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MINUTES OF EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING held at the Eastwood Town Council Chamber NG16 3NP on Monday 13th June 2022 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Town Mayor Councillor K. Woodhead

Cllrs T. Aram, D. Bagshaw, Mrs. S. Bagshaw, Mrs. E. Benton, Mrs. K. Boam, M. Bullock, R. Bullock, Ms. J. Foxhall, M. Radulovic MBE. Also present: Nottinghamshire County Councillor E. Cubley, Sheena Trower Town Clerk, Reverend David Stevenson and one member of public.

ETC30/2023 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. M. Hannah, N. Levett & Mrs. R. Woods.

ETC31/2023 Prayers

Reverend David Stevenson gave opening prayers.

ETC32/2023 Variation of Order of Business None

ETC33/2023 Declarations of Members Interests

Councillor Mrs. S. Bagshaw declared a non-pecuniary interest in Allotment Gardens Councillor D. Bagshaw declared a non-pecuniary interest in Allotment Gardens Councillor R. Bullock declared a non-pecuniary interest in Allotment Gardens Councillor K. Woodhead declared a non-pecuniary interest in Allotment Gardens Town Clerk left the meeting at exclusion of public order agenda item 28 Staff matters

ETC34/2023 Minutes

- (a) To Confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Eastwood Town Council 9th May 2022
- (b) To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Arts & Events Committee Meeting held 3rd May 2022

RESOLVED to agree and sign the Minutes as a true and accurate record.

ETC35/2023 To determine which additional items on the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

RESOLVED Item 21 Tinsley Bridge & Safety Issues; 22 Staff Matters.

ETC36/2023 Open Forum

a) Public Participation

One attendee

A member of the public addressed the Council with concerns regarding the structural condition of the premises at the corner of Nottingham Road and Church Street. Correspondence had previously been submitted to the Council with reference to the premises. Cllr Bagshaw reported on the actions taken to date through Broxtowe & Erewash Borough Councils; noted the building was within a designated Conservation area. Some repair work had previously been undertaken by the owners to improve the roof. Restricted access barriers had previously been installed for safety measures but had been removed. Cllr Bagshaw agreed to seek updates from the authorities; County Councillor Cubley also agreed to pursue the concerns.

b) Nottinghamshire Police

Written report received

Apologies for absence due to leave received from Sergeant S. Boyles, who had submitted written reports for Council, providing details of recorded crimes in Eastwood, Eastwood North & Eastwood South to May 2022. Attendance record for next meeting.

c) Nottinghamshire County Council

County Councillor Eddie Cubley

Councillor Cubley addressed the meeting and dealt with the following matters: -

- i. Update on site meeting at Tinsley Bridge 15.6.2022 @9.30 a.m. to deal with safety issues raised by Police & Eastwood Town Council.
- ii. Pavement on Nottingham Road (outside Boyes) repaired.
- iii. Parking time limits update noted.
- iv. Fencing to Kelham Way Eastwood (leading to Mansfield Road) planning development discussed. Land ownership clarification required before existing street furniture on site can be relocated. Cllr Cubley agreed to pursue the matter.
- v. Report of potholes and loose tarmac on Queens Road North; noted works will be carried out. Cllr Cubley had identified 3 areas Queens Road South, Walker Street, and another area to be prioritised.
- vi. The Town Mayor requested inspection of pavements along Nottingham Road, Eastwood, manhole covers raised above pavement level, cobbled area on Mansfield Road required attention.
- vii. Drains issue at Plumptre Way causing water issues.
- viii. Request for Greenhills Road to Mansfield Road rain gulley to be inspected due to issues.
- ix. Survey of roads requested by Cllr Cubley due to new development affecting rainfall on road surfaces.
- x. Woodland Way concerns with several potholes marked for repair but no further action. Cllr Cubley agreed to deal with the matter.
- xi. Water pooling on A610 turn off from B&Q island causing safety issues during inclement weather conditions. Cllr Cubley agreed to deal with the matter.
- xii. Street furniture in a generally poor condition requiring renovation and re-painting work. Councillors offered to inspect the area with Cllr Cubley to note condition and requirements for repairs. Noted.
- xiii. Bus shelter at Nottingham Road, Hilltop outside Stacey's required attention due to water pooling adjacent to the installation.
- xiv. Pavements at Victoria Street require attention near to elderly persons housing complex.
- xv. Inappropriate parking around Victoria Street restricting pedestrian/mobility access along pavements. Noted Police matter for obstruction if pedestrian/mobility/pushchair access restricted.

The Town Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, extended appreciation to Councillor Cubley for his attendance and informative report.

d) Broxtowe Borough Council

Borough representatives

Broxtowe Borough Councillor Milan Radulovic M.B.E. addressed the meeting with the following information: -

- i. Statistics on Broxtowe housing waiting lists. In Eastwood, 835 applicants awaiting housing. Highest needs in the borough reported as Eastwood and Stapleford.
- ii. Freedom of the Borough Regimental March in Eastwood Wednesday 22nd June 2022. Appreciation extended to all who had helped organise the event, details provided. The Town Mayor encouraged Councillors to assist on the day of event.

