

## ELLISFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of meeting of Ellisfield Parish Council held in Ellisfield Memorial Hall on Monday September 17th 2018 at 8pm

#### Present

Tim Guinness	Chairman
Caroline Cazenove	Vice-Chairman
Gavin Park-Weir	Councillor
Vicky Reed	Councillor
Rose Taplin	Councillor
Peter Raine	{
Sylvia Raine	{Joint Parish Clerk

Members of the public 2

**313. Apologies for Absence** None

**314. To receive declarations of interest in any matter on the agenda**

None

#### Open Forum

PC Reid reported the following incidents:

- 24.07.18 A dog left in a car in the hot weather.
- 26.07.18 A man seen to be photographing houses, who was later verified to be working for a film company.
- 29.07.18 A tree fallen across Berrydown Lane.
- 08.08.18 Theft of a Landrover from a field in Red Lane. The vehicle was recovered later.

A Crime Prevention Evening is being held at Herriard British Legion on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

PC Reid referred to the injunction from the High Court banning the setting up of unauthorised encampments in a large section of the borough. The area covered by the injunction is mainly the urbanised area of Basingstoke town, which includes the sites most frequented by travellers. Ellisfield and the Candover Valley area is therefore not included and the same powers of arrest will not apply here.

**315. To receive and approve minutes of meeting held on July 23rd 2018**

These were agreed and approved by all councillors and signed by the Chairman.

**316. Matters arising from the minutes**

None other than those dealt with on the agenda.

**317. To consider planning applications**

**Installation of Biogas Upgrader, Gas Storage Container, Biomethane off – take,  
Vehicle Bays and Ancillary Equipment at Anaerobic Digester Installation,  
Bushywarren Lane, Ellisfield RG25 2NS  
HCC/2018/0435 REF PLAN/WJA/ BA173**

GRANTED

**Construction of new Motorway Service Area –  
Land adjacent to Junction 6 M3  
Planning Consultation 17/03487/FUL**

The agreed expiry date for the application has been extended to 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**Application for work to trees growing in a conservation area –  
Guillemot Cottage, College Lane, Ellisfield  
T/00263/18/TCA**

GRANTED

**Land at Farleigh road, Cliddesden RG25 2JN  
Appeal by Thakenham Homes Ltd. – Ref APP/H1705/W/18/3197919**

The appeal was discussed via e mail in between meetings and a response was submitted by the Clerk, on behalf of the Council, reiterating EPC's objections to the proposal.

**318. To receive a report on financial matters.**

**Finance report:**

Lloyds Treasurers Account as at 17.09.18:	£12,710.46	
Add NS&I Savings Account:	<u>£10,281.58</u>	(as at 19.01.18)
Total	£22,992.04	
<b>Less un-cashed cheques:</b>	£ 0.00	
Balance	<b>£22,992.04</b>	

**Cheques paid since last meeting:**

Gary Cayley	£225.00	Refurbishment of College Lane notice board and hand rail to letterbox at bottom of Green Lane
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**Standing Orders & Direct Debits paid this year:**

Litter picking, Garage rental	£590.38
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<b>Income since last meeting:</b>	£2,760.50	B & D B C Second half of Precept
	£145.00	Re Burial & headstone alterations re Pamela Syms
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£2,905.50</b>	

### **Main Account Payments for Approval:**

Payee	Chq No	Amount	Details
Peter Raine	000803	£349.08	Joint Clerks Salaries
Sylvia Raine	000804	£349.08	Joint Clerks Salaries
HMRC	000801	£166.80	Tax deducted from gross salaries
Sylvia Raine	000802	£117.41	Joint Clerks Expenses

### **Other Items**

The Lloyds Bank Basingstoke Winchester Street Branch is to close and the accounts are to be moved to Festival Place from 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

Please will all councillors consider items that they wish to be included in next years budget in time for the November meeting.

HMRC have informed EPC that there is a credit on the PAYE Account of £92.58 as at 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018. In order to better understand this we have requested a Statement that sets out how this has arisen. We believe this goes back to 2016. We expect the Statement to arrive by the middle of October.

### **319. To receive a report and approve any action needed on:**

#### **a Localism / HALC / Local business Liaison**

##### **Noise from Solar Array**

Councillor Park-Weir reported back from the Little Bushywarren Liaison meeting which he had attended earlier in the day:

Attended: HCC, Ellisfield PC, Herriard PC, Herriard Estate, Local Residents, Herriard Bio Power

Non-attendance: Veolia, Solar Park

Matters discussed:

Herriard Bio Power planning application for gas creation system, extra truck movements.

Herriard Bio Power feeder crop – different fields are being used and thus the harvest is using a different route from those approved in the planning consent.

Herriard Estate coppicing plan was discussed but is not finalised yet

Solar Park noise discussed and lack of attendance at the meeting noted as frustrating  
Veolia - very significant and unpleasant smell during the hot weather. Veolia's lack of attendance noted as frustrating

Veolia's planning application requires them to submit plans for the decommission of the site by Oct 2018 to comply with planning consent. Veolia's lack of attendance noted as frustrating

Date of next meeting proposed at 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019

He also commented that there was discussion about potholes and the difficulty in reporting them.

The Chairman suggested that it would be helpful if Veolia and Anesco could give more support to the village. Councillor Reed said that she would be asking Veolia for more Pro Gro for the allotments.

