At the Meeting of Breaston Parish Council held on Monday the 8th of July 2024 which commenced at 7.15pm at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

Present:

Councillors Fisher, Elliott, Salt, Crannage, Mounsey, Patrick, Wells, Miller, Parkinson & Beeching
5 members of the public
Cllr Fisher in the Chair.
Cllr Fisher welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming. A minute silence was held in memory of former Parish Council Chairman Julian Rose who had sadly passed away this morning.

Police Session

PCSO Coggins had sent a crime report for June.

Crime Report June: Breaston

50 recorded incidents resulting in 12 recorded crimes and 12 Non-crime related incidents
4– Violence related
2- Shoplifting
3– Public Disorder
1- Stalking/Harassment
2- Criminal Damage

Incidents of note:

2 x Shoplifting
23/06 The Green
29/06 The Green

2 x Criminal Damage

16/06 Longmoor Lane
26/06 Wards Lane

3 x Public Disorder

05/06 Orchard Close
09/06 The Crescent
17/06 Derby Road

Notes from PCSO

I hope everyone has continued to enjoy the good weather over the last month it seems summer has truly arrived. Of course, this has unfortunately had the downside of having the troublemakers start making appearances in and around the village in time for summer holidays. We have been cracking down on the ones we can fully identify with two more Anti-Social Behaviour Letters being sent out as a result of poor behaviour in the village. On the whole however, outside of a few larger incidents on Derby Road that unfortunately ended up making the statistics seem worse than they were in reality. However, I have to end this report with the news that this will be my last. I was informed the day before I am writing this that I am being moved on from Long Eaton Rural and thus will no longer be working within the village. This was not my decision; I would have loved to continue working in the village and helping out. Gemma will take over all my duties going forward, and you will now also have PC Molly Teasdale, she is definitely an upgrade if you ask me, so you will still have two officers working in the area. While my time was somewhat brief, I have enjoyed being your PCSO and I wish everyone the best and good luck with the future.

It was agreed that PCSO Coggins had been a really useful addition to the team and that he would be missed around the village.

Presentation relating to Rewilding.

Cllr Fisher confirmed that unfortunately Mr Bramwell was unable to make the meeting this evening and that it had been resolved to organise a separate meeting to discuss the issue, Clerk to publicise in due course.

Public Session:

none

Reports from outside bodies:

none

29/24 Apologies for Absence –

Cllrs Mills & Wrigglesworth and PCSO Coggins.

30/24 Declaration of Members Interest –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none.**

31/24 Dispensations –

to report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with S31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

32/24 Approval of the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10th June.

It was PROPOSED and SECONDED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 10th of June.

33/24 Correspondence

none

34/24 Clerk's Report

None.

35/24 Finance Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd of July 2024 at 8.45am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Summons

2. Public Session: none

3. Present:

Cllr Mills (Chair) Cllrs Beeching, Mounsey, Fisher, Patrick, & Elliott

Also Present:

Cllrs Salt, & Wells

Apologies:

Cllrs Miller & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none.**

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

6. Staff Appraisals

It was RESOLVE to note that the sessions will be undertaken on the 10th of July.

7. Nat West Savings Account

It was RESOLVED to note the information circulated by the Clerk and to approve the opening of a savings account with Nat West to maximise the interest gained on Parish Council Funds. Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

8. Bank Balances as at 30.06.2024.

Current Account	£ 73,610.75
Nationwide Reserve Account	£ 85,449.28
Unity Trust Reserve Account	£ 85,574.18

Gala Account	£ 5,394.21
Total	**£250,028.42**

9. Reconciliation Sign Off

Cllr Wells signed off the reconciliation documents and bank statements for June.

10. Councillor's Reports

None

The meeting closed at 8.50am

36/24 General Purposes Committee held on Wednesday the 3rd of July at 8.50am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session: none

3. Present:

Cllr Mounsey (Chair) Cllrs Beeching, Mills, Wells, Fisher, Patrick, Salt, Elliott & Parkinson.

Apologies:

Cllrs Miller & Crannage.

4. Declaration of Members Interests –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. – **none.**

5. Dispensations –

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

6. Community Assets – Breaston

It was RESOLVED to note that an acknowledgment was received to the application on the 5th of June, no further information has been received since.

7. Lamp post Poppy Display 2024

It was RESOLVED to note that the donated fabric was found to fray too easily and would require much further work, so the Maintenance Officer plans to visit the factory to talk to the team about possible alternatives. No poppies received as yet Clerk publicised a further request for poppies. Mrs Rowlinson to speak to the Pins Hooks and Pom Poms as she has a roll of fabric that they can perhaps use.

8. Summer Band Concert 2024 – 4th August 2024

It was RESOLVED to note that plans are in hand for the event. Mr Sheldrick confirmed he should be available to supervise the erection of the marquee.

9. Car Boot/Tabletop Sale – Community Forum 20.7.24

Cllrs Patrick & Salt confirmed that there are 17 cars booked in, so it shouldn't be overwhelming on the local area. The Clerk reported concerns raised by residents, and the Maintenance Officer to lend cones to prevent inconsiderate parking .

10. Dementia Information Session

The Clerk contacted Erewash Voluntary Action on the 14.6.24 no response as yet.

11. Meeting Room Water Boiler

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk reviewed the bills for the last 12 months and there is drop from 18m3 to 17m3 in that period. The Electricity is more difficult to comment on as the weather this year has been so poor that the heating has been on longer.

