



Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on
Monday the 1st July 2024 at Cottam Community Centre Haydocks Lane commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Brown, Butler, Casterton, Coward, Smith,
Whitham, Lambert, Rayfield, Gibson and Parker

There were two members of the public present

42/24 To receive apologies

Cllrs Abram O'Donnell and Jewell

43/24 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13th May 2024 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th May 2024 should be signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record

44/24 To receive Declarations of Interest

None

45/24 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public discussion

The meeting was adjourned

It was mentioned that some ponds were suffering from green algae. The Council are aware that this is a regular event and are talking to an aquatic specialist to enquire as to what might be done.

A resident asked whether this Council knew when the PROW between Cottam Way going through the new housing development opposite the post box was to be re-opened. Unfortunately, the Council are not aware as PROWs are managed by LCC. It was thought that it was unlikely to be opened until the development was fully completed and the contractors had moved off site.

A similar enquiry was made regarding a PROW between Hoyles Lane and Cottam Way. Previous enquiries had indicated that this PROW would be slightly re-routed and not opened until both housing developments on either side of it were completed.

The meeting was reconvened

46/24 To approve the following payments:

23/04/2024	GGs LENGTHSMAN TEAM	1	2360.00
23/04/2024	G THOMPSON LENGTHSMAN TEAM	2	532.50
23/04/2024	BG FENCING LENGTHSMAN MATERIALS	3	78.70
23/04/2024	ZURICH MUNICIPAL INSURANCE RENEWAL	4	567.24
23/04/2024	S FITZPATRICK LENGTHSMAN TEAM	5	652.50
02/05/2024	INFORMATION COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE DATA REGISTRATTION	6	35.00

09/05/2024	GGs LENGTHSMAN TEAM	7	1360.00
09/05/2024	COTTAM CA ROOM HIRE	8	35.00
09/05/2024	PRESTON CC - JUBILEE TREE PLANTING – NOT INVOICED 2023	9	800.00
09/05/2024	SANDRA WISEMAN INTERNAL AUDITOR	10	182.00
20/05/2024	GGs LENGTHSMAN TEAM	11	1008.00
20/05/2024	G THOMPSON LENGTHSMAN TEAM	12	600.00
20/05/2024	SANDERSONS GRASS CUTTING	13	732.00
20/05/2024	A BARTLETT LENGTHSMAN TEAM	14	360.00
20/05/2024	S FITZPATRICK LENGTHSMAN TEAM	15	648.00
20/05/2024	AT CROSS LENGTHSMAN TEAM	16	600.00

It was resolved that the payments referred to above should be approved

47/24 To receive the enclosed costings in respect of the Canberra Memorial enhancement works as outlined in the report presented at the April meeting and confirm that the existing budget of £6500 should be allocated to this revised project and decide which company should be appointed to carry out the statue enhancement works

It was resolved that the existing budget as detailed above should be allocated to the revised project and that Thompson Dagnall should be appointed as the contractor to undertake the statue enhancement works.

48/24 To consider the enclosed list of potential projects that might be undertaken using CIL funds and to decide which projects should be taken forward for further investigation; appointing such working groups as appropriate, who should then make further enquiries relating to costs, specifics and design etc and submit a full report to a future meeting for consideration with recommendations as to how the project might be delivered.

It was resolved that the projects listed below should be carried forward for further investigation by those appointed at this meeting and as also detailed below. It was further resolved that those appointed should provide a full report covering costs, specifics and design etc to future meetings for consideration and formal approval.

- 1. Refurbish the War Horse opposite Cottam Community Centre – The Clerk will deal with this initially by making enquiries of the sculptor who undertook part of the work initially.***
- 2. Enhance the pond opposite the Ancient Oak, the one near the pelican crossing on Cottam Way and the one on Valentines Meadow – The Clerk will obtain quotations from Aquatic Services who dealt the pond by the cross on Cottam Way***
- 3. To investigate the provision of Welcome Signage / Feature / Entrance Artwork to Lea, Cottam and Lea Town – Cllrs Butler and Lambert (Lea) Cllrs Gibson and Smith (Cottam) Cllr Rayfield (Lea Town)***
- 4. Clean all Stone Statues in Cottam – Cllr Coward***
- 5. Additional post toddler age Swing and Replacement Fall Matting to playground area Jubilee Park – Cllr Butler and Clerk***
- 6. Drainage Dodney Drive Round Green – Cllrs Brown and Whitham***
- 7. Enhancement of Miller Green facilities including raised beds – Cllrs Casterton and Coward***
- 8. Additional Bulb and Tree planting - Cllr Rayfield (Lea Town) Cllr Whitham (Lea) Cllrs Gibson and Parker (Cottam)***
- 9. Planters by bus stops on Blackpool Road – Cllrs Butler and Lambert***
- 10. Replant Garden Areas around Cottam Community Centre car park – Clerk and Lengthsman Team***
- 11. Additional Planting on Jubilee Park to mask existing fencing – Cllr Butler and Clerk***

12. Purchase and locate Defribulators in Parish – Cllr Lambert

13. Replace several old wooden Benches – Clerk and Lengthsman Team

14. Re- stone path by canal – Clerk and Lengthsman Team

15. Provide Information Boards along canal – Cllr Parker

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