

HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 14 March 2023 at 7.30 pm.

Present Cllrs C Grunstein (Chairman), G France, C Egerton-Smith, A Hodgson and M Osborne.

23.20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor A Crompton.

23.21 Declarations of Interests

None received.

23.22 Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 January 2023

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

23.23 Public Participation

No issues were raised.

23.24 Planning Matters

Details of two applications for the Black Lion Field (Land next to 190 Blackburn Road) and Land off Paradise Street which are the subject of appeals to the Planning Inspector were provided. The Parish Council's objections to both applications are registered. Regarding the Black Lion Field, concerns are to be raised relating to the timing of the data collection for traffic reports and the impact of additional traffic on local roads, with particular regard to the future increase in traffic generated by the major mixed use development at the nearby Botany Bay Mill site. Concerns regarding potential traffic issues on Heapey Road are also to be raised in connection with the Paradise Street application.

23/00038/FUL Erection of 5no. detached dwellings and garages, following the demolition of existing buildings at Lower House Fold Farm, Trigg Lane

23/00080/CLPUD Application for a certificate of lawfulness for a proposed detached outbuilding at Shackerley, Tithe Barn Lane

Councillor Egerton-Smith, as owner of a property in the vicinity of the application address, declared a non pecuniary interest in the following items:

23/00189/FULHH Two storey rear extension and landscaping in order to facilitate provision of raised garden terrace (following demolition of existing rear conservatory) at Eagle Tower Farm, Chapel Lane

23/00190/LBC application for listed building consent for a two storey rear extension (following demolition of existing rear conservatory) at Eagle Tower Farm, Chapel Lane

Councillors had no objections to these applications.

23.25 Financial Matters

i) Resolved: the monitoring statement was received and signed by the Chairman.

ii) Resolved: the following payments were approved:

£ 42.00	Easy Websites	Monthly fee - March 2023
£ 100.00	Heapey Parish Church	Room hire
£ 2.91	Npower	Christmas lights electricity
£ 40.00	LALC	Councillor training
£ 1806.66	Wheilton Parish Council	Play area/War Memorial expenditure
£ 1016.73	Staff costs	Salaries, reimbursements and deductions
£ 42.00	Easy Websites	Monthly fee - April 2023

23.26 Risk Assessment

Councillors completed the annual review of the risk assessment in accordance with guidance within the publication Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance Practitioners' Guide 2022. The existing procedures and controls were found to be adequate.

Resolved: the adequacy of the existing controls was noted.

23.27 Reports from Outside Bodies

Eastern Parishes Neighbourhood Area Meeting - improvements to the White Coppice layby were agreed as a Neighbourhood Priority. Lancashire Constabulary had requested details of suspicious vehicle activity in the rural areas, particularly possible drug related activity.

23.28 Date of Next meeting

Tuesday 2 May 2023.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.