12. Scout HQ Access –

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk investigated further the meter and tariff and organised payment of £90.45 for the period 27.06.23- 25.06.24 for the electricity for the CCTV and floodlight on Duffield Close.

13. PCMR Land Offer –

It was RESOLVED to note the offer for sale of the plot of land adjacent to the Parish Rooms, the clerk had sought the advice of a valuer who had confirmed that it was a fair price. Clerk to enquire on costs from the Solicitor and to respond to EBC that the Council agreed in principle to investigate the purchase further.

14. Walks – Offer from Rachel Scott

It was RESOLVED to note that the information has been passed to Rachel and we have already had a successful offer of a walk leader without even creating the posters! Rachel Buczkiewicz is liaising with Bryan Marshall about the walks and hopefully we'll be able to publicise them again soon. Rachel Scott also to add a Breaston walk onto the Erewash Walking Week programme next year.

15. Additional Play Scheme – Cllr Patrick

Cllr Patrick has investigated the cost of providing a bouncy castle on two of the days when the climbing wall is on site. Brett Bishton can offer a bouncy castle and slide for £300 per day (total cost £600) Funds to be sourced from the Gala account. Cllrs RESOLVED to go ahead with the suggestion. Clerk to contact the Ice Cream Man also. Cllr Patrick to liaise with Brett and confirm the dates for publicity in due course.

16. Meeting Timings

The issue of the length of time taken over the Environment Committee was discussed at length, and it was RESOLVED to trial starting the meeting at 8.45am and reducing duplication in the agenda. Clerk to ask Cllrs for comments on application consultations when they are received. Should the situation not improve the possible change of day to be discussed further.

17. Elections

It was RESOLVED to note that the Parish Rooms are due to be used on the 4.7.24 for the election. Clerk to open up for the team at 6.30am and close up at 10pm. Clerk to work from home for the day.

18. Councillor's Reports

None.

The meeting closed at 9.35am

37/24 Parks & Cemeteries Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd of July at 9.35am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session – none

3. Present:

Cllr Mounsey (Chair) Cllrs Parkinson, Beeching, Mills, Wells, Fisher, Patrick, Salt, and Elliott

Apologies:

Cllrs Miller and Crannage

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none.**

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none.**

6. Risk Management –

a) Football Pitch Centre Circle –

It was RESOLVED to note the work will be undertaken in due course.

b) Cemetery Boundary – Holly Avenue Gardens

It was RESOLVED to note that the clerk sent the approved correspondence as requested.

c) Fencing Centenary Garden

It was RESOLVED to note the repairs are complete.

7. Perks Sub-Committee – Feedback.

It was RESOLVED to note the information:

- Improved Lighting – Clerk confirmed with TCS that the work will be started as soon as possible after the path on the eastern side of the site is completed.
- The team at Shacklock's report that our application will be considered at their meeting on the 26th of June. No news yet.
- Walking Path – work resumed on the 27.6.24. for two very productive days, the team hope to be back on the 15th of July.
- Memorial Benches – the three sponsored benches were completed week commencing 17.6.24. The benches are already being enjoyed by many people using the park. A further family are investigating whether to go ahead with a bench and the WI have made a funding application to provide funds towards their proposed bench.

8. Chapel –

a) Cemetery Drains –

The clerk emailed the Highways Maintenance Manager on the 4.4.24 to get further clarification on what the "regular cycle" entails, emphasizing the need to protect the chapel and houses on Holly Avenue and the fact that the neglect of the ditch was the cause of the flooding in the area. Clerk chased for a response on the 18.4.24 and the officer is out of the office until early May. Clerk emailed again and received a response from the office of Charlotte Cupit 28.5.24 reporting that the officer had been requested to give feedback. We really are stuck until they give us an answer. Still no response.

The application for the flood resilience grant to Derbyshire County Council was successful and the clerk circulated the information received to cllrs on the 15.05.2024. The clerk queried the length of time that it would take to get option one survey undertaken and awaits a response the form for the subsidy control act was sent on the 14.6.24.

b) Ceiling

B1st Scaffolding installed the scaffolding on Monday the 3rd of June.
BM Plastering completed the work on the 11th of June and confirmed that decorating could be done within a few days of completion.

c) Decorating

Two contractors provided quotes out of five contacted.
Ashcroft Decorators Ltd
Option1 £9890.00 + VAT
Option 2 £11,865.00 + VAT
Gary Rayns Painter & Decorator
Option 1 £2104.00
Option 2 £2820.00
Cllrs RESOLVED to accept the Option 1 quotation from Mr Rayns.

d) Replacement Floor

Clerk and Mr Fisher to liaise on a date hopefully in August for the floor work to be completed.

e) Electrical Work

The electricians commenced work on the 25th of June and will return to complete the installation during the installation of the floor. Clerk to liaise.

9. Annual Tree Inspection Report

a) Tornado Damage

i) Duffield Close Tree

The In Bloom group are keen to be involved and Mrs Hayward has provided a price for a replacement tree. Clerk enquired about the timing of the planting and awaits a response.

ii) Low & Very Low Priority Work.
It was RESOLVED to note that the very low work on Duffield Close was undertaken week commencing the 17.6.24.
It was RESOLVED to go ahead with the remaining low priority work as circulated by the Clerk which totals £975. Funds used for the tornado damage to be taken out of the General Reserve and then replaced when possible over the financial year.

10. Illegal Interment of Ashes – New Cemetery

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk continues to liaise with the family and awaits a response in relation to grave ownership. To be removed from the agenda.

