

EAST BRIDGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5 September 2016 AT 7.30 PM IN THE METHODIST CHAPEL

Present:

Chaired by Chairman Cllr P Clarke

Cllrs , D Atkins, D Meylan, P Bancroft, R Hunt, N Hall, T Norman, J Turner, M Verner.

Also present:

Mrs J Barlow (Clerk)

Mr E Temple (Deputy Clerk)

Mr C Turner

1. To make Declarations of Interest in any matter on the agenda

Cllr Clarke as an officer of the Bowls Club.

Cllr Atkins on the Community Plan and Springdale Wood.

Cllr Strutt on matters relating to the Academy and the Pre-School Group.

Cllr Hunt on matters relating to the Wharf and the Marina.

Cllr Norman on matters relating to Fraser Brown solicitors and to Brooks Close.

Cllr Sharma on matters relating to the Horticultural Society committee and the Community Plan committee.

2. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr T Strutt, Cllr S Sharma. County Cllr Cutts and Borough Cllr Lawrence

3. To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 1 August 2016 and when approved to sign them as a true record.

Resolved:- to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1 August.

Proposed by Cllr Turner , seconded by Cllr Bancroft and all in favour.

4. To consider (members of the committee) the minutes of the final meeting of the Pavilion and Fire Committee held on 6 June 2016 and when approved to sign them as a true record.

Deferred to October meeting

5. To receive reports on matters arising from the minutes (not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda) and to answer questions from Councillors

5.1 Gravel extraction at Shelford

Nothing further to report

5.2 The village website

The Deputy Clerk was asked to update previous guidance for what goes on the village website. Now that the separate OneDrive system is running, this should be progressed. Further consideration should include implications of putting financial information on the village website and whether minutes of all committee meetings should go on the village website.

The Clerk reported that she is looking at providing financial information for the website in more detail before any further action can be considered.

5.3 Replacement of the signpost at the Trent Lane/Kneeton Road junction

No further progress was reported.

5.4 Hedges on 107-109 Main Street

The Deputy Clerk has made renewed enquiry of Development Control and waits a response.

5.5 Community Plan Group

The consultation has now closed. Reports expected in October.

5.6 The inter-active speed sign on Butt Lane will be repaired shortly.

5.7 Arrangements for formal liaison with Nottinghamshire Police, following a recent reorganisation. Cllr Bancroft has drawn up a letter with all outstanding unanswered enquiries for the Clerk to despatch on Parish Council notepaper to the Police Commissioner. This has been done and the reply from the police was circulated to cllrs on 31 August

5.8 Parking issues near Medical Centre. No great improvement so far.

5.9 Community Speedwatch

To be a rolling agenda item every March, June, September and December. The initial training has been completed.

6. To receive public comment (the meeting was adjourned for the duration of this item)

6.1 Mr Clive Turner suggested improvements to the recording of council meetings and it was agreed that this be examined further in conjunction with the issue of appointment of a minutes secretary. It was agreed that no minutes should be published until they have been approved by the Parish Council.

6.2 Sports Club pavilion extension

Discussed here but recorded at item 11.

7. To receive the Chairman's Report

This had been circulated prior to the meeting and is attached as an Appendix to these minutes. This was unanimously supported by all cllrs.

8. To consider and make recommendations on planning applications and receive RBC decisions

The Parish Council considered the following applications:-

PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED in August

16/01980/FUL

Mr and Mrs McCabe

2 Lammas Gardens

NG13 8LQ

First floor side extension

Windows overlook 2 gardens and there is a 1.8m brick wall proposed on the boundary. Objection.

16/01983/FUL

Mr D Filton

109 Main Street NG13 8NH

Two storey rear extension, dropped kerb and off road parking space; fence and gates rear dormer.

This is the end dwelling of the 4 dwelling terrace and the last to be improved. Numbers 105 and 107 have had extensive improvement. The proposal for 109 is markedly different to these, the owner wishing to have a strong separate identity.

Fortunately this considerable variation, like the recent ones, is not visible from the road or generally. The application includes a pavement crossing to give access to the front garden as a parking space. It may be possible though exploring an alternative, to conceal a vehicle at the side of the house and to restore some of the lost hedge. Also to restore some of the front garden. It was suggested that as the new owners appreciate the Parish Council's concern, the Borough should see if an improvement is possible. Exploring this should not delay the grant of planning permission.

