

Lubbesthorpe Parish Council

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Parish Council Meeting

Venue: The Hub, Tay Road. Lubbesthorpe
Meeting Time: 6.30pm Monday 9th May 2022.

Minutes

Present: Cllr Divyang Jagiwala (Chairman), Cllr Ashmore, Cllr Cheryl Cashmore and Cllr Richardson.

Also Present: Lisa Sly (Clerk)

The Council meeting started at 7pm as annual meeting over ran

2022/001 Election of Chairman (and signing acceptance of office).

Decision: Cllr Divyang Jagiwala was voted Chairman by the Council.
He completed the declaration of acceptance of office.

2022/002 Election of Vice-Chairman (and signing acceptance of office).

Decision: Cllr Matt Tomeo was voted as Vice-Chairman by the Council.
Cllr Tomeo did not attend the meeting but sent his expression of interest to the council via e-mail. He will complete the declaration of acceptance of office and e-mail it through to the Clerk.

2022/003 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Tomeo

2022/004 Declarations of Interest.

Cllr Richardson - planning

2022/005 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th April 2022.

Decision: The Council approved the Minutes to be a true record of the meeting held on 11th April 2022.

2022/006 To agree dates for Parish Council meetings in 2022/23 and where to hold them.

Decision: The council agreed to the following meeting dates for the next 12 months.

June 13th

July 4th

August No Meeting

September 12th

October 10th

November 14th

December 12th

January 9th

February 13th

March 13th

April 17th

May 8th

Cllr Cashmore is unable to attend the June meeting

2022/007 Clerk's Report

The Clerk updated the Council on the following topics.

Vacancy

Tracey Anstee has now left the Council. Blaby District Council have now been informed and the Notice of Vacancy has been issued. If an election is not called by the 20th May then the Vacancy Notice will be issued. The Council wishes to thank Tracey for her contribution to the Parish of Lubbethorpe.

Info board for the Orchard

One artwork has been received by the supplier. The clerk has asked for 2 more alternatives to be supplied. There was some confusion as to what the council required but this has now been sorted.

Newsletter

The following changes were requested by council to the proofs recently sent.

Page 1

- Swap intro and future articles around
- Separate intro into intro and achievements
- Put the photos from page 2 onto page 1 put within the text to break it up and the councillors onto page 2.
- Correct spelling of councillors
- Add "Pop in for a coffee and chat with a Councillor at 6pm on Monday 13th June and Monday 4th July"
- In future article change
"Firstly, with the Jubilee celebrations coming up in June, we will be marking the planting of Jubilee Wood with our very own time capsule amongst the newly planted trees on Sunday 5th June at 1pm." To

“Firstly, with the Jubilee celebrations coming up in June, we will be marking the planting of Jubilee Wood by burying our very own time capsule amongst the newly planted trees.”

Page 2

- Text on photos to be a different colour as white too difficult to read

The Councillors and Clerk will deliver the newsletter to the houses of New Lubbethorpe and the newsletter will be posted to the outlying properties. At the moment we cannot deliver to the flats on Tay Road, let them know on FB and leave some in the Hub. It was agreed to order 1000 newsletters as there are now 826 occupied properties on the electoral register.

Band for Christmas

Bands are quickly getting booked up for Christmas. A possible option is a band called Absolute Jukebox who are a 2 piece singing band with guitar. The Clerk is to provisionally book them and the discussion of costing will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Employees holidays

The Clerk reminded Council of upcoming holidays.

2022/008 Report from County and District Councillors.

Report from Cllr Richardson on behalf of Leicestershire County Council.

As I hold the Health and Wellbeing portfolio at County I shall give you some general information for the whole council and then some specifics for Health. I must firstly thank all the staff at Leicestershire County Council, especially Public Health, for all they have done during the Covid pandemic. They worked incredibly hard with business, schools and residents, setting up vaccination centres etc and they are still working hard when outbreaks occur as well as business as usual.

We are facing funding difficulties in the next few years and it is imperative we keep pushing government on the levelling up agenda and fairer funding for the county. We have been prudent and made great savings however it is becoming increasingly difficult to find savings and income. Being one of the lowest funded authorities, we still continue to have an ambitious capital programme 22/23. The council will do its best to deliver it. Obviously with rising costs of materials and supplies is a concern.

The council has produced a Leicestershire Bus service Improvement Plan and are entering into an enhanced partnership with bus service operators. The Covid pandemic is continuing to have an impact on county bus services as patronage levels remain below pre-covid use and also staff sickness/vacancies is also a problem. It is important to remember that the companies are commercial operators and therefore if the services are not used then there is the possibility they are stopped. County are also looking at alternative solutions.

The Leicestershire County Council's Strategic Plan 22-26 was out for consultation early in the year and will be submitted to the County council for approval in May. This is an important strategic planning framework for the council which will ensure that all service plans and strategies contribute to

delivery of the Council's vision for Leicestershire. Also being taken to the May meeting is our Communities Strategy 22-26 which illustrates our commitment to continuing to work with communities across the county.

We have also been consultees regarding the Hinckley Rail Freight Interchange. A response has been sent by the Council with a number of concerns and I can also say that Blaby District Council has also responded strongly about a number of issues.

The council is still working to protect and support those vulnerable people in our communities and Adult and Children's social care are experiencing rising costs and demand. Again, these departments have been working incredibly hard in difficult circumstances during the pandemic and still have great pressures on them and Public Health is still working to minimise the effects of Covid.