ETC37/2023 Town Mayor's Announcements

Councillor Woodhead reported on the following matters of interest: -

- a) Broxtowe Job Club meeting held at Town Council Offices 31st May 2022. Noted event to be held at the Eastwood Library.
- b) Attendance to Jubilee Celebrations at St. Mary's Church, Eastwood on Sunday 5th June 2022.
- c) Attendance to Breathe Easy Jubilee Celebration Event 8th June 2022 accompanied by the Deputy Mayor Cllr Boam.
- d) Date for Annual Civic Service 2022 2023 to be finalised towards the end of November or early December 2022.

ETC38/2023 <u>LUF Task & Finish Group</u>

Councillor M. Radulovic updated the meeting on the Eastwood Levelling up Fund bid 'The Healthy Heart of Eastwood' with document circulated detailing the bid within three projects. There was an expectation for the bid to be presented to Broxtowe Borough Council cabinet on 21st June 2022 with Eastwood Town Council formally required to approve the bid prior to submission.

The next meeting of the Group to take place on 16th June 2022 to be attended by Councillors D. Bagshaw, R. Bullock & M. Radulovic.

RESOLVED: -

That subject to confirmation of date, an Extraordinary Town Council meeting provisionally agreed for Monday 27th June 2022 with one agenda item to deal with the Levelling-up Bid prior to formal submission. Closing date for bid 9th July 2022 with a decision expected around September 2022. Reference to the improvements at Beeston noted. Appreciation was extended to Councillor Radulovic for the work undertaken in preparation of the bid.

ETC39/2023 Eastwood Neighbourhood Plan

Discussion on housing needs, both rental and purchase, for the area noted for consideration within the plan, which would be progressed as Levelling up bid submitted.

RESOLVED: - Refer to next meeting.

ETC40/2023 FINANCIAL MATTERS END OF YEAR 2021 - 2022

Copies of all documentation previously circulated to Council.

RESOLVED: -

- a) To receive Payments & Receipts Balance Sheet for financial year ending 31st March 2022 confirmed as submitted 9th May 2022.
- b) <u>To receive Internal Audit Report for Financial Year 2021 2022</u> confirming all matters in order with an effective system in place. Approved the document received and approved.
- c) <u>Annual Governance Statement 2021 2022</u> approved and document signed.
- d) Accounting Statements for 2021 2022 approved and document signed.
- e) <u>Asset Register</u> refer to Assets, Finance & Policy Committee for review for the period 2022 2023 to include noticeboards as assets.

ETC41/2023 FINANCIAL REPORT MAY 2022

- a) Financial Report payments 1st to 31st May 2022 circulated in the sum of £18,196.28 gross.
- b) Financial Report income at to 31st May 2022 circulated in the sum of £1206.16.

RESOLVED: -

That financial report, receipts and payments for May 2022 approved as attached.

ETC42/2023 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- a) Arts & Events Committee Meeting held 31st May 2022. **RESOLVED** Councillor T. Aram appointed to Committee. Next meeting agreed 28th June 2022 at 6.30 p.m.
- b) <u>Assets, Finance & Policy Committee</u> **RESOLVED** amended terms of reference for committee to include budget & precept and removal of personnel approved. Next meeting agreed 28th June 2022 at 5.00 p.m.
- c) <u>Personnel Committee</u> Meeting held 1st June 2022 for report under Exclusion of Public Order Date for next meeting Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 7.00 p.m.

ETC43/2023 <u>CLERK REPORT</u>

RESOLVED: -

- Update by Durban House Charity noted to be provided on signature of premises lease with Broxtowe Borough Council.
- **b)** Noted 40th Anniversary of The Falklands Conflict ceremony to take place at Mansfield Road Memorial Gardens 15th June 2022 with an invitation extended to Council.
- c) Future Airspace East Midlands Airport correspondence circulated and noted.
- d) Eastwood Garden Service first phase of gardening completed with a total of 30 gardens maintained.
- e) Community Litter pick next date for event Sunday 26th June 2022.
- f) 120 Nottingham Road premises fire door improvements completed.
- g) Allotment Gardens site maintenance approved £2625.00 quotation received from Broxtowe Borough Council to October 2022 subject to inclusion of weedkilling of ditch to Derby Road site.
- **h)** Eastwood Town Council newsletter Summer 2022 well received. Cllr Radulovic, on behalf of the Town Council, extended appreciation to the Clerk for the production.

ETC44/2023 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Circulated to Council. **RESOLVED: -** No comments.

ETC45/2023 TOWN COUNCIL VACANCIES

- a) Resignation of former Councillor Mrs. M. Seagrave reported to Broxtowe Borough Council with notices publicised.
- b) Vacancy for consideration of co-option closing date 16th May 2022 with no applications.

RESOLVED: -

- i. That (a) noted and update awaited from Broxtowe Borough Council after closing date for notice 22nd June 2022.
- ii. That the period for applications for consideration of co-option extended for a further three months to 13th September 2022.

