

# ELKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a meeting held in the Elkesley Memorial Hall on Thursday 16 January 2025 at 6pm

**Present :** Councillors J Skelton, J O'Brien, and L Ashley.

**Others :** District Councillor C Adams and the Clerk and no members of public attended.

### **2218/25) To receive and approve apologies and reasons for absence**

**Resolved.** Apologies were received from Cllrs Stronach, Gilson and Wright, and County Cllr Turner

### **2219/25) To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda**

There were no declarations of interest received

### **2220/25) To receive the Chair's report**

The Chair reported that December had been another quiet month. The Christmas tree would need dismantling over the weekend. Cllr Skelton was still pressing for the High Street defibrillator to be returned by East Midlands Ambulance Service. He wanted to thank PCSO Holly Marsh for the work being done at Crookford to deter off-roaders, and further action to be requested from County Cllr Turner at February's meeting.

### **2221/25) To receive reports from the District & County Councillors**

Cllr Adams reported that he had donated £500 from his Councillor Community Grant to Elkesley Memorial Hall towards an outdoor table tennis table. There has been a change in the head of planning at Bassetlaw District Council, and Alastair Curran will be taking on the Brough Lane case. The possibility of CCTV from BDC to cover Elkesley was added to the agenda for February.

### **2222/25) To suspend the meeting to hold a 10-minute public session**

No members of public attended. Councillors were aware that the dog warden had been called to the playing field over the Christmas period, and was checking the area as a follow up.

### **2223/25) To receive update on the Neighbourhood Plan review**

Cllr Adams had stated in his report that there may be delays due to procedural shortcomings in 2024, but would provide a report to circulate in due course.

### **2224/25) To approve the minutes of the meeting held 18 December 2024**

**Resolved.** The minutes of the meeting 18 December were proposed by Cllr Ashley, seconded by Cllr Skelton and accepted as a true record. **Carried**

### **2225/25) To consider any planning applications or planning correspondence**

24/00384/FUL No change to response lodged in April 2024

24/01369/HSE No objection

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**2226/25) To consider the payments as listed and the financial reports for January 2025**

**Resolved.** The payments and financial reports were proposed by Cllr Ashley, seconded by Cllr O'Brien and approved. **Carried**

**2227/25) To consider adoption of Scheme of Delegation for the clerk**

**Resolved.** A Scheme of Delegation for the clerk was adopted. Proposed by Cllr O'Brien, seconded by Cllr Ashley and approved. **Carried**

**2228/25) To consider details of the nomination for Bassetlaw Achiever**

**Resolved.** The potential nominee had declined the offer.

**2229/25) To discuss erection of a flagpole and other events towards VE Day 80**

**Resolved.** The pole of the Christmas tree could be used as a flagpole, and the clerk is to seek the appropriate consent and licence from National Grid. A Union flag is to be sourced and the school is to be engaged to create a village flag. **Carried**

**2230/25) To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:**

**a. Sports field, play area and BMX safety inspections**

Nothing to report. The clerk is to arrange site visits with play equipment companies to consider an all-weather tennis court

**b. Cemetery**

Nothing to report. The water barrel should be sorted by March. The council is to consider a designated area for cremated remains

**c. Defibrillator inspections**

As stated in the Chair's report, the device from High Street has still not been returned.

**2231/25) To receive highways and service faults**

Reports had been made regarding debris on the roads again, resulting in the sweeper being called out. Several streetlights had been reported and are now working again.

**2232/25) To consider Bassetlaw District Council Spring Clean 2025**

**Resolved.** It was considered that a village event in warmer weather may be more successful, and the possibility of a June litter-picking event will be discussed at April's meeting.

**2233/25) To arrange a date for defibrillator and CPR training from Retford Lions**

**Resolved.** A session on Wednesday 26 February is to be requested from Retford Lions, with an overflow date of Monday 3 March as an alternative session. Times to be shared with residents once the hall has been booked.

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**2234/25) To receive items for information only**

The clerk reported receiving a letter from Elston PC regarding reducing speed limit to 20mph.  
This will be discussed with County Cllr Turner at next month's meeting.

**2235/25) Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 13 February at 6pm

**The Chair ended the meeting at 7.45pm**

**Signed**

**Chair**