



EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL WITH ELLENS GREEN

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL WITH ELLENS GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.45 pm on MONDAY 10th APRIL 2017

Attendees: Parish Councillors: Mike Turner (Acting Chairman); Tom Fawcett; Rob Matthews; Elaine Benson;
Julie Francis; Ian Davis; Val Dixon – Henry (arrived during 81(2017)).

Jane Bromley, Parish Council Clerk.

Two members of the public.

- 76 (2017) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Parish Councillor Richard Cleaves.
- 77 (2017) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllr Henry declared a non -pecuniary interest in fundraising for the Church.
- 78 (2017) NON CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20th February 2017. The minutes were agreed as an accurate record.
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EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING held on 27st March 2017. The minutes were agreed as an accurate record.
- 79 (2017) CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT. Cllr Turner announced the resignation of Cllr Bloomfield and thanked him for his long period of office during which time he had carried out much good for the Parish, most recently obtaining funding and organising the resurfacing of the Ewhurst tennis courts. A letter of grateful thanks would be sent to him from the Parish Council.
- 80 (2017) ADJOURNMENT: - No speakers.
- 81 (2017) APPENDIX 1 THE PLANNING COMMITTEE. No comments on the Planning Committee Planning observations. Firethorn Land: an environmental enhancements form had been sent for completion on the basis that £13396 could be made available for the site for improvements should the Planning Application be allowed. It was a requirement that The Parish Council put forward a proposal for this money, in case this event occurred.
The following suggestions were made:
A footpath constructed through to Williams Place for easier access from the site to the village centre;
School improvements;
Measure to improve water pressure or the foul water pipes in the area;
Soft landscaping of the open area;
Contributions to enhance the Glebe centre facility.
The original deadline for completion of the form was 2nd May but the Clerk was asked by the Parish Council to try to extend this deadline as this would need to be revisited for Resolution at a Full Parish Council meeting when the costings for each project had been carried out. **ACTION Clerk**
- 82 (2017) APPENDIX 2 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS for March 2017 and financial statements for the full year. No Comments were made on the receipts and payments for March and the financial statements.
- 83 (2017) APPENDIX 3A ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2017- The Parish Council RESOLVED to confirm they have satisfied their responsibility for a sound system of internal control, points 1 to 8 on the annual return form.

84 (2017) APPENDIX 3B APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS TO 31ST MARCH 2017 – The Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the accounts to 31ST March 2017 to be reviewed by the internal auditor.

85 (2017) REPORTS –
Richard Cleaves – Finance and Extra Maintenance.
No report.

Tim Bloomfield -Ellens Green, Tennis Courts.
No report.

Julie Francis - Ground Maintenance.
A correction had been made by the Contractor with regard to the installation of an additional tap at the allotments.

Val Dixon Henry – Planning.
The Clerk was instructed to contact the developers for Backward Point with a view to the Parish Council having some input into arrangements for the build and construction works in the interests of residents. ACTION Clerk.
The Ewhurst Conservation Appraisal was now completed and available on the WBC website.
Photographs of the BT telephone boxes had been sent to BT with a request that the maintenance required be carried out.
Glebe Centre- Awaiting a more detailed report with regard to costs of renovation and lease agreement.
Cranleigh Medical Practice – The scheduled changes for care of Stroke Victims was to be the subject of a drop in session for the public in Ewhurst and this was being arranged.

Elaine Benson – Community.
The Annual Parish Meeting was very successful with approximately 100 people attending. Cllr Turner thanked Cllr Benson for all her efforts with this and Cllr Benson thanked all who helped her with the arrangements.
Heritage week for Surrey was to be a week in October and the bell Tower and Sayers croft would be showcased for Ewhurst.

Ian Davis - Community Liaison.
The Village Hall Users meeting has been rescheduled for June as there were currently no items for the agenda.

Robert Matthews - Rights of Way. *Quote for tree works end of Broomers Lane £475 net and Ellens Green Ash tree £525 net.*
The maintenance to these two trees would go ahead to make the trees safe in public areas.

Mike Turner - Website, Communications and Highways.
The NP was to have a Facebook page.
Box broadband is being installed in Ellens Green this could improve the mobile phone signal in Ewhurst as well as revolutionising the available broadband service in the Village.

Tom Fawcett – Parish Buildings.
EYSC store room handle had been repaired and an electrician had been asked to fix the light in the changing room.

86 (2017) PARISH CLERK REPORT– Historic England had confirmed the War Memorial outside the Church had received a Grade II listing for Buildings of Architectural or Historic Interest.

87 (2017) COMMUNITY LAND TRUST – Update. Following Cllr Bloomfield’s resignation a meeting was to take place with TB to discuss the future for this project which all hoped TB would continue.

- 88 (2017) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Update. Cllr Turner reported as Parish Council liaison Councillor for the Neighbourhood Plan that two of the Steering Group, Jan Allen and Allan Webber had recently resigned from the Steering Group. Their loss would be felt but the remaining Steering Group were working very hard towards drafting the Neighbourhood Plan. A Planning Consultant had not yet been found but meetings over the next week or so should enable a Consultant to be engaged.
- 89(2017) WATER PIPES IN CRANLEIGH AND EWHURST- The Cranleigh Society were agreeable to liaising with Ewhurst Parish Council on this issue, the Parish Council RESOLVED that Cllr Ian Davis be the Parish Council representative for this matter.
- 90(2017) APPENDIX 4 SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL’S CHURCH EWHURST - REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR FUNDRAISING AND FOR A PARISH COUNCIL GRANT TOWARDS STRUCTURAL WATER DAMAGE REPAIR COSTS. The Parish Council are recommended to RESOLVE to draft a letter of support for the Church’s fundraising for costs of repair to the Church and the Parish Council are to discuss and decide whether or not to RESOLVE to offer any financial support towards the repairs.
A letter of support was to be sent by the Parish Council and all agreed a grant contribution of £500 towards this project.
- 90 (2017) PARISH BUSINESS; - Items for general discussion.
TF reported that a resident had offered his free services to updating the Village website and this offer was to be pursued by TF. **ACTION TF**
MT The Alan Young offer of a village meeting for the ambulance and fire Service was to be taken up in May. **ACTION Clerk**
- 91 (2017) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING of the Parish Council, 15th May 2017
The Church Bell Restoration Fundraisers were to be invited to the Parish Council meeting to give an update on their fundraising, further consideration of granting funding was to be discussed by the Parish Councillors.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS.

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed members of the public or press present may be asked to withdraw from the meeting at this point in the public interest.

- 92 (2017) Pursuant to Procedure Rule 20 and in accordance with Section 100 A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Parish Council are recommended to RESOLVE to exclude the press and public for the duration of the meeting.
This RESOLUTION was not required.
- 93 (2017) CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20th February 2017. Recommended the Parish Council Resolve to approve the minutes as an accurate account of the meeting.
The minutes were approved.