



**MINUTES OF SILEBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
THURSDAY, 15 JUNE 2023 AT 6.30PM AT SILEBY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor J Jones (Chairman)  
Councillor A Higgs  
Councillor N Matlock  
Councillor S Gerrard

Councillor R Butler  
Councillor M Matlock  
Councillor T Cox

**NOT PRESENT**

Councillor E Jones (Apologies received)  
Councillor M Wilson-Knight (Apologies received)  
Councillor J Walker (Apologies received)  
Councillor Major K McRae (no apologies received)

**IN ATTENDANCE**

County Councillor Mr R Shepherd (up to and inc Min No 049/23)  
Borough Councillor Mr G Lawrence  
2 members of the public  
Mrs R Richardson - Clerk

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**038/23**

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE BY COUNCIL**

**RESOLVED** to accept and approve apologies from Councillors E Jones, J Walker and M Wilson-Knight. Apologies received from Borough Councillor Faye Ford

**039/23**

**TO RECEIVE DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS FROM MEMBERS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

None received

**040/23**

**CLERK'S REPORT**

I have forwarded to all members an email from Leicestershire County Council giving details of an online survey about [proposed changes to the 2015 Local Flood Risk Management Strategy](#). This consultation runs from 5 June to 13 August and is open to all residents. It has been advertised on the website and the Facebook page.

I have forwarded the email from LCC Members and Liaison Communities Manager to councillors re the online seminar (Friday, 30 June 2023, 10:00 am till 12:00 noon) on the process of developing the Local Nature Recovery Strategy in Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland.

In future, agendas will no longer be delivered, they will be emailed to members. A hard copy will be made available at the council meeting.

#### **041/23**

##### **POLICE MATTERS - INCLUDING CRIME FIGURES AND REPORT FROM POLICE, IF IN ATTENDANCE**

The Beat Report for May was circulated to councillors. During the month of May 2023 Sileby had 1 x Vehicle Crime, 2 x Assault, 13 x Criminal Damage, 5 x Theft, 7 x Public Order, and 1 x Burglary Residential reported. These figures do not include private domestic related incidents or harassments.

No other significant crime patterns have been identified. For more detailed data, please visit <https://www.police.uk/>

#### **042/23**

##### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public reported that he was experiencing anti-social behaviour from the children's play area on the park (football going over his wall and the children climbing over to retrieve it). He asked if the council would consider putting up netting to prevent this happening. The Chairman said this was a police matter.

#### **043/23**

##### **TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1 JUNE 2023**

**RESOLVED** To accept as a true record and these were duly signed

#### **044/23**

##### **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(a) To note the Income

**RESOLVED** To note the Income in the sum of £5,626.75

(b) To approve the Expenditure

**RESOLVED** To approve the Expenditure in the sum of £25,353.93

(c) To receive and consider a cost of £677.11 to repair the boiler or to consider replacing it

This quote refers to the Glow Worm Boiler in the Community Centre. Councillor Higgs reported that it is very old and so it was **RESOLVED to** obtain quotes for a replacement.

#### **045/23**

##### **TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS IF IN ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Lawrence reported that the planning application re the Land off Cossington Road has been called in to the Plans Committee. Also looking in to when the bungalows on St Mary's

Road can be brought back into occupancy. A meeting to take place next week with Councillor E Jones to discuss the Sileby Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillor Shepherd mentioned the Centrebus and Vectare bus timetables; this will be covered in Minute No 048/23. Councillor Higgs asked Councillor Shepherd about when the weed spraying will be taking place in the village as to date it has not been done. Particularly bad under the railway bridge.

#### **046/23**

#### **TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED OR REPORTS RECEIVED – FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

Councillor Butler reported on the meeting with the Environment Agency on Monday, 12 June with Councillors E Jones and K McRae and Borough Councillor Lawrence in attendance. The EA are looking to make some upgrades to the outdated equipment of the river level gauges and sirens in our area. They are considering removing the sirens and migrating to an Environment Agency Flood Warning Service; they would like the public to sign up to this service particularly those areas most affected. The EA will carry out a lot of publicity, and go knocking on resident's doors.

#### **047/23**

#### **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE PROJECT PARK! WORKING PARTY**

Councillors J Jones and A Higgs, plus the Clerk had a virtual meeting on Thursday, 8 June with Cara Baker to discuss the MUGA tender; the tenders received will be presented at the next council meeting.

#### **048/23**

#### **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE KINCHBUS 2 SERVICE AND APPROVE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Chairman reported that LCC has been notified of two local bus service registration changes which will result in additional public transport provision to Sileby. Vectare recently started operating one return trip on a Sunday from Loughborough to Leicester, covering the pre-September 2022 route of the Kinchbus 2. They have now registered to extend this to seven days a week from 16 July 2023, adding additional journeys.

LCC has also received notice of Centrebus' registration of a new service from Barrow upon Soar to Leicester, via Sileby, Cossington, and Birstall with effect from 26 June 2023. This will provide three off-peak daytime journeys to Leicester (Monday-Saturday) and one journey returning mid-afternoon. The timetable actually provides two further journeys from Leicester to Barrow, but these will operate directly along the A6, missing out Cossington and Sileby.

The Chairman reported that we are no longer entitled to a Demand Responsive Transport system so the meeting planned with the Safe & Sustainable Travel Team will not take place.

**049/23**

**TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER COMPLETING AN ONLINE SURVEY RE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE 2015 LOCAL FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

**RESOLVED** To approve Councillors Butler and Wilson-Knight completing the online survey on behalf of the Parish Council

**050/23**

**TO APPROVE BANNING THE USE OF TYRES, BY ALLOTMENT HOLDERS, FOR WHATEVER REASON, AND TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT TO REFLECT THIS CONDITION**

**RESOLVED** To approve the ban of tyres and carpets and to amend the Letting Agreement, accordingly. To make it clear that anything they bring on to the allotment has to be removed at the end of their tenancy.

**051/23**

**CONTENT FOR NEWS ARTICLE**

Nothing

**052/23**

**TO REVIEW ACTION STATUS REPORT**

This was reviewed.

**053/23**

**FUTURE PLANNING**

Removal of the water trough at the cemetery (Councillor A Higgs)

**Meeting closed at 7.10 pm**

Chairman's Signature: .....

Date: .....