

EASTERGATE PARISH COUNCIL

1st September, 2016

At a Meeting held at Eastergate Parish Hall

PRESENT

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

District Councillor Mr K Ballard and 3 parishioners were in attendance

Apologies were received from District Councillor Mr J Charles

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

227. Members were asked to confirm whether they had a meeting with the Church Commissioners and, if so, what the purpose of the meeting was. Members advised that a meeting had taken place at the Commissioners request following a strong letter of complaint from the Chairman. County Councillor, Mr Whittington had attended the meeting as it related to footpath 321 and the proposed upgrade to a cycleway. A further question was asked in relation to the resolve of the cluster parishes to oppose the Local Plan and an update was given as to the progress being made in that regard. Members were asked whether they would continue to fight for Section 106 monies to be used in the locality and the concerns with the recent Development Control Committee were discussed. There were no plans to discuss the ongoing matters with the residents leading up to the hearing of the Call in inquiry. The council was still concerned as to pre-determination of development sites in the Local Plan. Mr R New declared an interest and took no part in the discussions. Questions relating to a planning application at Woodfields Farm in Wandleys Lane were answered and concerns as to traffic management on this narrow road were discussed. A question raised in regard to litter collection was answered in that it was uneconomic for the council to replace its litter collector during his vacation. The collector's work was not a substitute for the ADC responsibility and was felt to be a reasonable ongoing improvement to the environment of the parish. A further complaint as to parking outside of the Elm Tree Stores was discussed and it was felt that photographs should be taken to be included in a letter from the council to WSCC, ADC and the police asking that steps be taken to prevent this dangerous activity continuing.

MINUTES

228. **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meetings held on 14th July, having been circulated,
be taken as read and approved as a correct record, and be signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

229. District Councillor Mr Ballard advised members of his concerns regarding unlawful parking of vehicles around the Elm Tree Stores. Vehicles have been seen double parked in this area. Members considered that photographs demonstrating the dangerous nature of the parking should be provided to the Clerk with a view to correspondence with WSCC, ADC, and the police. Notes from the Local Plan meeting were to be circulated particularly in regard to projections as to flood areas in the coming years. Members noted the efforts made by Councillor Ballard in regard to the garage in Elm Grove which continued to be worked on despite ADC requirements to cease work. It was understood that a revised planning application was to be submitted although the revisions were

thought to be slight. The mobile home usage previously referred to had led to an application for temporary use to be submitted.

230. **Resolved:** That the Clerk write to the parties requesting enforcement of Parking Regulations when the photographs have been provided.

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

231 Members considered a number of planning applications and discussed no EG/57/16/PL being anew application at Croft Surgery, EG/64/16/HH in Elm Grove, EG/68/16/PL, EG/67/16/HH and EG/69/16/T. Members were advised of the applications to vary conditions at the Barnham Bridge Inn which appear to have arisen following discussions between the developers and Mr Whittington and the Chairman. Concern wa expressed in regard to the possible loss of the pharmacy in Barnham Village. And members considered the revised plans at Elm Grove to be insufficient. An application for tree work at Warren way was to be referred to the ADC Arboriculturalist. The issue of car parking was discussed and a problem at Farnhurst Road where a resident had painted their own white lines on the road had been dealt with in a sensible and proportionate way. The white line would eventually be repainted by WSCC. Members were advised of the refurbishment of the seats around the parish which had attracted complimentary comments from parishioners.

- 232 **Resolved 1:** That the council object to EG/57/16/PL on the grounds that the pharmacy in the village should be protected, if possible.

233. **Resolved 2:** That the council maintain its objection to EG/76/16/HH on its previously disclosed grounds.

- 234 **Resolved 3:** That the council request that application EG/69/16/T be referred to the ADC Arboriculturalist

CORRESPONDENCE

235. The Clerk circulated correspondence and referred to items previously delivered by e-mail. Members discussed the possibility of receiving ADC Agendas by e-mail rather than post.

236. **Resolved:** That the council approve the receipt of ADC Agendas by e-mail.

SPORTSFIELD

237. Members were advised that the roundabout had still not been commissioned as there was a delay in production of a third quotation. Members had received the Surveyors report into improvements at the pavilion and noted its use in seeking Sec. 106 monies. The Clerk reported no response from the ADC Tree Inspectors and would follow that matter up. Difficulties with emptying of litter bins were referred to and had been notified on more than one occasion by the Clerk.

PARISH HALL

238. Members discussed the potential work needed to the frontage. A proposal had been suggested regarding use of bark chippings as a weed preventative. Alternatively the contractor had suggested sowing grass seed.

239. **Resolved:** That Mrs Kilroy instruct the contractor to use bark chippings.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 240. The Clerk had circulated hand written statements for July and August by email and at the meeting. He advised that the councils' accounts package had not yet been decided upon. Concern was expressed as to these delays and the printer that had been supplied. Members considered the service agreement proposed
- 241. **Resolved 1:** That the financial statements be approved and payments be authorised.
- 242. **Resolved 2:** That the service agreement not be taken up.

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

- 243. Members were advised that two quotes had been obtained and it whether this was sufficient for grant purposes was being investigated. When the work had been commissioned, a Road Closure application would have to be requested. Members were advised that the Ceremony would take place on the 13th November and Marshalls would be sought and contact would be made with the Parish Office. The Clerk would make the application for road closure. The parish office would arrange the bugler and Mr Whittington would be invited to say the words.

WEBSITE COMMUNICATIONS

- 244. Members deferred discussion until the next meeting

MEETING OF OUTSIDE BODIES

- 245. Members deferred discussion until the next meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 246. None.

OPEN FORUM

- 247. None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 248. **Resolved:** The date of the next meeting of the council will be the 6th October 2016.

Signed : Dated :