16/01817/FUL

Mr Robert Shaw

The Old Hall, Kneeton Road NG13 8PG

Proposed new dwelling within the grounds of the Old Hall following removal of swimming pool.

1. The Council supported the agreement in the pre application consultation that "the Pavilion type structure would be an acceptable addition to the grounds of this listed building". The high quality of the pavilion design benefits from the pre application consultation.
2. The success of the whole composition depends on the overall setting, relying on the shared use of the lawn and its surrounds. It is considered that it is essential for the control of the outlook over the area and its perimeter to be under some sharing arrangement with the owner of The Old Hall.
3. The setting of the Old Hall and Pavilion would benefit from the care, attention, and analysis the Pavilion has received. A "Capability" Landscape enhancement would complete the whole development .

4. It was suggested that the application be amended to include all the elements, namely The Old Hall, the new pavilion, dwelling and central area.
5. Adjustments needed are the North boundary to the Hall is incorrect, and the entrance to the new approach drive is far too acute and restricted.
6. The Parish council suggested the application be amended to include an improved open space and its surrounds.

16/01956/FUL

Mr and Mrs Ferrar

81 Kneeton Road NG13 8PH

Alterations to the windows on the front elevation , additional roof light and sun-pipe.

No objection.

16/01577/FUL

St Peter's Church of England Academy

Kneeton Road NG13 8PG

Single storey flat roof extension to existing Academy to SE elevation of existing classroom block to provide 3 new classrooms and associated facilities

Observations made were:-

1. Access to the site for building works is not possible without agreement from neighbours but details have not been provided.
2. The new elevations and materials do not reflect the rural locale.
3. Some of the interior alterations will need external elements which will be visible eg roof-lights, (ventilating) in new toilets, and are not shown.
4. Clear 'before and after' drawings would help an assessment.
5. No landscape scheme has been submitted despite the apparent loss of a number of fir trees and needing proper protection of the remaining trees.
6. The developer would be prudent in consulting the Geological Institute on the possible effect of underground gypsum mining which did not finish in this area until after 1945.
7. The Council and the residents of the village are much concerned at the possibility of an increase in pupils needing to be transported as a major traffic difficulty already exists. The traffic overcrowding, particularly at the lower part of Kneeton Road, is at times of much concern and has become increasingly hazardous. It should be possible to have a no stopping zone to prevent parking too near the school entrance; plus a collection and drop off zone available at the right times. Nottinghamshire County Highways Department has the means to improve the use of this part of the village.
8. Rainwater disposal by connection to the main may well cause the existing system to fail.

9 Until these issues are resolved, the Parish Council wished to file a formal objection to this application.

201616/01882/FUL

Mrs Molly Wood

25 Main Street NG1 8PA

refurbish existing outbuilding into annex

The Council had no objection to the planning application but wished to make the following observations:

1. Car parking location and standing not shown. Any gate required?
2. Double hedge 2 owners, the hedge to no 25 may have to be removed to assist car parking.
3. Route to car park area not shown
4. Necessary footpath to entry from car park not shown
5. Levels of existing land and new buildings required.
6. Fascia and gutters to new building shown as pantile boarding, the profile used on the house would aid the integration of new build on the house.
7. Window and door finish should be as the house.
8. The semi flat and sheet materials and glazing not clear
9. Brick and slate to be agreed with planning
10. A design and access statement explaining conversion need can assist understanding.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED OR REFUSED during August 2016

16/01412/FUL

John Whitworth

5 Kneeton Road NG13 8PG

Single storey front extension

Permission granted, but as the proposed extension may well extend on to Parish Council land, it was agreed that Cllrs Meylan and Atkins will take this up with Mr Whitworth

16/01454/FUL

Eddie Argyle

2 Cherryholt Close NG13 8PP

2 storey side extension, single storey front and rear extension, detached garage

Permission granted

16/01088/FUL

St Peter's Church of England Academy

Kneeton Road NG13 8PG

Proposed modular classroom building

Permission granted

16/01129/FUL

Mrs Caroline Phillips

35 College Street NG13 8LF

Single storey side extension; pitched roof to existing garage, alterations to existing porch and front elevation.

Permission granted.