11. Box Hedging Cemetery –

It was RESOLVED to note that the clerk had procured quotations from three contractors as per the specification the prices of yew hedging were extremely high. Since the original reports of the state of the hedge, it does seem to be picking up somewhat and it was RESOLVED to monitor the hedge for the time being and for the clerk to seek advice from the tree officer at EBC about possible funding streams for native hedging and to let the contractors know that the project is on hold at the present time.

12. Tree Preservation Order/Biodiversity Training

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Miller was not present and that the Clerk would ask him to provide the slides of the training and then circulate them to cllrs.

13. Tree Number 1 Duffield Close

It was RESOLVED to note that the clerk wrote to the residents, and they had organised a visit from the local tree surgeons, unfortunately on consultation with the EBC tree officer it was reported that the proposed work would not be approved.

14. Rewilding – Cllr Mills

Cllr Mills reported that Mr Bramwell was no longer able to attend on the 8th and it was agreed that the meeting needed his expertise therefore it was RESOLVED to ask them to give us some dates when he would be able to attend a meeting. Cllr Mills to inform In Bloom of the cancellation.

15. Cemetery Risk Assessment

It was RESOLVED to note the information as reported by the Clerk, it was PROPOSED that the Clerk seek a copy of the EBC risk assessment for the site for information and investigation in the first instance.

16. Councillor's Reports

None
The meeting closed at 10.40am

38/24 Environment Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Monday 8th July 2024 at 8.45am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session – none

3. Present:

Cllr Elliott (Chair) Cllrs Salt, Parkinson, Patrick & Miller

Apologies:

Cllrs Fisher, Wells, & Mills

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none.**

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- **none.**

6. Village Improvement Programme –

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Elliott had conducted an inspection of the remaining sites and there is no change at present.

- No. 37 Clerk to include note regarding the verge at the Bull's Head (Highways & Lighting Minute no.15c)
- No.6 Trailer at Longmoor Lane is deteriorating again, Clerk to investigate with Erewash Borough Council.
- The wall at the Navigation Inn – Clerk to investigate with the Landlady.

7. Flood Issues–

a) Longmoor Lane

It was RESOLVED to note that this item will be removed from this agenda to the Parks & Cemeteries agenda moving forward.

- Cllrs Mills to speak to a lady from the Geological Survey at Keyworth to seek advice on what can be done and what we should expect from the various responsible authorities. A response is awaited.
- Insurance wording it was agreed that the Clerk would write and inform the insurers that the Parish Council were concerned that we had put an action plan together for the flooding issues on Longmoor Lane and that the County Council were not responding to our correspondence about the matter. Derbyshire County Council to be copied in.

b) Flood – Storm Babet/Henk

it was RESOLVED to note that there are still some areas which are of concern.

- Old Westernmere School Site – The Clerk had chased the relevant parties on the 24.5.24 and the landowner's agents have reported that the work is being undertaken in phases and that the gathered materials will be removed in due course. Still no progress.
- Goldenbrook –an update has been received from Komal Bukhari about the work planned by the Environment Agency:

I have been told that the field drain to the north of Gregory Avenue that was previously not being maintained by the landowner is now up to standard although I have not had the chance to go out myself to have a look.

We are planning to desilt and reprofile the stretch of Golden Stream and Golden Brook in Breaston along Belvoir Close and Marlborough Road either this year or next year depending on the presence of Water Voles. We are hoping that the desilt and reprofile will improve the conveyance of water both at the location and upstream of it. As part of our frequent maintenance, the Golden Brook is walked through and tree and bushed once a year during the winter period (this is to remove any trees / bushes) likely to cause a blockage and increase flood risk.

- **Marlborough Road through to Belvoir Close** – the tree blocking the watercourse was reported to EBC who are the landowners. Despite many emails and a report from an engineer that the root ball should be removed, EBC are steadfastly refusing to take action. Cllr Miller reported that he had received confirmation from D Bramwell that the root ball would not be removed. Clerk to pass the information to residents who can report to their insurer's.
- **The Crescent/Belvoir Close Ditch Ownership** –
  to note Erewash Borough Council have been asked to clear the ditch on land in their ownership on the 16.2.24. They report that no date has been set for the works as yet. Cllr Mills to chase S Buxton. In light of the above issue of the root ball this is unlikely to be done any time soon. Residents to be informed.
- **Garage Forecourt Drainage – Cllr Elliott –FS Case 50181754 -**
  There is still no further progress – in light of the discussions on Wednesday it is recommended that the issue be added to the Highways & Lighting Report for inclusion in the monthly Highways update.
- **Johnson's Meadow Ditch – Cllr Elliott**

Cllr Elliott shared a photo of the ditch and the Clerk confirmed that she had asked the grounds maintenance team to strim and clear the ditch as soon as possible 8.7.24.

8. Applications –

The following applications were considered by the committee and the following recommendations were made:

ERE/0624/0023 - 7a Maple Grove - Erection of a single storey extension to form an extended garage to the front of the property. Side/front extension to the first floor. Alterations to existing roof to create an overhang detail to help protect façade. Composite slatted cladding to front and rear elevations and associated external alterations. - No objections with a note to the applicant of their responsibilities under the Party Wall Act.

ERE/0624/0037 - 40 Poplar Road - Part Retrospective - Revisions to previously approved extensions and alterations to dwelling (ERE/1122/0059 & ERE/0324/0009). - No objections

ERE/0624/0054 - Land Adjacent to 3 Hayes Avenue - Erection of a two-storey detached dwelling. No Objections in principle however, concerns were raised in relation to overshadowing of the property at no. 3 Hayes Avenue. Materials used must be in keeping with the street scene. With a note to the applicant of their responsibilities under the Party Wall Act.

