

**ELTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT
7.00PM ON THURSDAY 6TH JULY 2023
AT ELTON VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT:- Cllr Jackson, Cllr Marsden, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Spreadborough and four member of the public

91.23 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Jackson, Cllr Swindell and Cllr Buckler (DDDC)

92.23 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

There were no variations made.

93.23 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

Councillors were asked to consider any interests they may have on matters on the agenda.

94.23 PUBLIC SPEAKING

It was reported that the directional sign at the crossroads of Sacheveral Lane and Exlowmore Lane where it meets the Winster to Pike Hall Road is broken and needs attention. The Clerk undertook to report the matter to DCC.

It was reported that the Christmas Lights have been stored in the Village Hall.

It was noted that the public footpath sign for the path from Oddo to Dale End has been checked and is in the wrong position. It was also noted that the footpath sign for the path from Woodbine Farm to Dudwood has disappeared.

Concerns were expressed about potholes on Alport Lane and the dip in the road on Main Street. It was noted that these have been reported to DCC and the Clerk undertook to email Cllr Spencer (DCC) and seek urgent attention for Main Street which is in a very poor state of repair.

Discussion took place about the seat which has been removed from Back Lane and it was felt that there was no suitable place to put a replacement.

A vote of thanks was given to the resident who has kindly repaired the damaged area near Elton Old Hall.

95.23 MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st June 2023 were approved and signed by the Chair.

96.23 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the business for the evening

97.23 CO-OPTION TO FILL CASUAL VACANCY

Cllr Marsden proposed that Mrs Janet Hall be co-opted to serve on the Council. Seconded by Cllr Moseley and with all voting in favour, Cllr Hall signed her declaration of office form and joined the meeting.

98.23 CLERK'S REPORT ON ONGOING MATTERS

Re-siting of Grit Bin – No update

Grit Storage Bin – Cllr Moseley to pursue

Policies – Continue to be reviewed

Road Surface/Footpath/Verges condition – Ongoing

Parking – Continues to be an issue.

Pump – To be discussed at a future meeting

Lovedays – To be discussed at a future meeting

Verges - . Cllr Swindell to discuss the matter with Cllr Buckler.

99.23 VILLAGE REPORTS

- (a) VILLAGE HALL – A written report from Cllr Swindell stated that the meters have been read, correspondence address changed, the electricity contract renewed and the fire extinguisher checks carried out. It was noted that a key has not been returned to the keysafe.
- (b) JUBILEE FIELD – It was noted that the Reimbursable Expenditure receipts have been requested. Cllr Moseley reported that he had spoken to a member of the Jubilee Field Committee and informed them that it was never the intention of the Parish Council to undertake the work on the carpark.
- (c) FOOTPATHS, HIGHWAYS, BINS AND VERGES- it was reported that the litter bins in the village are regularly overflowing and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk discuss the matter with DDDC.
- (d) SCHOOL – Cllr Moseley reported on school matters including pupil numbers.
- (e) CHURCH – Cllr Spreadborough reported on Church matters including increasing the number of services, making the church more accessible for people to enjoy holding concerts and fund raising for the tree work which is required. It was noted that Tea, Toast and Coffee continues to be popular and that Forest School is taking place in the croft.
- (f) ELTON ECHO - Former Cllr Mason stated that he was happy to continue organising the printing of the Elton Echo and Councillors thanked him for his help in this matter. It was noted that the list of Councillors needs to be amended.

100.23 DALC CIRCULARS

July 2023 Meet your DALC Excellence Award winners, DALC Day highlights, Election round-up reveals councillor deficit, Our Audit Team needs you, Group buying power brings council energy bills down, Countdown to 80th Anniversary of D-Day, Doing your biodiversity duty, Financial Regulations template review underway, Training

101.23 FINANCE

(a) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

J Jackson	Salary July	£ 127.30
HMRC	Tax July	£ 31.22
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HMRC	Tax August	£ 31.22

(b) INCOME

There was no income.

(c) BUDGET APPRAISAL/RISK ASSESSMENT

The Clerk reported on the current balances, budget and risk assessment.

(d) AUDIT

All forms submitted and acknowledged

102.23 PLANNING

(a) Applications

None

(b) Decisions

None

103.23 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

DCC – Defib campaign

Remedi – Restorative Organisation – Visit PC Meeting request

DCC – PC Liaison

DDDC – Annual Canvas

PDNPA – News

PDNPA – Visitor Centres

PDNPA – Management Plan

PDNPA - Members

Civic Pride – Christmas

104.23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was RESOLVED that the next Monthly Meeting be held on Thursday 7th September 2023 at 7.30pm in Elton Village Hall

There being no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 8.37pm