16/01378/FUL

Duncan Ritchie

2 Brooks Close NG13 8LZ

Single storey rear extension

Permission granted

16/01447/ LBC

Alister Robens

4 Kirk Hill NG13 8PC

Reconstruct garden wall

Permission granted

Decisions yet to be made by RBC on the following

16/00766/CLUPRD

Mr Jonathan Kerry,

Land NW of Lammas Farm, Kneeton Road

Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed siting of caravan for purposes ancillary to the agricultural use of land

16/01556/TPO

Graham Rodger

4 Bramley Close NG13 8QR

Crown Lift walnut tree

9. **Finance**

(a) –(b) To receive the Statement of Account to 31 August 2016 and approve and sign the Schedule of Payments for July.

RESOLVED: To accept the Statement of Account to 31 August 2016 and the Schedule of Payments for September 2016

Proposed by Cllr Turner, seconded by Cllr Hall and all in favour

(c) Cheques were drawn and signed accordingly.

The Statement of Account and Schedule of Payments is attached as an Appendix to these minutes and had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

(d) To receive the RFO's Report

Internal audit completed and all in order – report passed to Chair to countersign

Insurance renewal discussed and agreed to remain with Aviva via Came and Co and to sign up to a Long Term (3 year) agreement.

The RFO passed a copy of the August 2016 bank statement to a Cllr for checking and if agreed, signing off.

Resolved (after checking):- that this be approved.

Proposed by Cllr Atkins, seconded by Cllr Bancroft and all in favour.

10. To discuss length of meetings and delegation to committees.

To be referred to the Executive Committee.

11. To receive a report from the Playing Field and Pavilion Committee and consider recommendations regarding:-

a) the Trim Trail.

It was agreed that the Council could not make an order yet because the locations proposed for the equipment need to be discussed with the Sports Club. Beyond that, no decision was made. Even assuming that grant funding is immediately available, the ground surface will be wet and spongy for a winter installation. Cllr Atkins recommended that this be not placed on the left side of the field, as one enters from College Street, but behind the metal screen near the Bowls Green which was generally agreed subject to the Sports Club being consulted on the details of the placement, even though it would not be on land to be leased to the Sports Club. The Playing Field and Pavilion Committee has already been delegated authority to make the final selection of the exact site for each equipment item.

The updated quote is at £8774.50 + VAT for supply and installation and **Resolved** that the August minutes be read subject to this correction. Proposed by Cllr Atkins and seconded by Cllr Turner and all agreed.

It was reported that 16 trees in the area of the proposed Trim Trail behind the metal screen near the Bowls Green should be crown-lifted at a cost of £895. No VAT. **Resolved** that this quote be accepted. Proposed by Cllr Atkins seconded by Cllr Turner and all agreed.

b) The proposed transfer of ownership of Butt Close from Notts CC to the Parish Council

Resolved that the Council proceed to purchase the playing field at Butt Close for a nominal consideration, a peppercorn or £1, and that Fraser Brown solicitors be instructed to act on behalf of the Council at a fee of £1500 plus VAT and out of pocket expenses such as search fees and land registration fees. Proposed by Cllr Turner, seconded by Cllr Hall and all agreed.

A knock-on effect was discussed in that this will involve the Parish Council in costs of mowing the grass and trimming the hedges. The Clerk reported that she had spoken to Mark Walton and obtained a provisional estimate of £1000pa for a mowing budget. Hedge cutting at current rates is around £100pa but could rise, dependent on how much work is required. It was hoped that the Sports Club would make an annual contribution to this.

c) the administrative arrangements for the public meeting on 14 September.

The Village Hall has been booked for a start time of 8pm and the meeting has been advertised. A slightly raised platform will be provided for the meeting's Chairman, Borough Cllr Lawrence, and the Deputy Clerk is to do a risk assessment in the usual way. It is to be an open forum where residents of the village can express and exchange their views. The Deputy Clerk had been asked to prepare a "facts sheet" to be made available on the night, he has done so, and after submitting it to the proposed chairman of the meeting, Borough Cllr Lawrence, so that he is aware, to run off 50 photocopies for handouts.

The PC is there to listen and consult. There will not be a public vote. The agreed topic is limited to discussing "use of the pavilion". Nothing else.