**b Flood resilience project**

- The Chairman reported that The Candovers Parish Council has employed a new lengthsman who is keen to buy a grit spreader to use on the roads that are not gritted by Highways. EPC is invited to share the cost and use of the machine. This was discussed and it was agreed that more details are needed before the council can assess whether this would be better than the current system of grit bins at various points in the village used by residents as the need arises. A meeting with the new lengthsman is planned in the next few weeks.
- Steve, our lengthsman, has been busy clearing grips around the village - 54 in College Lane, 21 in Green Lane. He has also opened up a new flood pit in Furzen Lane. The Council expressed their appreciation of his hard work.
- Steve also reported that several trees in the main ditch in Green Lane are falling over telephone wires. The Chairman agreed to follow this up and investigate the contractor used by Open Reach to trim trees.

**c Footpaths / Rights of way**

Councillor Reed reported that there are no problems with the footpaths. She continues to communicate with HCC about the work needed in Kit Lane.

**d Highways**

- The Chairman confirmed that Nick Batchelor and 13 residents from Ellisfield have volunteered to clear the vegetation on Axford Road to enable Hampshire Highways to clear the drains. The work is to be scheduled for the year 2019/20.
- Several Councillors have noticed that some potholes had been filled in on College Lane but not those on Green Lane, which have been reported many times.
- Revision of the 2008 speeding survey was discussed, without agreement on the format and wording. It was decided to engage in an e mail discussion over the next few weeks to try and reach a consensus.

**e Memorial Hall**

**First World War Centenary Celebrations –Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

Vice-chairman Cazenove reported that all is going well with arrangements for the evening. As there are currently 108 people wanting to come, it will be very difficult to take full advantage of the display prepared by Gordon Dunse. We therefore need to encourage people to visit the hall on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> to spend time looking at the exhibits. It was thought that the Basingstoke Gazette might write a report and Councillor Cazenove will discuss this with Jacqui Matthews.

**Defibrillator**

There was further discussion about whether a financial contribution to the cost was a good use of the council's funds and it was agreed to continue researching the issue. It was felt that if residents made some financial contribution to the cost, then a commitment to its use and maintenance would be demonstrated. It was suggested that a question about a defibrillator could be included on the village speeding survey.

**f      Broadband**

Councillor Park-Weir reported that EBAG is waiting for confirmation from HCC that an order has been placed, but he is confident that all is proceeding as planned.

**g      Burial Ground**

**New Seat**

Vice-Chairman Cazenove reported that communication with the representative of Sally Adams' estate has not been possible due to illness, so the seat has not yet been installed.

**Interment of Pamela Syms**

The Council approved by e mail in between meetings, the interment of Pamela Eileen Syms in grave 151, and this was ratified in the meeting.

**Extra land for Burial ground**

The Chairman reported that Marcus Rule has very kindly offered an extra strip of land for the burial ground. It was agreed to accept his offer. The Chairman will communicate with Marcus on this matter and an agreement will need to be drawn up.

**h      Land and Property**

**Noticeboards**

The noticeboard at the junction of College and Bell Lane has been re varnished. A handrail has been fitted for the post box at the bottom of Green Lane and the Council has received a letter of thanks for this from June Pluckrose.

**Balancing Beams**

The balancing beams have been made safe and although the angle of the beams might not have been replaced exactly, it has been agreed to leave it as it is.

**Rubbish behind the bus shelter at the bottom of Green Lane**

EVG has informed the clerk that their grass cuttings are left in the area behind the bus shelter at the bottom of Green Lane. In addition, it seems as though someone has added garden waste to the heap. It was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk would look at this area when they walk round the village in a few weeks time, and then talk to Graham Simpson about any necessary action.

**i      BDAPTC**

The next meeting is now on 20<sup>th</sup> November. Councillor Reed will attend.

**j      Welcome Packs**

- Councillor Reed has delivered a welcome pack to the new residents at Meadow View.
- A leaflet for the welcome packs, inviting new residents to provide contact details was approved.

**320. Newsletter**

The newsletter was delivered to every house in the village at the beginning of August. Some positive comments have been received.

**321. Co-option of a New Councillor**

The Chairman reported that Andy Swanston has agreed to be co-opted onto the Council.

**322. HCC Consultation on further changes to public transport.**

The Clerk reported that Charlie Hellewell and Ted Dowson have completed the questionnaire, and that Ted also contacted other bus users to encourage them to do likewise.

**323 Ward Boundary Change – Electoral Review Update.**

The map was examined, noting that the proposals split our ward into two – one part joining Basing and Upton Grey, the other joining Oakley and the Candovers. This was discussed and it was decided that it was up to individuals to respond. The Clerk agreed to display the information on the noticeboards and if possible post it on the website.

**324 National Highways and Transport Public Satisfaction Survey**

The Chairman will complete the questionnaire.

**325 CAA decision on TAG ACP**

There was general dissatisfaction with the CAA’s decision to grant a large area of new controlled airspace around Farnborough Airport. The Council noted Lasham Gliding Society’s proposals to challenge the CAA’s decision and decided to offer support where possible. The clerk agreed to investigate whether it would be possible for EPC to offer a financial contribution of £250.00 towards legal costs.

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

None

**327. To agree dates for future meetings**

Clerk to liaise via email

The meeting closed at 9.42pm

**Next Meeting:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October EPC

Chairman ..... Date.....