The Health and wellbeing Board approved the Leicestershire Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2022-32. This is an important document and requires all partners to work together to deliver this. This also has an overarching focus on mental health, Covid recovery and health inequalities as well as having targeted sections: Best start for life, Staying healthy, Safe and Well, Living and Supported well and Dying well.

We are also working with partners to bring about the ICS (Integrated Care Systems) which focuses on our co-ordinating services, bringing services to neighbourhoods and improving the health inequalities for residents.

For Lubbethorpe specifically I have worked for any resident that has come to me for assistance and continue to offer assistance at parish council wherever possible.

I am also Chair of Planning at Blaby District Council and so we are seeing the applications for various areas of Lubbethorpe coming through from developers.

Please do get in touch for anything I may be able to assist you with. My details are on the Parish website.

I wish you all a fantastic summer and hope you enjoy your Jubilee celebrations wherever you are.

Louise Richardson

Report from Cllr Cashmore on behalf of Blaby District Council.

Blaby District Council offices are now back open, although they will be operating an appointment system for the time being.

The covid testing station is now closed and will be dismantled in due course.

Sadly Huncote Leisure Centre remains closed as monitoring of the site continues.

Now for the more exciting things!

Beat the street is back! This returns for the first time since 2020. Walk, cycle or run across the district to rack up points and win prizes. This proved a very popular activity for all ages before covid, so it's nice to see normality returning to the district.

The new round of Community Grants are open for applications, with special one-off grants for the Commonwealth Games to be distributed. The deadline is 5pm Wednesday 1st June. More information on this and other community grants can be found on Blaby District Council's website.

Blaby District Council are aware of the rubbish left by builders and are investigating.

2022/009 Parishioners Participation.

none

2022/010 To accept the accounts for April and payments for Authorisation.

Decision: The Council approved the cashbook and note the transfer of money between the current account and the reserves account

Budget

Decision: The Council noted the Budget spreadsheet

Payments for Authorisation

Decision: The Council Authorised the payments listed below.

The invoice for the planting of the Jubilee Orchard has come from Mather Jamie as they manage the Drummond Estate. The land on which orchard is planted is owned by the Drummond Estate who kindly enabled this project to go ahead. They required that their grounds maintenance contractor carry out any work on their land. Other quotes were sought for comparison but none received due to the very short timescale for this project (the trees needed to be planted before the end of March).

Payments for approval at May 2022 Council Meeting						
Date	Name	Description	Payments			pay by
			inc vat	ex vat	VAT	
21/04/2022	mather Jamie	Jubilee wood planting and fencing	£8,471.76	£7,059.80	£1,411.96	
30/04/2022	Lisa Sly	Expenses April 2022	£106.96	£94.38	£12.58	
TOTAL			£8,578.72	£7,154.18	£1,424.54	

2022/011 To decide upon responses to planning applications received from Blaby District Council.

none

2022/012 To received and confirm / adopt policies.

Decision: The council re-adopt the following policies

- a) Standing Orders
- b) Financial regulations
- c) Code of Conduct
- d) Complaints
- e) Equality
- f) Grievance

- g) Health and Safety
- h) Risk Assessment Register
- i) Grant policy and application form.

Decision: The council adopt the following policy

- a) Data Protection

2022/013 To discuss the setting up of a Crime Initiative WhatsApp group.

Following discussion.

Decision: The Council decided that it does not want to promote this initiative, if the community would like to set this up then they would be free to do so but should be encouraged to involve the police.

2022/014 To discuss plans for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.

Opening

Cllr Jagiwala will open the Jubilee Orchard at 1pm on Sunday 2nd June. All Councillors are invited.

Time Capsule

Ask Moores if they can burry the time capsule.

Engrave on capsule "Lubbesthorpe Parish Council buried this in June 2022 to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II 1952-2022"

Contents to include: Newsletter. Newspaper - Leicester mercury, photos of before the development, photos at various stages of the development.

Ask BDC, planning if they have photos before the development. Mather Jamie will have maps with farms.

Ask the school to be involved by asking the children to draw a picture of the something in Lubbesthorpe, for example the school, the playground, the orchard.

Select 1 winner from each year group and their picture will be put into the capsule. No bigger than A4. We request that in order to participate the child puts their name and age on the picture. The Council agrees to spend up to £100 on the prizes.

The Council agrees to purchase approx. 6 meters of bunting at approx. £10 to go either side of the gate to the orchard.

Action: All councillors to try and purchase a copy of the Leicester Mercury on Thursday 2nd June

2022/015 To discuss holding regular Council surgeries.

The Council discussed the idea of holding regular drop in sessions so that the public can pop in and ask the councillors question.

Decision: The Council decided to hold these session in the evening. It was decided to hold them once a month on the same evening as the council meeting, at 6pm. One councillor and the Clerk will be there. This will start in June with Cllr Jagiwala and in July with Cllr Ashmore. Clerk to make a rota for other months.

Action: Add a to the newsletter. Advertise on FB

2022/016 To note any correspondence and information from the Clerk.

none

2022/017 Information exchange.

- The Clerk is asked to chase the response from the Drummond Estate regarding a mirror on Isla Drive. Ask LCC if mirrors are allowed.
- Only some grass has been cut in the area near to pond 2 will the rest be done?
- Cars are parking in front of the electric gate for Lubbesthorpe Bridle Way. Ask Drummond Estate to put up sign, do not park as 24hour access required.

21.03 Meeting closed