Mr Clive Turner has still not acknowledged receipt of the paperwork supplied pursuant to his Freedom of Information Act request.

d) the proposed firework event on 3 November by the Academy

Not enough information has yet been provided to give consent, but the Deputy Clerk will follow this up. It should be brought to the attention of the Academy that there is a restriction on bringing vehicles on to the sports field in winter and this may affect transportation of the fireworks.

The Tenant shall not allow except in cases of emergency any motorised vehicle of any type to be brought on or stand on the Property between the months of October to March in each year PROVIDED THAT the Tenant shall be permitted to bring onto the Property such appropriate vehicles as are required to comply with the Tenant's obligations as to repair in this lease and PROVIDED FURTHER THAT the Tenant is entitled to permit temporary parking if this is required to allow access for disabled persons to the Property or for emergency vehicles.

12. To discuss matters relating to the Sports field and the pavilion

a) damage to cricket outfield

The Parish Council had already authorised immediate repairs by Notts CC in the interest of public health and safety at a cost of £1200 + VAT plus £270 for weed spraying at the same time. It had been hoped that the village Horticultural Society would notify its insurers about the £1200 + VAT that the Parish Council was paying in this emergency, without admission of any liability on the part of the Parish Council but it was reported that such notification still seems not to have been done by the village Horticultural Society.

Cllr Turner reported that the newly seeded areas on Butt Close were starting to grow better.

b) format of lease

It was reported that the format of the draft lease had been provisionally agreed with the Sports Club, subject to it being agreed by the Council's solicitors Fraser Brown. But this has been put on hold pending the public meeting on 14 September. There may be further alterations needed if there is to be a mowing contribution to the PC.

d) electrics

Cllr Turner reported an Independent Condition Survey of the Electrics had been carried out by Oglesby's and the findings were that the Installation was unsatisfactory. This report has been passed to the NICEIC for comment and reporting to the original Contractor, Cllr Turner is still awaiting a response from the NICEIC to make a ruling on the installation.

f) . To consider proposals from the Sports Club regarding the proposal to extend the Sports Pavilion

Nothing further to report yet.

g) Fire and health & safety risks

A Fire Risk assessment for the use of the Pavilion has been completed, A Health and Safety risk assessment needs to be completed. The Deputy Clerk was asked to progress this.

h) It was reported that Travellers (or Romanies) had left occupation of the area near the Butt Lane flyover but a reminder was given that the gates of Butt Close should be kept firmly shut and locked whenever not in actual use, to help prevent a repeat visit on the Sports Field. The Deputy Clerk said that he had already passed this message on to the Sports Club Secretary.

13. To receive a report on the play area and consider quotations for any remedial work required

It was reported that the timber at the base of the pole at the end closest to the field entrance, needs to be replaced because it is rotting. There were concerns about the zip wire also. This could all cost a lot of money and Cllr Turner had been asked to check with the original contractors (Playdale and Killingley) as to existing guarantees by the contractors and this had not yet been clarified by them .

14. To consider the request to place a Chamberlain Memorial Seat on Butt Close.

This was agreed and that the Council would pay for the installation and fitting work as it would become a Council asset.

15. To receive an update regarding Springdale (Millenium) Wood lease

Proposed management agreement of the Wood by the Wildlife and Biodiversity Group.

Cllr Atkins will send a revised draft to the Deputy Clerk for any comments, as and when one is received.

16 To consider timetable for tree inspections under the Parish Tree Management Policy

As a land-owner or tenant, it was noted that the Council has a responsibility to manage the trees on its land. A full survey was carried out by qualified consultants in May 2013, and the report's recommendations were adopted as a management plan later that year. In the meantime, further monitoring or work has been carried out on those trees which needed it, including felling where

necessary and subsequent replacements (the Car Park trees were re-inspected in 2014 as part of this work).

Since it is 3 years now since the first inspection, and this was the recommended time period for further formal monitoring, it was resolved that the Council invite the consultants to carry out another full survey. Proposed by Cllr Atkins, seconded by Cllr Bancroft and all agreed.

17. To consider matters arising from the review of parish documents to include queries on the Sports Club lease, mowing of the field, the Wharf registration (confidential item) and insurance items

Review of parish agreements and procedures had been put on temporary hold until the issues on the sports pavilion and sports club lease had been resolved. The pavilion has been refurbished but there are still issues about use of the pavilion and the matter of the sports club lease. But generally ongoing, being dealt with, in a limited quantity each month

Sports Club lease. Nothing further to report

Mowing the field. This continues at County Council expense in accordance with the lease. The playing field is being mowed in the usual way at least those bits that are not damaged and in need of repair.

