 be signed as an accurate record.

Matters arising: -

- a) **Minute 24.900a (b)** – Cllr Hillmann reported that he had not yet received the quote for reinforced turf from Hewitts Sports Turf
- b) **Minute 24.900b (b)** – Cllr Hillmann reported that he had liaised with the resident on flood prevention measures and with the local land owner and a report had been submitted to the Parish Manager.
- c) **Minute 24.905 (a)** – Cllr Rye requested an update regarding holding a one-off lottery at the D-Day event. The Assistant Parish Manager reported that Blaby District Council had confirmed that a licence was not required.

- d) **Minute 24.905 (b)** – Cllr Rye requested an update on costings and specification of gazebos. The Assistant Parish Manager confirmed that 5 Gorilla gazebos had been identified with a mechanism for locking them together to create a larger space for a cost of £1021.

RESOLVED: That 5 Gazebos be purchased with 3 Clamp and Gutter systems at a cost of £1021 to be paid for via the Cosby Recreation Ground Charity Funds.

24.914 To receive and approve the financial reports for the month ending 31st March 2024 including income and expenditure, budget year to date, balance sheet and to record the signing of the bank reconciliation for the same period.

RESOLVED: That the financial reports for the month ending 31st March 2024 including income and expenditure, budget year to date, balance sheet and to record the signing of the bank reconciliation for the same period be approved and signed by the Chair.

24.915 Clerks report (Assistant Parish Manager)

- a) Tender document for the Cemetery upgrade is live on Contracts Finder.
- b) One of the swings had been out of commission for two days this week due to a fault spotted on the weekly inspection. This had now been rectified.
- c) The Cricket Club had requested permission to remove some branches from the trees which were hindering storage of the screens and the erection of safety netting. The Assistant Parish Manager confirmed that permission had been granted subject to receiving satisfactory public liability insurance, Risk Assessment and Competency Certificates before the work commences.
- d) Further Correspondence had been received from Blaby District Council Planning Office regarding the land adjacent to the proposed Jelson build.

RESOLVED:

- a. That Blaby District Council planning department be advised that Cosby Parish Council has no interest in becoming an allotment provider.
- b. That Blaby District Council planning department be advised Cosby Parish Council would CONSIDER a second cemetery/burial area but would need further information before making a decision. Cllr: Rye requested that her vote “against” be recorded.

24.916 To consider any Memorial applications not in compliance with the published cemetery Rules and Regulations.

RESOLVED: Memorial request in the name of Brian and Margaret Starkey with book design and monochrome flower design be approved.

24.917 Correspondence received.

- a) **Email** – National Grid – updated lighting schedule “The Schedule” for The Settlement – Noted
- b) **Email** – Npower – credit notes – Noted.
- c) **Email** – Chairman – Cosby Village Hall – Noted
- d) **Email** – Sensitive interests (Councillors) – Noted
- e) **Email** – E-on – Transfer of Settlement street lighting maintenance – Noted
- f) **Email** – Blaby District Council – Big Tree Giveaway
- a. Cllr: J Wolfe suggested Linley Green as a suitable location and agreed to look into the matter.

24.918 Public Participation – a) Public Speaking Protocol – Requests received by the protocol deadline to be reported by the Clerk to the Parish Council with detail of the agenda item to which they relate. b) The meeting will be suspended to allow members of the public to make representation about items that are not on the agenda. All requests must be made to the Clerk prior to the meeting

No requests received.

24.919 To consider any planning applications listed and any notices received after the publication of the agenda.

No observations made

24.920 To receive any updates on village projects

a) **D-Day Event – Sunday 2nd June 2024.**

Councillors were asked to confirm if they are unable to attend the event. A list of requirements would be sent via email and would they please advise of which roles they (and their family/friends) wished to volunteer for.

24.921 To receive any updates from Working Parties to include: -

a) **Creation of a Policy and Procedure Working Party**

Cllr: C Pharoah & Cllr: V Rye (as Chair) volunteered to be on the working party.

Cllr: J Chapman be invited to join, if not Cllr: J Wolfe volunteered.

24.922 To receive any reports from External meetings

a) **Blaby District Council Parish Liaison Meeting.** Cllr: V Rye and Cllr: G Lee had attended the BDC Parish Liaison Meeting. They reported they had found the meeting very useful to see what issues other parish councils were facing and confirmed their recommendation to continue to attend these meetings.

24.923 To receive any reports from County / District Councillors

a) District Councillor J Wolfe reported that discussions regarding potential issues resulting from the Hinckley Rail Freight were ongoing due to concerns over the level of heavy traffic resulting from the Hub and the impact it would have on the local road network.

There was also concern at the impact it would have on the rail crossing in Narborough.

24.924 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 16th May 2024. This will be the Annual Meeting of Cosby Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 8.13pm