9. Decisions –

The following decisions have been made by Erewash Borough Council:

ERE/0524/0022 - 95 Risley Lane - Demolish existing conservatory and garage, erect new two storey side extension and single storey rear extension - No objections with a note to the applicant of their responsibilities under the Party Wall Act. - Approved with conditions 28.06.24

ERE/0524/0011 - 14 Stevenson Avenue - Erect single storey rear extension, raise roof adjoining store, apply new render finish, erect new dormer to rear elevation and other associated external alterations - No objections (4/1 vote) with a note to the applicant of their responsibilities under the Party Wall Act. - Approved with conditions 3.7.24

ERE/0424/0044 - 10 Beech Avenue - Erection of detached double garage with first floor room above - No objections - Approved with conditions 26.6.24

10. Additional Planning & Enforcement Issues:

a) Field Close unauthorised dwelling.

It was RESOLVED to note: There has been no further progress by either the Planning or Building Control Teams at Erewash Borough Council.

b) Launderette – Petrol Service Station, Wilsthorpe Road

It was RESOLVED to note the clerk emailed R Snow for an update 4.6.24. Planning Officer Val Leigh is investigating.

c) Land Adjacent to 10 Holly Avenue, Breaston – Cllr Mills

It was RESOLVED to note that the plot of land which was granted planning permission on which to build a house, is now being used as a dumping ground, local residents report that a local landscaping contractor has leased the land. The contractor confirms that the dumping had been in error and will be cleared up in due course, a gate is due to be installed and the garage is just to be used for storage.

11. Biodiversity Net Gain

It was RESOLVED to note that the whole action plan document has now been reviewed, it was agreed to include on the Parish Council Website. Cllr Salt provided the Clerk with an updated version. The Clerk & Cllr Salt met on the 3rd of July and went over the document to clarify any updates and create a spreadsheet of cleaning materials used in the Parish Council Meeting Rooms and Pavilion by the Clerk and Maintenance Officer. Nesting boxes and Hedgehog houses to be discussed in more detail once the park path is completed.

12. Rewilding Possibilities

It was RESOLVED to note that the meeting with Mr Bramwell and the In Bloom Group has been postponed until Mr Bramwell is available, Cllr Mills to make the necessary arrangements.

13. Councillor's Reports

None

The meeting closed at 9.40am

39/24 Highways & Lighting Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd July at 10.40am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons –

2. Public Session – none

3. Present:

Cllr Beeching (Chair) Cllrs Elliott, Salt, Patrick, Fisher, Wells, Mounsey, Mills, & Parkinson

Apologies –

Cllrs Miller & Crannage.

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – Item 14 Cllr Parkinson declared an interest as a near neighbour to the Hidden Ivy.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- none.

6. Potholes/Street Lights/Overhanging Vegetation –

a) Highways Report: Potholes on the Highway

It was RESOLVED to note the information. See attached updated report.

b) Road Signs

A request for no cycling signs for the jitties on Wards Lane/Shirley Cres/Dale Close was submitted on the 26.05.23 FS-Case- 519209720– Work has been issued for completion on the DCC system. The latest update states: We will sign the footpath accordingly and provide 'No Cycling' signage as soon as we have the resources to do so'.

7. Firfield Avenue – School problems - Clerk

It was RESOLVED to note that the consultation was still progressing, and it was expected that the work should be complete by September. The school has now received the parking buddies which are being used every day.

8. Christmas Lights Damage

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk received a request for the Parish Council's VAT status on the 1.7.24.

9. Longmoor Lane SIDS

It was RESOLVED to note that the clerk chased the licensing/highways team about the OITH licenses 14.6.24, still no response.

10. Breaston in Bloom Planting on Longmoor Lane

a) Wildflower Planting

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk completed and submitted the application for a cultivation licence for the planting of a wildflower verge opposite the cemetery on the 30.4.24. no response as yet.

11. Overgrown Hedges

It was RESOLVED to note that letters were sent out to:

59 Wilsthorpe Road – Hedge – hedge cut.

19 Carlin Close – Overgrown front garden. No change.

Mrs McCaig conifer at 97 Wilsthorpe Road – arranging for it to be pruned.

Further letters sent out to:

113, 145, 149,151,153, & 161 Wilsthorpe Road 14.6.24. 113, 145, 153 all been done. 149,151,161 not done.
Cllr Mounsey had provided photos of further problem hedges:
102 Longmoor Lane – letter sent 5.7.24.
90 Longmoor Lane – photo forwarded to DCC case no 530780760 5.7.24.
170 Longmoor Lane – Letter sent 5.7.24.
5 Poplar Road Letter sent 5.7.24.
The issues previously raised with the Highways team about the imbalance between the footpath and cycle path were even more pertinent now that the verges weren't being cut the width of the footway is reduced even further by the loss of the grass verge to walk on. Clerk submitted report on DCC System 14.6.24.

12. Hanging Baskets – Clerk/Cllr Wells

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Wells contacted ten companies and we have to date one new sponsor: Leisure Lakes. No further responses received. Clerk to organise new plaques for the new sponsors in due course.

13. Wards Lane – Traffic Issues

It was RESOLVED to note that the clerk submitted a request on the DCC system FS-Case-622975502 14.6.24.