Freehold of playing field

Nothing further to report.

Wharf registration,

confidential item

The water discharge from the bank above the Marina access track

Confidential item.

18 To consider the terms of the loan to the Pre-School Group

Deferred to next meeting

19 To receive an update and recommendations on the proposed appointment of a minutes secretary.

No applications had been received yet. The closing date is Friday 16th Sept

20 To receive a report on matters on the monthly list of outstanding issues

Outstanding Issues August 2016

Date	Issue
October 08	Double yellow lines around the village being reviewed. Sports club Lease – being negotiated with sports club via Fraser Brown
Wharf Lease	solicitors dealing with the Land Registry application re the Wharf Lease
August 14	52 Kneeton Road Replace Tree - 14/00875/TPO
October 14	Seats to be Re-varnished around Village

- February 15 Waste bin to fitted outside pavilion. Check siting with Sports Club.
- August 15 Trim Trail – Fitness equipment – see item 11 (a)
- August 15 Cuttle Hill project –Deferred to later in 2016
- August 15 Hedges at 107 – 109 Main Street- Deputy Clerk taking up with planners
- December 15 Improved footpath around Butt Close – review as part of trim trail

21. To consider whether there are any consultation issues arising from the agenda

21.1 The proposed Trim Trail can be revived now that the pavilion repairs have been done. See item 11(a), consultation with Sports Club on that , consultation with Sports Club on proposed fireworks event on 3 November and with the Sports Club on the siting of the replacement waste bin near the pavilion.

22. To consider whether there are any insurance/risk assessment issues arising from the agenda

22.1 Risk assessment needed for public meeting and for the proposed fireworks event on 3 November. A Health and Safety pavilion risk assessment needs to be completed. The Deputy Clerk was asked to progress these.

A Fire Risk assessment for the use of the Pavilion has been completed.

A Risk Assessment is needed for parish assets, and a schedule created of when the routine inspections should take place.

This almost certainly needs consideration on an asset by asset basis, probably by small groups or individuals looking at each asset. The list of Parish assets is on OneDrive. There should be annotated against each asset of when these need to be inspected and how often, (eg play area weekly, trees less often) and a risk assessment for each. Then a separate inspection register recording the date and time of each inspection. The only leased assets are Butt Close and Bridgford Street (from the traffic lights on the A6097 to Brunts Lane, inside the hedge). Deputy Clerk to progress.

Should there be a special Risk Assessment on the phone box? It was reported that one was done 3 years ago and there is no change. The electrical check on the Defibrillator in the phone box has been completed and is reported to be satisfactory.

Insurances

22.2 Wharf roadway

Review insurances.

22.3 Lease to Sports Club. Nothing further to report as yet.

Action. Insurances and liability position to be checked out when the lease to the Sports Club and the subleases to the tennis club and bowls club are in final form. After the lease is in place, responsibility for these Butt Close items are intended to be passed to the Sports Club, who will need to regularly update them as needed. But the Sports Club had already been told of the need to insure its own contents at the pavilion, and it was believed that this had already been done.

22.4 Use of playing field for events by non-sports club members.

All users of the field for events and sporting activities (if allowed to use the Property for a permitted event), must in future give to the Sports Club, prior written confirmation that there are adequate insurances in place for risks connected with the required proposed activity.

22.5 Lease of Millenium Wood.

Review insurances. £5m cover for third party and public liability is requested by the Woodland Trust for the Council to take out.

23 To receive reports from Committees

None

24. To receive and consider reports from the Clerk

a) Fallen tree by Marina. Jane Baines at Notts CC is trying to contact the landowner , no progress so far.

b) Standing Orders.

The Clerk is processing a revision of standing orders. These probably need substantial updating, in particular with regard to press being admitted to meetings, and public procurement issues. Clerk to progress.

c) website policy and content

The Deputy Clerk had been asked to update previous guidance for what goes on the village website. Now that the separate OneDrive system is running, this should be progressed.

