

Great Ellingham Parish Council  
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council  
held at the recreation centre on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.30pm

In Attendance: Cllr T Betts (Chairman), Cllr P Ewin, Cllr S Mellor, Cllr M Hadley, Cllr N Wilkins, Cllr H Mellor and Cllr N Wishart.

Parish Clerk – Melanie Eversfield, District Cllr S Suggitt and 2 members of the public.

- 1. Open Forum – An opportunity for any parishioner to speak on parish matters and to hear reports from District and County Councillors, if applicable** – District Cllr Suggitt gave a verbal update on the draft budget, local plan and grant money available. She also spoke in detail about the planning application for the poultry farm. She stated that the planning officers are working closely with the Environment Agency and that George Freeman MP is also liaising on our behalf. She will keep us informed of any updates.
- 2. To consider apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Partridge until June 2022, due to personal circumstances. Apologies were also received and accepted from Cllr M Barron. County Councillor Ed Connolly also sent apologies.
- 3. To receive any declarations of interest in any item on the agenda** – Cllr P Ewin – 7c – Prejudicial.
- 4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021** – The minutes were approved as a true record and signed as correct by the Chairman.
- 5. To report matters arising not on the agenda and hear the Chairman’s report** – There were no matters arising.  
Cllr Betts gave the following report: -
  - School crossing – The recruitment of a 2<sup>nd</sup> lollipop person as a temporary measure has received no applicants thus far. However, for the long-term solution NCC Highways have agreed to install dropped kerbs in the new location. A site meeting with the School Headteacher and Governors is planned.
  - Speedwatch – On 19<sup>th</sup> January outside Broadmarsh Farm on Long Street 14 vehicles were recorded exceeding the speed limit. The data from Speed Indicator Device, located on Attleborough Road, has been sent to the Police who have stated that they will continue to monitor the speeding situation in the village closely. This was agreed at a SNAP meeting, in which speeding in Great Ellingham was, once again, confirmed as a priority.
  - West Carr Road and Swangey Lane – As this area is due to join Great Ellingham at the next election, Cllr Betts is keeping a close interest in the ‘goings on’. He gave an update on 3 different planning applications in this area.
  - Advance warning sign on A11 of weight restriction on Wroo Road etc – Highways England have opened a project however the signs are still not in place.
  - Jubilee Bench & Oak Tree – The replacement oak tree has been planted outside the front of the school. The plaque is presently being re-set on a new post, for which there will be a nominal charge. The jubilee bench is in an unsafe place being so near to the roundabout and it was proposed that it be moved to a position close to the Jubilee Oak tree.

**6. To hear of planning decisions and other information:**

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- a) 3PL/2021/1504/HOU – New detached single garage in rear garden – Homeleigh, 62 Long Street, Great Ellingham - APPROVED
- b) 3PL/2021/1552/VAR – Variation of condition (No. 2) on 3PL/2018/1062/F – Change designs and appearance – Rose Farm, Bow Street, Great Ellingham - APPROVED

**7. To consider planning applications:**

- a) **3PL/2021/1673/HOU – Single storey rear extension to dwelling including annex accommodation – 7 Watton Road, Great Ellingham** – *Great Ellingham Parish Council has now had an opportunity to consider the planning application and wishes to raise no objection to the proposals contained therein. However, if new or additional information comes to light then it would appreciate the opportunity to consider this further.*
- b) **3PL/2021/1218/F – New build sustainable home – Land at Bow Street, Great Ellingham** – *Great Ellingham Parish Council has now had an opportunity to consider the planning application and wishes to object to the proposals contained therein due to the fact that it is outside the settlement boundary, the council has severe concerns over flooding and drainage, and has concerns over highway safety. It also believes that this development is an overdevelopment of the site and is not in keeping with the surrounding area.*
- c) **3PL/2021/1631/HOU – Proposed cart lodge/garage/summer house with games room above – 2 Rookery Cottages, Watton Road, Great Ellingham** – *Great Ellingham Parish Council has now had an opportunity to consider the planning application and wishes to raise no objection to the proposals contained therein. However, if new or additional information comes to light then it would appreciate the opportunity to consider this further.*
- d) **3PL/2021/1629/O – Development of site for detached dwelling and garage – Site adjacent to Pear Tree Cottage, Bow Street, Great Ellingham** - WITHDRAWN

**8. To receive and note accounts, budget comparison and bank reconciliation as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021** – Agreed.

**9. To consider and approve budget and precept for 2022/2023.**  
The budget was approved with the precept being set at £9,000.00.

**10. To review and approve Equality Policy, Grant Awarding Policy and Risk Assessment** – Agreed.

**11. To receive an update regarding funding a tea party to celebrate the success of the GE Covid Support Group and present the Lord Lieutenant’s Commemorative Plaque during the party; after which it will be attached to the village sign support** – It was noted that this would take place in the coming months, Covid permitting. Approximately 20 people will attend and a budget of £300.00 would be sufficient.

**12. To receive an update regarding funding a planting scheme, prepared by John Patman, for the roundabout and surrounding verges** – It was noted that a licence to cultivate has been approved. Cllr Betts is in consultation with John with regard to a slight change of design and this will be bought back to the council at the next meeting.

**13. To consider the following payments: -Agreed**

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100695	£212.10	Mrs M Eversfield	January Salary
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**14. To consider items from councillors**

- Wheelie Bin Stickers – it was agreed to purchase 200 ‘Please Slow Down in our Village’ stickers at a cost of £178.00.
- Cllr H Mellor provided a detailed report on the recent SNAP meeting. Items discussed were speeding, anti-social behaviour and engaging with the community more. A pilot is being promoted of a nationwide street safe initiative. You report anonymously on [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) public places where you feel unsafe. The agreed priorities for the next 3 months are anti-social behaviour in Attleborough and speed checks in Great Ellingham. The next meeting will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022.
- It was asked that defibrillators and waste bins within the parish be discussed at the next meeting.

**15. To consider correspondence received:**

- Greater Norwich Local Plan Examination Hearings. Noted
- Norfolk Police and Crime Commissioner Budget Consultation. Noted.
- Norwich Western Link Project Update. Noted.

15. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 to be held at the Recreation Centre commencing at 7.30pm – Noted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm.