

EASTERGATE PARISH COUNCIL

7th September, 2017

At a Meeting held at Eastergate Parish Hall

PRESENT

Mr C Allington (Chairman), Mrs L Ballard, Mr P Cramp, Mrs H Kilroy and Mr R Marsden, Mr R New and Mr D Phillips

County Councillor Mr D Whittington and 2 parishioners were in attendance

Apologies were received from District Councillors Mr K Ballard and Mr C Hughes and Mr D New

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

214. None.

MINUTES

215. **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meetings held on 6th July and 15th August, having been circulated, be taken as read and approved as a correct record, and be signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

216. County Councillor Mr Whittington advised members that he had changed roles at the council away from cycle paths and towards waste management. Reference was made to footpath 321 which was to be made 4 metres wide and this had been approved by the Church Commissioners and was on the appropriate plans.

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

217 Members considered a number of planning applications and considered that application no EG/59/17/HH being a rear extension at 4 Wentworth Close was an over-intensive use of the site and that the likely use of what was, in essence, a separate dwelling, would adversely affect foul and surface water drainage contrary to the BE NP. Members considered AL/15/17/PL which appeared to relate to roads and speed humps. Members had previously considered the proposed development to be premature as the site formed part of the BEW allocation in the proposed Local Plan. Members were concerned that application EG/60/17/PL included unacceptably complicated plans with no clear management summary on the front. The planned proposal did not appear to suggest rectification of the known defects with the waste disposal system at the development. A letter that had been circulated relating to the parish allocations issue was considered. The Chairman referred to a meeting with the Church Commissioners and a letter received from Lichfields. The Chairman proposed writing a letter listing the infrastructure requirements and the needs of the community for this to be placed before the BEWAG meeting and ADC. Members also considered a letter received from ADC regarding delegated powers being passed to officers instead of decisions from committee. A consultation was noted in regard to this. Angmering PC views were considered an agreed with and the Clerk was asked to write to ADC stating that we reserved our position until we have seen the consultation paper. Members considered the location for three salt bins purchased by the council.

218. **Resolved 1:** That the council object to the applications mentioned above on the grounds referred to and maintain previous objections.

219. **Resolved 2:** That the council write to ADC regarding application EG/60/17/PL.
220. **Resolved 3:** That the letter relating to parish allocation be agreed and delivered.
221. **Resolved 4:** That the Chairman prepare a letter and it be sent following circulation, subject to approval of members.
222. **Resolved 5:** That the salt bins be located at the sportsfield car park, The rear of the village hall and in Barnham Square, if allowed by the owners.

CORRESPONDENCE

223. The Clerk circulated correspondence and referred to items previously delivered by e-mail. Members discussed the possibility of a defibrillator being located outside the Co-Operative store where there were CCTV cameras A donation of £200 was requested. Members referred to footpath clearance attendance by WSCC Rangers and discussed difficulties with the proprietor of a shop in Barnham Square. Members stated that they had been involved in advising in the circumstances already. Reference to the vacancy for a project manager receiving 81 "hits" on LinkedIn was made.
224. **Resolved 1:** That the council approve the donation of £200 towards the defibrillator.
225. **Resolved 2:** That the council not reply to the shopkeepers correspondence.

SPORTSFIELD

226. Members were advised that the play area repairs had been completed. The fence posts remained in a damaged condition, however. A wasps nest had been reported and the clerk had arranged for an ADC pest control operative to investigate. The possibility of outsourcing to third parties was discussed. Overflowing litter in the play area was causing problems. There was a complaint regarding broken glass in the car park.
227. **Resolved 1:** That the Clerk report the litter problem to ADC again.
228. **Resolved 2:** That Mr Cramp discuss the fence post problem with the neighbour.

PARISH HALL

229. Members welcomed Nina McMaster, the newly appointed Community Facilities Manager to the meeting. Members discussed the potential work needed to the frontage and it was suggested that the Aldingbourne Trust might be able to assist in that regard. The matter would be taken up by Ms McMaster.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

230. The Clerk had circulated the statements for July and August by email and at the meeting.
231. **Resolved:** That the financial statements be approved and payments be authorised.

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

232. Members were advised of the arrangements for a re-dedication of the memorial following completion of the refurbishment. Father Martin was said to have prepared a special prayer of dedication. The refurbishment had cost some £13,611.73. A grant from the Memorial Trust would be in the order of £6,000. Members were advised that the

wreaths would be delivered next month. It was suggested that the pavilion could be opened with tea and cakes available. Members accepted Mr Whittington's kind offer to say the words on Remembrance Day and John Donabie would be approached to take photographs of the re-dedication.

WEBSITE COMMUNICATIONS

233. Members deferred discussion of website provision and Data protection until the next meeting.

MEETING OF OUTSIDE BODIES

234. None.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

235. None.

OPEN FORUM

236. Members discussed the possibility of a village warden being shared amongst the villages with shared cost. The possible cost of approximately £35,000 could be shared between 4 parish councils.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

237. **Resolved:** The date of the next meeting of the council will be the 5th October 2017.

Signed : Dated :