

## LEICESTER FOREST EAST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 in the Reg Neal Committee Room, Parish Hall, Kings Drive, Leicester Forest East, commencing at 7.00pm.

**Present:** P. Linnett (Vice-Chairman) D. Di Palma R. Darlison  
L. Dracup C. Lawrence P. Fox

Mrs H E Mann – Clerk to the parish council

- PTH 19.56 To receive apologies for absence** – Councillors Kitchen and Deacon sent their apologies. Accepted.
- PTH 19.57 To receive Disclosures of Interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct** – None.
- PTH 19.58 To adjourn the meeting to receive Questions from the Public** – None.
- PTH 19.59 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July as a true record** – Councillor Linnett stated that it had not been him who had suggested Enderby town council were not interested in attending the bi-monthly Lubbesthorpe meetings, the Clerk amended the minutes. Councillor Fox proposed, Councillor Lawrence seconded. Carried.
- PTH 19.60 To discuss matters arising from those minutes:**
- (a) Possibility of bi-monthly meeting with Braunstone Town Council to discuss matters relating to the impact New Lubbesthorpe is having on our parishes.** – Councillors Fox and Di Palma confirmed they will attend the meeting on behalf of Leicester Forest East parish council. Councillor Di Palma explained that a Tuesday or Wednesday would be most suitable as Braunstone town council hold their meetings on a Thursday evening. Councillor Fox stated that Braunstone town council are keen that these meetings go ahead, he also asked the Clerk to contact the Clerks at Enderby town, Kirby Muxloe parish and Lubbesthorpe parish councils to arrange a suitable date for the first meeting. Councillor Fox also stated that there will be no need to minute the meetings as they are informal. *Clerk to set a date with Councillors Fox and Di Palma and then invite the other councils.*
- PTH 19.61 To discuss Planning Applications received for observations:**
- (a) 19/0789/OUT – (deadline extended) – Outline application for residential development of 137 dwellings with associated access (all matters reserved except means of access) on land off Hinckley Road, Adjacent to Leicester Forest Rugby Club, Kirby Muxloe, Leicestershire;** - Councillor Dracup suggested reiterating some of the points that Kirby Muxloe parish council had raised in their comments on the application, specifically:

“This new proposal, as it stands, would mean that there would be two new access and egress points on the A47 within a very short space of each other. It is our understanding the Highways England have previously stated that they would not allow any further direct access roads on to the A47?”

This new scheme, in our view, would turn the Beggars Lane/A47 junction into a major junction very similar to Desford crossroads. This would have major

implications for increased through traffic using the Barry Drive estate as a 'rat run' and thus the mounting safety issues are of considerable concern to us."

The council unanimously agreed.

Councillor Linnett proposed adding a comment on the parish council's concerns over the additional traffic the development will add to the A47. The committee unanimously agreed. *Clerk to action.*

- (b) 19/1076/FUL – Construction of new meeting hall (use Class D1) with associated access, car parking and landscaping, including demolition of existing bungalow at 162 Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest East; - No Comment.**
- (c) 19/0984/HH - Two storey rear extension and demolish existing conservatory, 7 Somerfield Way, Leicester Forest East; - Councillor Lawrence declared in interest as this property neighbours hers. No comment.**
- (d) 19/1068/HH – Two storey side extension, 12 Priory Walk, Leicester Forest East – No Comment.**
- (e) 19/1012/HH – First Floor Front Extension, 112 Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest East; and – No Comment.**
- (f) 19/0386/DOC – Application to discharge Condition 6 (Lighting and CCTV) in respect of planning permission 18/1083/VAR at 164 Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest East. – No Comment.**

**PTH 19.62**

**To discuss planning application decision notices:**

- (a) 19/1905/FUL, 99 Hinckley Road, Leicester Forest East, change of use from hairdressers (class A1) to Class D1 to allow for use as a Learning Hub; - Noted**
- (b) 19/0757/HH, 24 Guinevere Way, Leicester Forest East, front extension and porch and conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation. – Noted.**

**In addition, to discuss what the Planning Committee wish to do in future regarding decision notices.** The committee decided unanimously that they want the Clerk to report any planning application decision notices to them at the Planning, Trees and Highways committee meetings, stating whether they have been approved or rejected.

**PTH 19.63**

**To discuss the need for a Licence, under S. 178 of the Highways Act 1980, in order to put Christmas Decorations on the Public Highway. *Clerk to action.***

**PTH 19.64**

**To discuss the quote received for Christmas Trees with solar-powered lights and to confirm the date of November 28<sup>th</sup> for the official Christmas lights switch on. –** The committee unanimously agreed to the date of November 28<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas lights switch on. Councillor Darlison proposed accepting the quote for solar-powered Christmas lights, once the licence mentioned above at PTH 19.63 has been obtained, Councillor Fox seconded. Carried. Councillor Darlison advised the Clerk to contact Kirby Muxloe parish council's clerk to see if they use the licence. *Clerk to action.*

- PTH 19.65**      **To discuss the possibility of putting up a Christmas Tree outside St. Andrews Church.** – Councillor Darlison proposed and Councillor Fox seconded. Carried. Councillor Fox suggested the Clerk liaise with Councillor Kitchen to link the Christmas Tree's lights are linked to the Church's electricity supply. *Clerk to action and order tree.*
- PTH 19.66**      **To discuss LUC's request for the parish council's help completing the 'Settlement Character Assessment' as part of the District's Local Plan.** – No Comment.
- PTH 19.67**      **To discuss The News Release 'Garden Village Status awarded in Blaby District'.**  
– Noted.
- PTH 19.68**      **To discuss District Councillor Coar's email regarding the possibility of Beggars Lane being made into a Cross Roads.** – dealt with at point PTH 19.61 (a) above.
- PTH 19.69**      **To discuss the MVAS installation and training on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019.**  
– Councillor Fox will try to attend the second part of the training. Councillor Darlison asked the Clerk to establish whether the MVAS company will come out at another date and give the training on another date if we paid them to. *Clerk to action.*
- PTH 19.70**      **To discuss Leicester City Council's draft statement of Community Involvement 2019.** – No Comment.
- PTH 19.71**      **To discuss the Neighbourhood Development Plan.** – Councillor Fox explained that there is still a lot of work to be done on the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Councillor Dracup proposed delegating the Neighbourhood Development Plan to Gary Kirk of 'Your Locale', Councillor Lawrence seconded. Carried. The committee unanimously agreed to fund this work from the contingency fund. *Clerk to action.*
- PTH 19.72**      **Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.03pm.