ETC46/2023 <u>EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT</u>

RESOLVED: -

That training approved through Broxtowe Borough Council prior to consideration of adoption of updated Code of Conduct 2022.

ETC47/2023 EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL COFFEE MORNING WITH COMMUNITY POLICE

RESOLVED: -

That the event to take place on Saturday 30th July 2022 from 10.00 a.m. until 12 noon at Town Council Offices. Publicised within the newsletter, noticeboards, website, and Facebook.

ETC48/2023 EASTWOOD FESTIVE LIGHTING 2022

It was reported the Town Council had sought quotations for consideration.

RESOLVED: -

Referred to the Arts & Events Committee 26th June 2022 with recommendations to Council meeting 11th July 2022.

ETC49/2023 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Staff left the meeting room during discussion and voting of the next item.

ETC50/2023 PUBLIC ORDERS AND SAFETY ISSUES

RESOLVED: -

Reports noted of concerns regarding requirements to improve safety at the bridge, vehicle issues. Public Order areas noted around the town. Consumption of alcohol on high streets restricted within Order. A report on the outcome of the public consultation would be released by Borough Council in due course. Recommended for report in Town Council newsletter. Additional signage requested advising public of the Order.

ETC51/2023 REPORT OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE 1ST JUNE 2022 STAFF MATTERS

The Chairman of the Personnel Committee presented Committee recommendations: -

RESOLVED: -

- a) That 3 quotations for laptop received. Approved for purchase of new Dell laptop in the sum of £670.00 plus installation.
- b) That financial and general assistant vacancy to be publicised as recommendations.
- c) That confirmation of Town Clerk contract and salary review confirmed in accordance with NALC scales.

Payments authorised 13^{th} June 2022 Minute reference ETC41/2023 (a) & (b)

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361	NVR	Chestnut Garden Services	Garden Maintenance	240.00	0.00	240.00
362	VAT	House of Flags	6 Banner Flags	798.00	159.60	957.60
363	NVR	D Wright	/right Refreshments Civic Service		0.00	25.00
364	NVR	Tenant	Return of Bond and Key	54.00	0.00	54.00
365	VAT	Steve Walters	Stain Window Frames	85.00	17.00	102.00
366	VAT	Steve Walters	Paint Gates and repairs panels	690.00	138.00	828.00
367	E	NALC	Annual Subscription	1713.70	0.00	1713.70
368	VAT	House of Flags	2000 Small Flags	2048.00	409.60	2457.60
369/370	E	Employees	May Salary	2375.96	0.00	2375.96
DD	Е	HMRC	PAYE	713.81	0.00	713.81
371	NVR	Mayor	Mayors Allowance 2021/22	500.00	0.00	500.00
372	NVR	Mayor	Mayors Allowance 2022/23	600.00	0.00	600.00
373	NVR	Cubit Ultrasound	Ultrasound Tests on Lighting	650.00	0.00	650.00
374	NVR	HPJ Bookkeeping	Accounting work	430.00	0.00	430.00
375	NVR	Mayor reimbursement	Cleaning of chamber	90.00	0.00	90.00
376	NVR	Chestnut Garden Services	Garden Maintenance	270.00	0.00	270.00
377	Е	Local Government Pension	May Pension	179.10	0.00	179.10
378	NVR	Chestnut Garden Services	Garden Maintenance	270.00	0.00	270.00
379	VAT	City Hygiene	Sanitary Disposal Unit	273.00	54.60	327.60
380	VAT	Herts County Council	Keyboard and Mouse	40.66	8.13	48.79
381	VAT	House of Flags	Union Jack Bunting	266.00	53.20	319.20
382	VAT	Leisure Lites Ltd	Install and removal bunting	1800.00	360.00	2160.00
383	VAT	Leisure Lites Ltd	6 banner flags	390.00	78.00	468.00
384	NVR	Chestnut Garden Services	Garden Maintenance	270.00	0.00	270.00
384	NVR	Chestnut Garden Services	Garden Maintenance	270.00	0.00	270.00
385	VAT	RS Cleaning Services	Windows	45.00	9.00	54.00
386	NVR	Saanvi	Bunting	110.20	0.00	110.20
DD	L	Scottish Power	Gas charges	187.24	9.36	196.60
DD	E	HMRC	PAYE	815.23	0.00	815.23
DD	E	Water Plus	Premises rates	79.57	0.00	79.57
DD	S	Virgin media	Broadband/phone	62.77	12.55	75.32
DD	S	Fuse	Office 365	69.44	13.89	83.33
DD	E	Nest	Pension	122.73	0.00	122.73
DD	L	Octopus	Electricity charges	322.80	16.14	338.94
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Income May 2022

Allotment						
Rents			741.00			
Rentals			352.52			

		1206.16
TSB 2 interest		12.64
L Leisure refund		100.00

ETC52/2023 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Town Council to take place on Monday 11th July 2022 commencing at 7.00 p.m. subject to call for an Extraordinary Town Council meeting (reference Levelling-up bid).

The Town Mayor closed the meeting at 8.36 p.m.