14. Mill Hill Lane Issues

- Mr Turner cut the verges after having another near miss – Clerk reported to D Bramwell & Cllr Alfrey 5.6.24.
- The Clerk has already written to the Safer Neighbourhood Team and asked them to keep an eye on the area during forthcoming events.
- Clerk emailed the Hidden Ivy to the erroneous listing on Bing Maps 14.6.24. No response.
- Clerk contacted the Sustrans team to ask for their support in lobbying for a pedestrian crossing at the site so that pedestrians using the path can safely get to the other side of the road. 5.6.24 M Brunt happy to support 6.6.24.
- Clerk submitted report to Derbyshire County Council to request investigation into the possibility of a formal crossing at the site 14.6. 24..
- Clerk passed DCC contact details to Mr Turner 5.6.24.
  Cllr Parkinson reported that the use class of the Hidden Ivy is still within the same class as the Garden Centre, so not a planning issue. He understood that there was still a chance that negotiations were ongoing between Hidden Ivy and Mr Ledger for use of the car park. Cllr Mills reported that if anyone had any issues to raise in relation to licensing the team at Erewash Borough Council were extremely helpful.

15. Councillor's Reports

a) Annual Resurfacing Requests – Cllr Parkinson

Cllr Parkinson reported that his annual request for highway resurfacing – Stevens Lane and Poplar Road had been refused. A further request for suggestions had been made by DCC and Cllr Parkinson had submitted them again!

b) Problem Hedge Willoughby – Cllr Parkinson

Cllr Parkinson reported that he had sent further photos of the problem hedge at Willoughby Close to the inspector at DCC but unfortunately this inspector has now moved elsewhere, hopefully another officer will take up the case. RP to monitor.

c) Bull's Head Beer Garden

Cllr Salt reported that as part of the summer planting Mrs Rowlinson had planted up the Bull's Head planters with some old plants removed from the PC planters. The team at the pub had failed to take care of them and they were all dead, Cllrs reported that the pub was in poor condition with little sign of care to the front forecourt and beer garden area. Clerk to write to the Brewery including a note about the verge condition also.

d) Footpath 22 - Electric Fence – Cllr Patrick

Residents had raised further concerns regarding the use of an electric fence on the footpath to the rear of houses on Longmoor Lane. The Clerk confirmed that the issue had been reported to the Rights of Way Team at DCC for action.

e) Anti-Social Behaviour Footpath 22 – Cllr Patrick

Issues at the stables had been causing issues for Ms Anderson and the Clerk had liaised with the Canal Trust and the Local Safer Neighbourhood Team. Cllr Patrick reported that issues were still ongoing. The Clerk reported that PCSO Coggins had informed Ms Anderson that she must dial 999 whenever problems arose. The Clerk reported that Ms Anderson had sent a further message in this morning (8.7.24) reporting that the padlocks had all been cut off the gates overnight, her CCTV camera had picked up one person in the early hours on Sunday morning possibly scouting the area, the Police had been informed and attended the site.

The meeting closed at 11.15am

40/24 Highways & Lighting DCC Reports July Update

Highways Report July Update				
Location	**Problem**	**Reported**	**Case Number**	**Completed/outstanding**
65 Poplar Road	Overhanging hedge blocking pavement reported by a number of residents	01.06.23	FS Case 520547468	The system still states that it is awaiting status update - an email was sent to the Highways Hub on the 26.10.23 asking for an update - still no reply on the 30.11.23.Clerk chased 21.12.23 Inspector continues to chase. Chased CC 26.3.24 Still can't access on the system chased email 29.4.24 Chased 29.5.24 Further complaint with photo received from V Bates 13.6.24 forwarded to C Cupit – response from secretary officers have been alerted to the issue and a response is awaited.
Risley Lane	Bollards Damaged	04.07.23	FS Case 528895435	Added to the Planned Work Programme – NO change Stet Chased 29.5.24 GE checked and some of the bollards are still damaged and missing reflectors – presumably DCC think that's ok.
Church View Footpath 1	Faded sign	11.7.23	FS Case 530764658	Added to planned work programme – stet chased 29.5.24
90 Longmoor Lane footpath 15	Overhanging Vegetation	11.7.23	FS Case 530780760	The inspector is to confirm our next step with the highway manager, which should be legal enforcement action, and we will serve Notice on the property. Further response from DCC 23.11.23 Further to my previous email, the inspector advised that some works have been carried out by the landowner however more work is required to ensure it is cut back to their boundary and the full

				width of footway is available. We will therefore serve the enforcement Notice on the landowner which instructs works within 28 days. If the requested works are not undertaken, the County Council will then carry out the works and recharge all associated costs. Chased email 21.2.24 Further chasing email 26.3.24 stet following further reports from residents to Cllr Fisher, chased for an update 29.5.24
Brick Built Planter The Green	Corner brick fallen off	14.7.23	FS Case 531603022	This case has been awaiting status update since July - the Clerk sent an email to the Highways Hub requesting an update on the 26.10.23 and we still await a response. Chased on system 21.12.23 Further chase on system 21.2.24 Chased again on the system 26.3.24 Still awaiting update chased on system 29.4.24 chased for an update 29.5.24 The inspector attended site on the 02.04.2024 and found minor deterioration to brickwork with no perceived impact on traffic safety. To be monitored by area inspector for any future deterioration. Remove?
Willoughby Close/Wilsthorpe Road	Overhanging hedge	17.7.23	Cllr Parkinson Reported to DCC Case no 533346699	The hedge has been cut back by the residents but still overhangs the boundary line onto the pavement narrowing the space for pedestrians to pass. Cllr Parkinson reported that he'd had no response from the team. Still waiting on the 9.10.23!

				Cllr Parkinson chased 26.10.23. Clerk chased 30.11.23 C Cupit reports that Cllr P will feedback on progress. Some work has been done but still not back to the boundary. Emailed RP for update 21.2.24 Chased RP for an update 26.3.24 Cllr Parkinson was given the following response: I inspected the location again on 25/01/2024 and observed the following: “We can acknowledge the householders concerns that the hedge might not survive further cutting back. However, they have allowed the hedge to significantly encroach onto the footway, forcing pedestrians onto the grass verge. A further letter will be required.” The enquiry is currently with Highways Admin, for a letter to be sent. As this enquiry is currently ongoing, and involves a private landowner, we are unable to comment any further and are unable to provide a timescale at this juncture. Bearing in mind the last response will leave until next month before chasing again Emailed RP 29.5.24 to seek update Emailed RP 14.6.24 to seek update
Rectory Road	Possible blocked Drain	29.9.23	FS-Case-550663197	Following conversations with the residents of 2c Rectory Road. Being investigated on the DCC system. Following the storms 20.10 the road and park were badly flooded. Work has been issued for

			26.3.24	completion. Added chase note to system 21.2.24 Residents continue to raise concerns about the drainage on Rectory Road, could you let us know whether the investigation has been carried out yet please? Still can't access on the system chased for response 29.4.24 also mentioned in email to J Vilas 29.4.24 John said that he will map all the locations and send to the area team to add to their list to reactively check these gullies and clean as needed. John will see if he can organise a more rigorous investigation although, as you may be aware, there are just a lot of problem areas like this scattered around and sometimes just figuring out what the problem is can take quite a bit of time, much less organising a remedy. With that said he will do what he can to push this along. No news
Poplar Road	Cycle route knocked over	2.10.23	FS-Case-551547553	Work has been issued for completion on the DCC system. Added chase note on the system 21.2.24 Chased on system 26.03.24 Still no response Chasing email 29.5.24 on the 31.5.24 Cllr Cupit requested an update
Holly Avenue	Blocked Drain	30.10.23	FS Case 558353995	Reported by Cllr Mills No action as yet 21.2.24 Emailed AM 26.3.24 for update Emailed AM for update 29.4.24 & 29.5.24 Work Complete!
Longmoor Lane	Sunken road previously reported still not repaired causes large puddle which drowns pedestrians when	21.11.23	FS Case 563622017 FS Case 460130607	According to the resident who reported it DCC have passed this onto Cadent when it was reported previously, and they have

	vehicles unavoidably drive through it		Cadent Ref No: 10727156	not been back to repair. Clerk reported to DCC again and will chase them to get the utility company to carry out the work. Can't load on the system. Still not repaired 21.12.23 Needs to be checked again not clear if some work has been undertaken. Clerk contacted Cadent direct on the 28.2.24 Emailed Resident on 26.3.24 for update on any progress. No change Clerk to chase Cadent. Chased contact Ben Green at Cadent 29.4.24 Emailed wecare@cadentgas.com 29.5.24 An inspector visited site and reported that the smaller hole adjacent to the main sunken part of the road could be responsible for the problem – he wasn't sure that was created by Cadent so had to return and speak to DCC. Residents assured him that all of the holes were created by Cadent. Clerk chased 14.6.24 Response received basically passing the responsibility onto DCC. PATHETIC! A short response was sent to Cadent copying in C Cupit, and the officer mentioned – who it would appear doesn't exist at DCC. Clerk to continue to chase.
Longmoor Lane	Japanese Knotweed	22.8.23 & 7.11.23	FS Case 541080328 FS Case 560204871	Residents report the plants have not been removed. Another case that won't load on the system No change. Chased HH 30.4.24 Response received: The enquiry was inspected on the 16.11.2023 and no strands

				of Japanese Knotweed were observed.
Longmoor Lane	NO 13.12.13 Additional note added 18.12.23 On investigation we think that it would be a good idea to use the material dug out of the ditch to build up the banks at the west end of the ditch near to the garages, this end of the ditch is lower and the water overspills here first - if the banks were built up higher it would hold the water in the ditch longer allowing it to flow away through the culvert as intended. Additionally, the culvert under the road needs to be increased in size because currently it can't deal with the amount of water needing to go through.	NO 13.12.13 Additional note added 18.12.23	**FS-Case-569098178** **FS Case 587950484**	DCC report that this will be added to the programme for attention in the new financial year. Request to increase the size of the culvert submitted 19.2.24 Further email sent outlining the Parish Councils proposal to install a flood gate and drain on the chapel forecourt sent 21.3.24. EBC requested hydrology report stating volumes of water, capacity of drainage system 25.3.24 Emailed DCC 26.3.24 asking if they could help with this and stating that it could all be resolved with the ditch clearance work and increased size culvert. See Parks and Cemeteries minute number 8a) Clerk contacted the highways maintenance team for clarification 4.4.24. once a response is received if not satisfactory a further letter to be sent suggesting putting it in the hands of the Insurers. Chased the maintenance team 18.4.24 on leave until early May Chased again on the 24.5.24 response received 28.5.24Thank you for your email. I have forwarded this onto the relevant department and Cllr Cupit will be back in touch with a response. Still waiting for an update
Poplar Road Estate	Street Gullies blocked	NO 2.1.24	FS Case 573529779	Await a reply from DCC. Awaiting status update Emailed John Vilas on the 23.2.24 with details of the problems photos etc – no response as yet.

				Emailed J Vilas 29.4.24 also mentioned Blind Lane, Risley Lane, Rectory Road John said that he will map all the locations and send to the area team to add to their list to reactively check these gullies and clean as needed. John will see if he can organise a more rigorous investigation although, as you may be aware, there are just a lot of problem areas like this scattered around and sometimes just figuring out what the problem is can take quite a bit of time, much less organising a remedy. With that said he will do what he can to push this along. No news
Blind Lane	Street Gullies inadequate and blocked	NO 2.1.24	FS Case 573640744	Email from HH stating that the work would be undertaken in 9-12 months Emailed John Vilas on the 23.2.24 with details of the problems photos etc – no response as yet. Emailed J Vilas 29.4.24 also mentioned Blind Lane, Risley Lane, Rectory Road John said that he will map all the locations and send to the area team to add to their list to reactively check these gullies and clean as needed. John will see if he can organise a more rigorous investigation although, as you may be aware, there are just a lot of problem areas like this scattered around and sometimes just figuring out what the problem is can take quite a bit of time, much less organising a remedy. With that said he will do what he can to push this along. No news

Risley Lane	Drainage Issues	NO 26.10.2022	FS Case - 461199401	This old report was included in an email chasing for reactive treatment for gullies, residents regularly report issues on Risley Lane. John said that he will map all the locations and send to the area team to add to their list to reactively check these gullies and clean as needed. John will see if he can organise a more rigorous investigation although, as you may be aware, there are just a lot of problem areas like this scattered around and sometimes just figuring out what the problem is can take quite a bit of time, much less organising a remedy. With that said he will do what he can to push this along. No news
Firfield Avenue	Potholes worse see previous report FS Case 562257065	RC/NO 4.1.24	FS-Case-574251092	Not repaired. Your report or request is being processed still the same status 26.3.24 Stet 29.4.24 still no change 29.5.24 Still says Your report or request is being processed 14.6.24
Sawley Road	Damaged Road Sign	GE/NO 25.1.24	**FS-Case-580361705**	Still not done. Work has been issued for completion Still the same. Stet 29.4.24 No longer able to view on the system chasing email sent 29.5.24 An update has been requested from the relevant officer. Cllr Cupit will be in touch in due course
The Green	Faded No Entry Sign	LB/NO 1.2.24	FS-Case-582463813	No response yet. Work has been issued for completion. No change on the system. Stet No longer able to view on the system chasing email sent 29.5.24 An update has been requested from the relevant officer. Cllr Cupit

				will be in touch in due course.
Main Street	Pothole trip hazard on pedestrian crossing	NO 21.2.24	FS-Case-588774972	Status on system: Your report or request is being processed Stet 29.4.24. Email sent 29.5.24 The pothole is getting worse and presents a real risk to pedestrians using the crossing – anyone with limited mobility is at particular risk. No response from HH
Risley Lane Nr Lanes	Large pothole with degrading repair	NO 28.2.24	**FS Case 590949498**	Work has been issued for completion. Your report or request is being processed. STET 14.6.24
Risley Lane by the Cedars opposite side to the Crescent	Pothole around gulley appears to be collapsing	NO 28.2.24	**FS Case 590950669**	Road Condition - Pothole/Trip Hazard you reported on the 28/02/2024 15:16 has been investigated and works have been issued. We will notify you when they are complete Stet 29.4.24 STET 14.6.24
Main Street	Potholes at the centre of the road in the line with wheels leaving the Green	NO 1.3.24	**FS-Case-591510074**	Case status: in progress Your report or request is being processed STET 14.6.24
Longmoor Lane	Pothole trip hazard pavement in the crossover	NO 13.03.24	**FS Case 595150935**	Case Status: in progress Your report or request is being processed STET 14.6.24
Emergency Vehicle Cut Through between Grosvenor Avenue and Thorntree Close	The cut through is being regularly misused by delivery drivers and horse riders	Mr Anthony Wood/NO 9.4.24	FS-Case-604042375	Being Investigated Awaiting Status Update 14.6.24
Poplar Road	Overgrown Hedges	Andrew Kay/ NO 18.4.24	FS-Case-606925307	Your report or request is being processed STET 14.6.24
16 the Crescent	Residents asked for the dropped kerb to be raised a little (not to full kerb height) to prevent surface water run off causing internal flooding.	AM/ T Thraves/ NO 18.4.24	FS-Case-606960760	Your report or request is being processed STET 14.6.24

