

ELLISFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of Ellisfield Parish Council held in Ellisfield Memorial Hall on Tuesday March 6th 2018 at 8pm

Present

Tim Guinness	Chairman
Gavin Park-Weir	Councillor
Vicky Reed	Councillor
Peter Raine	{
Sylvia Raine	{Joint Parish Clerk

3 members of the public

267. Apologies for Absence Caroline Cazenove, Rose Taplin,

268. To receive declarations of interest in any matter on the agenda – None

Open Forum

PC Reid was unable to attend the meeting.

Mr Reed raised concerns about incidents of fly tipping and wondered why these are not recorded as crimes. Of particular note was the pile of rubble which remains on Bushywarren Lane, despite having been reported by EVA. Councillor Reed will follow this up with Dee Haas.

Tracey Gilvear reported that

- the posts on the balancing beam on the play area are rotten. The Chairman agreed to ask Tony Matthews to look at them.
- the gate by The Fox pub needs attention. Councillor Reed agreed to follow this up with Chris Allen.

The Chairman asked whether repairs had been carried out to the bus shelter at the bottom of Green Lane. The Clerk agreed to pursue this.

The Chairman was concerned about the poor drainage by the bus shelter on Ellisfield Green. He agreed to follow this up.

269. To receive and approve minutes of meeting held on 28th November 2017

These were agreed and approved by all councillors

270. Matters arising from the minutes

None other than those dealt with on the agenda.

271. To consider planning applications

17/04015/HSE Widmoor Farm, College Lane –
conversion of an existing outbuilding to provide an office with a bedroom and
bathroom and retained garden store.

Status: GRANTED

17/00456/HSE – The Lodge College Lane Ellisfield RG25 2QE
Erection of a 2 storey extension to replace existing conservatory.

No objections were raised to this application.

18/00434/LDPO Langstrath Green Lane Ellisfield RG25 2QW
Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed use to convert loft space to form
habitable room, incorporating dormer window to the rear elevation and 3 no.
roof lights to the front elevation

There were no comments concerning this application.

272. To receive a report on financial matters.

- The appointment of the Joint Parish Clerk was approved.

- Finance report:

Bank balances -Treasurers Account	£16,614.00	
Allotment Account	£ 1,754.36	
NS&I Savings Acct	£10,281.58	
Payments were approved:		
Clerk's expenses	£150.53	Chq no. 000776
Datacenta hosting	£288.00	Paid by BACS – 02.03.18
Memorial Hall rent	£189.00	Chq no. 000777
Clerk's salary	£695.80 x 2	Chq nos. 000774, 000775
Income received	£ 216.66	EVG rental for 50% garage.
	£2,000.00	Amber Solar Park grant for yrs 17/18 and 18/19
	£ 60.00	Dignity Funerals re David Lunn

- It was confirmed that John Murray should be appointed the internal auditor and an appointment has been made for May 2nd.

- It was agreed that £6000.00 should be moved from the current account to the savings account.

273. To receive a report and approve any action needed on:

a Localism / HALC / Local business Liaison

- Susie Deane kindly prepared a report from the Bushywarren Liaison Panel Meeting, held on 25th January:
HCC will not do any road repairs to Bushywarren Lane this financial year, despite John Jervoise offering to pay £5000 towards the cost. They may repair the passing place.
From 5th March, the AD plant will be overhauled and as they will not produce electricity, there will be a need to flare off extra gas, possibly for 14 days, day and night.

There will be a new sign saying, "This is not Herriard Bio Power" to stop AD lorries turning into Veolia by mistake.

Dormouse occupancy has dropped from 40% before the AD plant was built to 0%.

Next meeting 17th September 2018 2.30pm.

- The Chairman was commended for negotiating a grant for noticeboards from Amber Solar Park. This amounts to £1000.00 each for years 17/18 and 18/19. He confirmed that he has also requested that the Solar Park might help fund broadband provision.

b Flood resilience project

- The Agreement between The Parish Council of Candovers and the Parish Council of Ellisfield for the Parish Lengthsman Scheme, which was approved by all councillors, has now been signed by both parties.
- Steve Brabbin has already completed some lengthsman's work. Of particular note is the bottom of Bell Lane where his ditch digging seems to have prevented flooding in the recent snow. Peter Raine will contact him to complete paperwork.

c Footpaths / Rights of way

- 2 footpath signs have been repaired: one opposite The Rectory and one on the corner of Furzen Lane and Church Lane.
- Councillor Reed has continued to negotiate the repair of Kit Lane without success. HCC offered £6000.00 towards the cost on condition that EPC should add another £3000.00, which suggestion was rejected.

