

Great Ellingham Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
held at the recreation centre on Wednesday 19th October 2022 at 7.30pm

In Attendance: Cllr T Betts (Chairman), Cllr M Hadley, Cllr N Wishart and Cllr M Barron
Parish Clerk – Melanie Eversfield
3 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 – None**
2. **To consider apologies for absence** –Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs’ P Ewin, S Mellor, H Mellor and N Wilkins. Apologies were also received from County Cllr Ed Connolly and District Cllr S Suggitt.
3. **To receive any declarations of interest in any item on the agenda – None**
4. **To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 28th September 2022** – The minutes were confirmed 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 –**
Cllr Betts presented a report, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes and on the council’s website.
6. **To consider applications for co-option to fill the current vacancy** – It was noted that no further applications had been received. If the vacancy is not filled before December 2022 it will have to be delayed until the Parish Council elections, which are taking place in May 2023.
7. **To hear of planning decisions and other information: -**
 - a) 3OB/2022/0044/OB – 3PL/2017/0265/O – Change to affordable housing scheme, amended tenure split to a 50/50 split, therefore 50% affordable rent and 50% shared ownership – Land to the Southeast of Church Street, Attleborough Road, Great Ellingham – APPROVED.
 - b) 3PL/2022/0518/F – Erection of 7 dwellings & garages – Development site at 602078 & 297027 Church Street, Great Ellingham – APPROVED.
 - c) 3PL/2022/0920/VAR – Variation of condition(s) 2 & 3 on 3PL/2021/1300/F – Amendments to approved plans and materials to include: increased height of garage, installation of solar panels, addition of rooflights to garage and open plan area, bi-fold doors added to garage and a revised facing brickwork – Swamp Farm, Swamp Lane, Great Ellingham – APPROVED.
8. **To consider planning applications:**
 - a) **3PL/2022/1801/VAR – Variation of condition numbers 4 and 6 on 3PL/2019/0421/F – Vary wording of condition – Land off Watton Road, Great Ellingham** – *Great Ellingham Parish Council has now had an opportunity to consider this application and wishes to raise no objection to the proposals contained therein.*
 - b) **3PN/2022/0033/UC – Change of use and conversion of an agricultural building to 5 dwelling/houses (1 larger and 4 smaller) including land within its curtilage – Rookery Farm, Watton Road, Great Ellingham** – *Great Ellingham Parish Council has now had an opportunity to consider this application and wishes to object on the grounds that the proposals are outside of the settlement boundary.*

9. **To receive and note accounts, budget comparison and bank reconciliation as of 30th September 2022** – Noted.
10. **To note receipt of 50% precept (£4,500) from Breckland Council** – Noted.
11. **To note that the Clerk has completed the re-declaration of compliance with the Pensions Regulator for the ensuing three years** – Noted.
12. **To receive an update regarding the Speed watch Letter Campaign** – A lengthy discussion took place in relation to the letters of concern that were sent to Cllr Martin Wilby, Cabinet member for Highways, Infrastructure and Transport. Matthew Lines, Highways Officer, had been tasked to respond to the letters. It was noted that there is a new Road Safety Community Fund that our County Councillor has access to, and County Cllr Ed Connolly has stated that he would support highway projects within Great Ellingham. Two projects were discussed, details of which will be passed to Ed. They were the introduction of ‘pinch-points’ along Hingham Road & Long Street and the introduction of a 40mph speed limit in Higham Road from the Bowsfield development to the Hingham side of the junction to Little Ellingham / Stalland Common.
13. **To consider projects for the Parish Partnership Bid 2023/2024** – A lengthy discussion took place. It was agreed to seek costings for some community speed watch signs to be added to the village gateways. Costings also to be sought for two permanent flashing signs indicating the speed of vehicles on Attleborough Road and Watton Road.
14. **To consider the following payments via standing order: -Agreed**
- | Amount | Payee | Notes |
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| £268.95 | Mrs M Eversfield | October Salary |
| £204.00 | Mr T Betts | Defib Battery |
15. **To consider items from councillors** – There was none.
16. **To consider correspondence received:**
- Breckland Council re. Local Plan Update – Noted.
 - Norfolk County Council re. Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan – Noted.
17. **To confirm the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 23rd November 2022 to be held at the Recreation Centre commencing at 7.30pm** – Noted.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.46pm.