The Crescent	Blocked Gullies	NO 18.4.24	FS-Case-606960760	Awaiting Status Update STET 14.6.24
Footpath 22 Back of Longmoor Lane	Gateway and fencing damaged	CC/NO 22.4.24	FS-Case-607895502	Awaiting Status Update STET 14.6.24 The tenant and Canal Society have been liaising and working on ways to prevent ASB and vandalism on site and the local safer neighbourhood team are investigating.
Stevens Lane just south of the Farm Shop	Blocked gulley	RB/NO 23.4.24	FS-Case-608242136	Awaiting Status Update STET 14.6.24
Stevens Lane at the junction with Blind Lane	Potholes…..	NO 23.4.24	FS-Case-608243034	Your report or request is being processed Following on from correspondence with residents on Stevens Lane DCC Cllr Cupit reports that: I've looked into this this morning and spoken to the relevant local inspector too. Works and a job have been raised so repairs will be carried out to the road by a reactive team. It appears that there was a system error by the inspector in that in raising the job they accidentally closed the public report below which came through to you as non-actionable. They've apologised for this and for any upset caused. Repairs still awaited. Work Complete!
M1 Bridge	Tree fallen during tornado and partially blocked the path	BW/NO 30.4.24	FS-Case-610298477	Your report or request is being processed Work Complete!
Maxwell Street	Sinkhole reported on Facebook by various residents	NO/ST 20.05.2024	**FS Case 615897524**	Your report or request is being processed. Sinkhole surrounded by barriers and cones….. Work Complete!
Maxwell Street	A further pothole opposite no.12 in line with the sinkhole	NO/ST 29.5.2024	**FS-Case-618356014**	Your report or request is being processed 14.6.24
Footpath 21 rear of Longmoor Lane	Electric fencing shocking dogs	LP/NO 3.6.24	FS-Case-619717564	Awaiting Status Update 14.6.24

Stevens Lane outside no 72	Pothole deep AGAIN	NO 3.6.24	FS-Case-619771458	Your report or request is being processed 14.6.24
Highway Tree o/s 93 Wilsthorpe Road	Damaged by tornado and partially felled to a large stump. Are they going to remove the stump and replace the tree?	AM/Cutts/ NO 4.6.24	FS-Case-619974677	AM contacted EBC and they confirmed that it was DCC responsibility. Report made on the 4.6.24 and closed by the CC on the 7.6.24 marked reduced risk made safe. Clerk emailed Cllr Cupit to ask for a response to the question will it be replaced. 14.6.24
Longmoor Lane/Petersham Road	Two large potholes	JG/NO 6.6.24	FS-Case-620699596	Your report or request is being processed 14.6.24
Bulls Head Car park Entrance	Bollard knocked over	LB/NO 13.6.24	FS-Case-622643516	Your report or request is being processed 14.6.24
Wilsthorpe Road	Lack of grass cutting and reduction of width of footpath	NO 14.6.24	**FS-Case-622971838**.	
Wards Lane	Possibility of one way/ no through route signs	NO 14.6.24	**FS-Case-622975502**	
Risley Lane junction with row 21 and 28	Possibility of a pedestrian/cyclist crossing	NO 14.6.24	**FS-Case-622981503**	
Petrol Station Wilsthorpe Road	Garage Forecourt Drainage	NO/GE10.10.2022	**FS Case No: 457515517 FS Case No: 34146340 FS Case 50181754**	Moved to the H & L list July 24.

41/24 Payments & Receipts July 2024

Payee	Description	Amount
Nat West	Bank Charges May	13.65
PCC to St Michael's Church	Christmas Lighting donation	60.00
People Safe	Man Down Equipment Quarterly payment	129.60
Excel Office Equipment	Laminating Pouches	33.58
David Ogilvie Engineering	3 x OE benches & Memorial Plaques	3,582.00
Sterilizing Services	Legionella Testing June	54.70
Bartlett Tree Experts	Fell Maple Duffield Close following Tornado damage	2,700.00
B M Plastering	Ceiling chapel	2,375.00
1st Breaston Scouts	Contribution for cost of electricity for CCTV & Floodlight Duffield Close 27.6.23-25.6.24	90.45
S Fisher	Cast bases and install benches Perks Park	600.00
Mark Douglas Industrial Supplies	Hand towels for Pavilion & PCMR	26.10
Mark Douglas Industrial Supplies	Toilet rolls for pavilion and PCMR	17.04

Bartlett Tree Experts	Very Low priority work 2023 report	150.00
J Rowlinson	Summer planting part 1	499.31
British Gas Lite	Pavilion Electricity 22.5.24-22.6.24	52.50
British Gas Lite	PCMR Electricity 24.5.24-24.6.24	34.19
British Gas Lite	Chapel Electricity 24.5.24-24.6.24	13.06
Various	Staff Costs	4,990.29
S H Electrical	Electrical Works Chapel Phase 1	1,331.77
S Fisher	Gateway Work Duffield Close, Repair Raised bed Sensory Garden, Repairs to fence Centenary Garden, Repair damaged MUGA Panel, instal toilet roll dispenser Blind Lane WC's Mount King's Portrait, Repair window sill PCMR, Repairs to swing seat Perks Park.	793.25
Fox Grounds Maintenance	June Ground Maintenance	1,472.51
Yu Energy	MUGA Electricity June	22.94
Yu Energy	MUGA Electricity June	15.03
Total		**19,056.97**
Nat West	Bank Charges May Gala	20.66
Total		**20.66**
Grand Total		**19,077.63**
Payer	**Description**	
Andersons	Hanging Basket Sponsorship 23/4 Inv 961	48.00
XLR8 Sports Leisure Lakes	Hanging Basket Sponsorship 24/5 Inv 965	48.00
Mrs M Roper	Exc Rights 16G	494.00
Mrs Flahey	Ground Rent	431.04
Nationwide	Interest June	154.23
Unity Trust Bank	Interest April, May, June	574.18
Mr & Mrs Hornby	Exc Rights 21H & 21I	230.00
Total		**1,979.45**

It was proposed and seconded that the above accounts for July be accepted.

42/24 Public Questions

none

43/24 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for Monday September 16th 7.15pm, (committees 11.9.24) this is later as the Clerk is attending her son's Pipe & Drum passing out parade in Edinburgh.

The Meeting Closed at 8.02pm

……Chair

16.09.24