d Highways

- Speeding measurement:
Simone Surveys have informed HCC and B&DBC that the survey will be conducted during the week commencing 16th April.
The equipment will be padlocked to the gatepost at the bottom of the Frankhams' drive, with their permission.
- Poor road surface outside Hill Farm Cottage and at the bus stop:
There is still no evidence of work being carried out, although white lines have been drawn around the broken road surface on 2 occasions.
- New Litter Picker
Sylvia Raine reported that a job description and risk assessment has been completed for Jackson Hellewell and he has received a work permit from HCC. She provided him with appropriate equipment and walked the route with him for the first time.

e Allotments

Councillor Reed reported that all is well with the allotments.

f Memorial Hall

- There is a Memorial Hall meeting arranged for later this month.
- End of WW1 Celebration.

Vice Chairman Cazenove reported by e mail that a meeting was held to discuss arrangements. Initial thoughts were collected as follows:

It was decided that the evening should be along the lines of a talk about those soldiers from Ellisifeld who died in the war. It should include a sing song of songs from WW1 led by Theresa Webb and the Belles, dinner, and dancing. Dress from this period could be worn if wished.

Janey Park-Weir has agreed to organise parental help for children's craft activities

Representatives of other village organisations have been invited to be involved.

The next meeting will be held on 23rd March @ 4pm

g Broadband

Councillor Park-Weir reported on progress from EBAG.

EBAG has another meeting arranged for 14th March.

- In the North of the village, the new cabinet is installed so that in the next few months, the houses nearest to that will have the option of upgrading.
- For the south of the village there are various options:
 1. Pursue Open Reach and HCC for fibre to the cabinet.
A quote of £ 140,000.00 has been received for fibre to the premises, HCC would match fund 50% This was using existing structure and putting new poles from Pullen Cottage down Green Lane. A breakdown of the quote is unavailable.
EBAG is waiting for a response to their request for a quote for fibre to a cabinet at bottom of the village
 2. Redraw.
All properties in the south of the village are eligible for a £350 voucher which could be paid to Redraw for install and a monthly fee. 11 people have signed up so far and 4 more houses are needed in order for a permanent structure to be installed.
 3. The government has proposed a new universal service commitment for everyone to have the right to 10 mbs. If that becomes legislation, then HCC might look at other schemes such as Redraw.

h Burial Ground

- Vice Chairman Cazenove continues to be in touch with the family of Sally Adams about arrangements for a new seat.
- The Council approved a request from the family of Jean Dyson to open her husband's grave so that she can be buried in the same grave.
- The Council agreed to the request from the Co-op Funeral Directors for the interment of ashes of Desmond and Joan Gurd into their parent's grave (No 102 Leslie and Amy Gurd,)

I Land and Property

- Councillor Reed reported on the result of investigations into the proposed purchase of new noticeboards and a recommendation of a board made of fake wood was approved. It was agreed that the clerk would arrange for the purchase and the installation, and also investigate the price for new boards from similar material for the bus stops.

j BDAPTC

The Clerk has contacted BDAPTC and confirmed that we are now on the circulation list for meetings. The next meeting is on 26th March, details as yet unavailable.

k Welcome Packs

There are no new residents in the village.

274 Data Protection

The letter, which was approved at the last meeting, has been delivered to every house in the village and approximately 50 replies received. All residents so far have been happy for their details to be on the clerk's list. The clerk will send reminders to those people who have not so far replied.

275. Letter re TAG/GA Farnborough Airspace Change Proposal.

The Chairman reported that he had written to Mr Haines urging him to consider the alternative to Tag's proposal, submitted in December 2016, as the EPC considers it much better than TAG's and definitely do not consider it to be detrimental to residents.

276. To discuss any matters which have arisen since the publication of the agenda and that the Chairman considers urgent.

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter of resignation from Councillor Richards, with immediate effect. He thanked him for his service and contribution to the Council. The clerk will arrange procedures for the election of a new councillor.

The clerk reported that a letter from community services at B&DBC confirmed that if the EPC wished to go ahead with a project to build a fence alongside the drainage ditch near Lower Common, the money would be requested, although it is not guaranteed that it will be available.

277. To agree dates of future meetings:

The following dates were agreed

Next Meeting	Monday 14 th May	EPC	AGM
Forthcoming dates	Friday 18 th May		APM
	Monday 25 th June		EPC
	Monday 23 rd July		EPC
	Monday 17 th September		EPC
	Monday 15 th October		EPC

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

Chairman Date.....