# BYGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

#### A meeting of Bygrave Parish Council was held in the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 commencing at 8pm.

Present: Cllr. P Hills (Chairman) Cllr. C Phipps Cllr. J Northern

Mrs K Clark (Clerk)

**In Attendance:** District Councillor Tyson and Country Councillor Jarvis

#### **1.** Apologies for absence

None

#### 2. To approve and sign the minutes of meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Approved

#### **3.** To seek to co-opt Councillor vacancy

No current interest

#### 4. Finance report and payments

Church rent payment 2022 £100.00

CPRE membership 2023 £60.00

Clerks Backpay SCP annual increment £416.64

Clerks office allowance increase not claimed March 21 -22 £120.00

Clerks office allowance annual payment March 22 -23 £240.00

*NB* £20.00 per month to be added to salary for future payments.

#### 5. To approve Planning applications as notified by the District Council

None notified

## 6. Updates on Baldock Expansion.

Urban and Civic are working with NHDC and are meeting with the Balock Bygrave planning group then will hold meetings with all interested parties.

Expansion will unlikely be joined to Bygrave village but no decisions have been made and the preparation of drawings are being done.

## 7. Update on solar farm

With local elections coming up in May the next phase of the consultation will be after elections and will be over Highways and archaeological.

## 8. Speed – update on recent issues

Request made for 20MPH speed restrictions/ traffic slowing measures.

HCC investigation and designs request – County Councillor Jarvis will check budget.

## 9. Bench replacement on footpath top of the P footpath

This will be progressed in the Spring

## **10.Farrs Festivals**

District Cllr Ton Tyson met with the management and viewed the plan for the warm up festivals but with ticket sales being low viability of holding the events is being explored.

## 11.Cutting verges lower village and Heritage verge

Steve was thanked for getting the bottom village verges cut.

It was noted that the Heritage Verge marker is missing on the south side. A resident offered to contact the wildlife trust to see who is responsible to maintain this.

## **12.District and County Councillors**

Country Councillor Jarvis reported the Weedon Way drainage works is scheduled and the link bus will still run at 2200 and 2300 hours.

District Councillor Tom Tyson reported that the Solar farm application will likely be progressed in the summer once submitted.

#### **13.**Correspondence

Circulated via email

- Following the theft of screws from the bus shelters will be replaced.
- Low water pressure will be reported to the waterboard by Phil
- Phil will circulate a Spring newsletter

## 14. To confirm date and time of next meeting

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 8PM AGM and annual meeting