

EASTERGATE PARISH COUNCIL

4th February, 2016

At a Meeting held at Eastergate Parish Hall

PRESENT

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

District Councillor Mr K Ballard and 2 parishioners were in attendance

Apologies were received from County Councillor Mr D Whittington and District Councillors Mr J Charles and Mr C Hughes.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

1. Members were asked what they were response they were considering providing to a renewed application EG/76/15/HH. Members considered the property applied for to be overdevelopment of the site and unneighbourly in relation to its new position on the plot. Members accepted that the building would be less offensive to the conservation area, but considered the height and mass to be too large.
2. **Resolved:** That objection be raised in relation to application EG/76/15/HH

MINUTES

3. **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2015, having been circulated, be taken as read and approved as a correct record, and be signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

4. None.

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

5. Members were advised of a number of applications as well as an Appeal notified in relation to Eastergate rectory. An application in regard to waste water treatment works under EG/3/16/PL was considered as was EG/4/16 and EG/69/15/PL where no objection was considered necessary. Members felt that objection should be made in relation to EG/74/15/HH, on grounds of overdevelopment of the site contrary to ES6 of the NP, and EG/75/15/HH with objections as to style, overdevelopment size and roof angles. Members considered the NP Design Guide and were advised of a meeting to take place on the 13th February. There was no update in regard to the Local Plan but reference was made to the AON for housing numbers. Members discussed the Dandara application and the calling in of the same by the Secretary of State. This means that the application is reconsidered afresh at a public inquiry before an Inspector. Members considered three options provided by the council's planning consultant and were made aware of the potential cost. Walberton parish council were likely to share the cost of the representation as Rule 6 participants. The clerk referred to the tree works which had been reported as necessary following an interim inspection.
6. **Resolved 1:** That objection be raised in relation to EG/74/15/HH and EG/75/15/HH
7. **Resolved 2:** That no objection be raised in relation to applications EG/69/15/PL, EG/3/16/PL and EG/4/16.

8. **Resolved 3:** That the council agree to option 2 that is to become Rule 6 party and instruct Adams Henry funding this to the sum of £13,000, subject to Walberton council agreeing to share the cost.
9. **Resolved 4:** That the tree works be authorised as soon as possible.

CORRESPONDENCE

10. The Clerk circulated files of correspondence and referred to further items. Members discussed the application for a grant to the War Memorial trust and that was expected to be considered within 10 weeks. The delay was now 15 weeks and a reminder would be delivered by the Chairman. The Chairman reported good feedback in regard to the Community Newsletter and a request for updating of contacts had been received.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY 2016

11. Members were advised that the Assembly is required to take place between March and June. As there was a risk of an election or referendum, members felt that alterations to the normal timetable for meetings should be made.
12. **Resolved 1:** That the Annual Parish Assembly and the Annual Parish Meeting take place on the 12th May 2016, the Assembly starting at 6.30 pm and the meeting starting at 7.30pm
13. **Resolved 2:** That the May meeting be cancelled.

PARISH HALL

14. Members were advised of the recent meeting and a renewed request from the Eastergate Players for a refund of additional expenditure on hire caused by the lack of electricity supply to the stage. The report from the surveyor was still awaited and would be pursued by the Clerk. A grant towards the cost of refurbishment of the toilets would be pursued when all necessary quotes were obtained. It was considered necessary to seek advice as to the protection of the murals in the hall.
15. **Resolved:** That a donation of £42 (forty two pounds) be made to the Eastergate Players charity.

SPORTSFIELD

16. Members were informed of damaged guttering and down pipes around the pavilion and broken frame of the cricket nets. The clerk reported that he had requested quotes for a roundabout from two other suppliers but they were still awaited.
17. **Resolved 1:** That the Clerk liaise with the cricket club to arrange repairs.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

18. The Clerk had circulated the statements for December and January by e-mail and at the meeting. An internal audit would take place before July
19. **Resolved:** That the financial statements be approved and payments be authorised.

PRECEPT CALCULATION CONSULTATION PAPER

20. Members considered the consultation paper once again. After discussion it was agreed that the precept should increase by 1% over last years figures.

21. **Resolved:** That the Clerk notify ADC of a 1% increase in the precept figures.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

22. Members considered applications for grant aid. Members considered it appropriate to invite recipients of grants to attend the Annual Parish meeting to advise how the grants were spent.

23. **Resolved:** That grants of £200 (two hundred pounds) be given to the Parish Church Burial Fund, Parish News and Village Friends.

WAR MEMORIAL

24. Members were advised that a grant towards the cost was awaited.

REPORT OF MEETINGS OF OUTSIDE BODIES

25. A meeting of JDAC was referred to. A special seminar on flooding and drainage would be attended by councillors and local experts.

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN

26. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW

27. Members were advised that the review was completed, subject to review by the Clerk, and would then be placed before the council for adoption. The Chairman thanked Mrs Ballard and Messrs Cramp and New for their efforts in this work

28. **Resolved:** That the item be placed upon the agenda for the next meeting.

COMMUNICATION/WEBSITE

29. Members considered that the website co-ordinator should be invited to speak at a future meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

30. Min. 273 was considered. Members understood that sec. 106 monies likely to arise from Dandara were deferred due to the call in. It was considered appropriate for the council to request sufficient time to assess how best to spend such monies for the benefit of the parish in the future.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

31. None.

OPEN FORUM

32. None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

33. **Resolved:** The date of the next meeting will be 3rd March 2016.

Signed : Dated :