Further consideration should include implications of putting financial information on the village website and whether minutes of all committee meetings should be placed on the village website.

d) progress with use of OneDrive

Some cllrs are trained, some are not yet. The Clerk is populating OneDrive which is a very lengthy process. Contents of minutes etc will be on the village website when approved by cllrs and published.

e) Proposals from the users of the easbtridgford.net domain names is awaited and no further action is required at the moment.

25. Matters for report

25.1 The dropped kerbs on pavements on Main Street which upset the pavement configuration for wheelchairs has been reported to County Highways. Clerk to write again to County Highways

25.2 Mrs Pickford has asked Rushcliffe BC for a dog bin in Springdale Lane. The Borough Council have declined and said that cost of installation of a dog bin would be £300 + VAT plus £4 fee + VAT per empty. To be considered further.

25.3 Cllr Norman advised that the hedge on Cross Lane has been replanted.

25.4 A number of footpath hedges need cutting back. This has been reported online to the County Council.

25.5 Cllr Atkins reported that a tree at the corner of Springdale Lane and Brunts Lane needs attention. Cllr Hall to investigate.

25.6 Cllr Norman reported that the prizes for the Allotments were first prize to Mr Whitehead, second prize to Mr Gardner and third prize to Mrs Crawford. A report will be given to the next meeting on prizes awarded for floral displays.

25.7 Cllr Turner reported that there is a forthcoming AGM of the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils (NALC) and it was agreed that he should attend and represent the Council

25.8 It was reported that Vale First Responders Group is recipient of a Queen's Award for voluntary service. It provides a first response service to medical emergencies as directed by East Midlands Ambulance Service, NHS trust or any similar organisation.

25.9 It was reported that 300 more Welcome Pack explanatory leaflets should be printed to add to the 200 already printed for the village car park. These are going fast and clearly there was an unmet need. All agreed.

26. Correspondence for information only

None

27. Crime and Disorder Act 1998

The Deputy Clerk reported on the provisions of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

S.17 Duty to consider crime and disorder implications.

(1)Without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it, it shall be the duty of each authority to which this section applies to exercise its various functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent, crime and disorder in its area.

The Deputy Clerk reported that in his view there was nothing that was decided at this meeting that would be likely to have an adverse effect on prevention of crime and disorder in the Parish

The meeting closed at 9.32 pm.

Chairman

Date

Chairman's report, September 2016

Community Road Safety (CRS) Training

A possible location on Main Street near Ludgate Drive has been identified, and subject to Police approval, the first use of the new equipment is likely to take place sometime in September.

In the meantime, a fault has developed in the permanent interactive speed sign opposite the medical centre, in that it significantly under-represents actual speed (in my personal experience, the display showed 18mph when the actual speed was 29mph.) Since part of the purchase included a service 'guarantee', this has been reported to Notts County Council for repair.

British Legion – East Bridgford Women's Branch

This month, a lunch is organised by the above Branch, which has always proved popular amongst older residents. Unfortunately, this year's event is going to be the last, since the Branch has decided to disband. This is the result of an imposed national policy to stop having separate branches, and, I am told, the outrage caused by the way it has been done. The EB Branch is not alone in this – the issue has been reported in national newspapers in recent weeks.

The women of the British Legion have been involved in the two Remembrance events in the Parish for over 80 years, and have been responsible for significant fund-raising over the years, including Poppy-selling. It is a great shame that this is coming to an end.

Tree Policy

As a land-owner or tenant, the PC has a responsibility to manage the trees on its land. A full survey was carried out by qualified consultants in May 2013, and the report's recommendations were adopted as a management plan later that year. In the meantime, further monitoring or work has been carried out on those trees which needed it, including felling where necessary and subsequent replacements (the Car Park trees were re-inspected in 2014 as part of this work).

Since it is 3 years now since the first inspection, and this was the recommended time period for further formal monitoring, it is proposed that we invite the consultants to carry out another full survey.

Community First Responders

Councillors may recall the talk given by Peter Winter of Newark First Responders Group earlier this year, and the wish of the Group to recruit from and for East Bridgford. This group of volunteers works to support the rural community by responding to a medical emergency where ambulance arrival times may be longer than elsewhere. Peter has contacted me with the good news that two residents have come forward and will be trained this autumn. He is also proposing, subject to their Trustees' agreement, that it may be helpful to formally establish an East Bridgford Group and asks for our support in this.