

# Minutes of BOTHAMSALL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023 commencing 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

**Members present;** Chair Hynes, Councillors Eaglen, Davis, Woodcock, Stothard and Ogle

**Apologies for absence;** Councillor McCombe

**Members of the public;** None

**Declarations of interest;** None

**Minutes of the meeting held 13 July 2023;** No amendments. Proposed as a true & correct record by the Chair, Seconded Councillor Woodcock – all voted in favour.

Councillor Eaglen will upload to Bassetlaws website

## Matters Arising from the previous minutes

15/001 Highways - Require repairs to footbridge.

Former Clerk has sent extensive details of the problem, with photos and a google earth locating plan. The council has repeatedly raised the problems but have had no response.

Councillor Woodcock will contact the footpaths officer at the county council. If this does not get a response then implement the below.

Councillor Eagen will review the minutes and prepare an email to further inform the county council that after several attempts BPC would have to leave it with them and shan't be held responsible if there is an accident (BPC to stop asking on this matter).

15/002 Interest Groups/Feedback  
None

15/003 Fly Tipping  
Councillor McCombe reported a large amount of builders' rubble and other household contents which were set alight to the council. It has now been removed.

15/022 Neighbourhood Watch  
A new WhatsApp group for the village including parish council and neighborhood watch. Councillor Stothard has discussed with Pete Mitchell; no problem handing it over, Councillors McCombe & Stothard have volunteered to be admin.

17/009 Method/Risk assessment & Health and Safety  
No updates

21/014 Budget Update  
Income July/Aug. VAT £110.57 NCC £200.00 Grass cutting grant for 2022 £394.44  
Expenses July/Aug. £780 grass cutting.

23/002 Risk assessment to Parish Hall car park  
Ongoing

23/006 Adult replacement batteries for the Defibrillators  
Chair has three quotes, defib store is the cheapest. Councillor Stothard is investigating if a donation can be secured. Chair to forward existing quotes to Councillor Stothard.

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Running well. ROB are collecting weekly. A free service.

23/008 Asset register review

Advice has been sought as to how to record assets value. Items are NOT devalued yearly, they remain what they cost.

21/004 Grass cutting grant

Last years grant received £395.40

### Agenda

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Council went on to discuss other options like chicanes (none in Nottinghamshire), speed cameras, police enforcement (difficulty in a suitable place for speed guns, but outside Chair Hynes' house has been suitable previously)

Suggested we should investigate widening pathways to prioritize pedestrians over road traffic; Narrower roads are thought to naturally slow vehicles and the pavements are not wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair or parent and child walking side by side safely etc. Councillors asked to give it some thought.

Ask Police what else can be done.

Council members thanked Councillor Ogle for help over the past years in securing rumble strips.

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Contact from the external auditor through NALC. All councils must have an email account, (Bothamsall has one). All Councillors can access however only Councilor Eaglen currently does because it has two stage security.

NALC suggests that it should be a .gov address, however there is a cost and currently the Bothamsall Gmail account is free. It is an 'ideal', but not mandatory. The main focus is thought to be that you don't use your personal email addresses for council business.

### **Financial Payments**

July / August grass cutting between meetings £780.

Transfer payment Zurich Insurance £196

Transfer payment Chris Moody (coronation) £226.11

### **Plans**

Springfield holiday lodges. Response between meetings – no objection.

Plans to erect Stables in Haughton parish. Response between meetings; object on the basis the size of the plot cannot sustain the number of horses potentially housed by the proposed stable, suggesting this would not be used as a stable.

Changes to Traveler Site planning application 23/01047/FUL . Draft provided by Chair & read to council. Included development does not sustain or enhance the character of the local area; poor vehicular access, lack of facilities/ services in the local area, but within a five mile radius ample traveler pitches are already available. To be shared by email.

### **Correspondence**

Sent out by email.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7:30pm

**Meeting closed:** 21:14

**Signed**



**Date**

16 Nov. 2023

#### **Reminder Agenda Items**

- Dates for 2024 APM date to be agreed for some time in May & AGM second Thursday in July 2024
- Budget setting to be included on agenda for January 2024 meeting
- Defib batteries