



COSBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Cosby Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Thursday 17th October 2024 in the Heritage Room, Cosby Village Hall, Park Road, Cosby.

Present: Cllr: V Rye (Chair) Cllr: M Howkins Cllr: S Boocock Cllr: J Wolfe
Cllr: H Stevenson Cllr: G Lee Cllr: C Pharoah
Cllr: S Wegerif Cllr: M Hillmann

Also present Mrs S Chapman (Assistant Parish Manager)

Members of the Public: None present

24.1015 Chairmans welcome

Chairman welcomed those present and wished the Parish Manager a Happy Birthday.

24.1016 To receive apologies for absence

Cllr: J Chapman (Approved) Cllr: J Frisby (Approved)
Mr L M Phillimore (Parish Manager) (Holiday)

24.1017 To receive disclosures of members' interests (i.e. the existence and the nature of those interests in respect of items on this agenda)

None

24.1018 To receive and sign the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 22nd August 2024.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 22nd August 2024 be signed as a true record by the Chair.

Cllr: H Stevenson noted that Matters Arising is no longer on the Agenda.

Members requested that this be brought for discussion at the next meeting.

24.1019 To receive and sign the minutes of the meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 19th September 2024.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting of Cosby Parish Council held on Thursday 19th September 2024 be signed as a true record by the Chair.

24.1020 To receive and approve the financial reports for the months ending 30th September 2024 including income and expenditure, budget year to date, balance sheet and to record the signing of the bank reconciliation for the same period.

Cllr: V Rye queries: -

24.1020.1 Cllr: Hillman queried that half of the budget had not been spent. It was reported that most of the high-cost items had not yet been paid for.

24.1020.2 Code 100 - Cllr: Rye queried if the majority of income had been received. It was confirmed that the Precept had now all been received and 72% of expected Cemetery income

24.1020.3 Code 180-4425 Cllr: Rye queried the £48 amount for Litter Picking. Confirmed as the purchase of bin bags.

Litter Picking cover for employee is recorded as Sub Contractors 110-4110

RESOLVED: That the financial reports for the months ending 30th September 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.

Cllr: J Wolfe will review invoices and payments file.

24.1021 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.

None

24.1022 Correspondence received.

24.1022.1 Email – Choose How You Move – Passenger Transport Network Review

Noted

24.1022.2 Email – Julia Harrison – Letter of thanks Re: Jelson Homes, Croft Road

Noted

24.1022.3 Email – Ron Bailey - Battery Safety Campaign

Parish Manager to write and confirm support

24.1022.4 Email – Charity Bank- notice of Maturity

RESOLVED: That £85,000 be reinvested in a further 1-year fixed rate account with the Charity Bank and the remainder to be placed in a more accessible, lower interest rate, account with another financial institution.

RESOLVED: That any account is kept to a balance of £85,000 and a new deposit account be opened to invest the excess from accounts above £85,000.

24.1022.5 Email – Leicestershire County Council – National Highways & Transport Survey

Cllr: H Stevenson agreed to collate Councillors views and complete the survey.

24.1022.6 Email – Formal Complaint – Cosby school parking, Brooklands Road.

Parish Manager contact Highways regarding the problem.

Late Correspondence

24.1022.7 Email – Offer of Sandbags

RESOLVED: Cosby Parish Council decline the offer of sandbags at this time.

24.1022.8 Email – Bulls Head, Cosby request for grant towards Cherry Picker to put up Christmas Lights around the buildings in The Nook

RESOLVED: To offer the Bulls Head a grant of £775 towards the Cherry Picker to put up the Christmas Lights around the buildings in The Nook.

24.1023 Clerks report

Litter bins - increased capacity and relocation of waste bins on Victory Park and village centre.

RESOLVED:

Increased capacity (exchanged) bins to be installed adjacent to the village hall car park (2), Narborough Road entrance (1), path between Victory Park and Lady Leys (1).

The 60 ltr bin in the playground extension be relocated outside the playground on the corner of the old railings near the bench.

Underused bin on the Narborough Road side of Victory Park to be relocated adjacent to the path on the opposite corner to the bin on the Lady Leys path.

24.1024 To consider and note the Council Resolution List

No points raised

24.1025 To consider the recommendations and quotes for Arboreal work

Three quotes received from the five companies contacted

RESOLVED: That Leicester Tree Care be awarded the contract.

24.1026 To consider any Memorial applications not in compliance with the published cemetery Rules & Regulations.

None to consider

24.1027 To consider any planning applications listed and any notices received after the publication of the agenda.

None to consider

24.1028 To receive any updates from Working Parties to include: -

24.1028.6 Children's playground – update from Tenders - continues as work-in-progress.

24.1028.7 Cemetery Working Party

- **Recommendation brought from Cemetery Working Party**

That the family be offered the opportunity to have a memorial plaque placed on the existing bench on Victory Park near the Library by replacing the top slat of the bench and a new bench be purchased and placed elsewhere (to be decided by Cosby Parish Council). All costs to be met by the family.

That the Cemetery Policy to be amended to include Memorial Benches and to state that a maximum of one plaque can be fitted per bench and if to an existing bench the new slat and plaque plus the cost of a new bench and installation must be borne by the applicant. This is to be approved on a case-by-case basis.

RESOLVED: That the above recommendations be approved and the revised Cemetery Policy be brought forward for the wording to be approved.

- **Update from Tenders –** continues as work-in-progress.

24.1028.8 Cosby Village Hall Working Party – No Update

24.1028.9 Creation of the Carbon Net Zero Working Party

Cllr: J Wolfe commented that no training was available on this issue

Cllr: M Hillman stated that he felt the issues were currently more directed to County and district level.

RESOLVED: That the Working Party be dissolved and LRALC be advised that Cosby Parish Council will not proceed with the programme.

24.1029 To receive any updates on Village Projects.

24.1029.6 Remembrance Day Parade

Cllr: V Rye confirmed that recorded music would be paraded through the village as per previous years.

Cllr V Rye confirmed that she would contact St Michael & All Angels church with regard to the service

Cllr: C Pharoah volunteered to read the role of honour

Cllr V Rye made a request for more Marshalls

24.1029.7 Christmas Lights and Street Market 30th November 2024

The Assistant Parish Manager confirmed that the Permit to switch on the Christmas Lights had been received.

Members confirmed that they would like a stall at the event – The nature of the stall to be decided.

Council is advised of a £1,200 labour expenditure for works to Christmas lights.

24.1029.8 Considerations for the 2025 summer community event / VE Day – To be re-tabled to next meeting.

24.1030 To receive any reports from External meetings

No external meetings attended

24.1031 To receive any reports from County / District Councillors

None

24.1032 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 21st November 2024

Meeting closed @ 21.00 hrs.