

EASTERGATE PARISH COUNCIL

6th October, 2016

At a Meeting held at Eastergate Parish Hall

PRESENT

Mrs L Ballard (Chairman), Mrs H Kilroy, Mr P Cramp, and Mr R New

County Councillor Mr D Whittington, District Councillor Mr R Hughes and 10 parishioners were in attendance

Apologies were received from Mr C Allington, Mr R Marsden and Mr D Phillips.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

254. The council was asked to explain what, if any, proposals had been discussed with Dandara in relation to the Fontwell Avenue site. The Chairman advised that there had been discussions that day and some proposals were likely. These would be placed before the NP team for their views before the council would make a decision. At present the Call in Inquiry would start on the 1st November, as planned. Members were asked to note the application of re-submission EG/53/16/HH where concern was expressed at the start of construction prior to permission being granted. In addition the family involved in EG/79/16/HH attended to advise of the need for the proposed extensions at Woodfield Place. Concern was expressed as to the failure to enforce conditions in regard to Upton Brooks and the Old Vicarage and the complainants were advised of the routes to take to press for enforcement from ADC. Concern was expressed as to a man in a silver Peugeot car who had been spotted loitering near the Walberton playing field. This had been reported to the police

MINUTES

255. **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2016, having been circulated, be taken as read and approved as a correct record and be signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS

256. County Councillor Mr Whittington advised members that he would be in attendance at the Remembrance Ceremony and advised regarding the proposed review of JDAC committees. A note was likely to be circulated. It was felt that the Church Commissioners were not in line with the actions of their land agents. However progress with regard to the cycleway improvement on footpath 321 had continued. Pedestrian Crossing requests had been received for the Brooks Nursery site which would likely not be able to be pursued although it was anticipated that a crossing would be installed to facilitate crossing of the Barnham Road near the Croft Surgery from development monies. District Councillor Hughes referred to Cala Homes' proposals in Aldinbourne parish and to a Local Plan briefing where flood risk analysis would be placed upon the ADC website. He advised that the housing need figure had now increased to 919, according to the councils' consultants.

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

257. Members were advised of a meeting of the BENP team to discuss any proposals from Dandara. There was a possibility of a reduction in the number of houses along with an increase in the amount of green space. It was understood that better facilities could be

provided and a likelihood of sec 106 contributions being used to benefit the parishes involved rather than ADC alone. There was likely to be a Statement of Common Ground with a revised plan, if there was any agreement. Mr New took no part in the discussion because he felt conflicted. Members considered that a discussion with the BENP team was necessary before any decision could be made. Members were advised of recent decisions and applications. It was noted that the loft extension, previously dealt with, had been refused. The garage which continued to be improved without planning permission, and in the face of ADC directions to remove the building, had received a refusal of a retrospective amended application. Members discussed the latest position relating to the Oving traffic lights and the need to contact the government officer dealing with the matter following refusal of Chichester councillors to agree their officer's advice. New applications being EG/70/A, EG/78/16/T and EG/79/HH were considered. Application EG/80/16/HH, in relation to a large extension, appeared satisfactory given the size of the plot and the lack of intrusion in the area. However, surface water drainage and sewerage removal was a concern. Members considered that it would be appropriate to invite an officer from ADC to the next meeting to discuss Sec 106 and CIL monies and the method of negotiation with developers. The Clerk advised that Tree Inspections by ADC contractors would be taking place and a response to previous requests for inspection at the sportsfield and open space were being pursued. Members felt unable to deal with the matter of the BENP Design Guide or the Memorial renovation in the absence of the members dealing with those matters

258. **Resolved 1:** That there be no objection to applications 70/16/A and 79/16 HH.
259. **Resolved 2:** That there be no objection to application 78/16/T but the ADC arboriculturalist be recommended to advise.
260. **Resolved 3:** That ADC be referred to concerns as to water and sewerage removal in accordance with the BENP policies in application 80/16/HH
261. **Resolved 4:** That the council support the retention of the Oving lights by letter to the government officer
262. **Resolved 5:** That there be repeated objection to application 53/16/HH with reference to proof of highway dangers referred to in the applicant's solicitors letter
263. **Resolved 6:** That an officer of ADC be asked to attend the next meeting to discuss Sec 106 and CIL payments.

CORRESPONDENCE

264. The Clerk circulated correspondence and referred to items previously delivered by e-mail. The Clerk also referred to a complaint relating to trees on the Open Space area in Farnhurst Road. This had been referred to the councils' contractor in June but had not been dealt with. Contact had now been made and the issue would be dealt with shortly.

SPORTSFIELD

265. Members were advised that the gate had been installed at the sportsfield car park but a padlock was still to be applied. A member stated that dog fouling appeared to on the increase. Members considered the annual renovation of the cricket square and the installation of CCTV cameras to deal with anticipated fly tipping.
266. **Resolved 1:** That the cricket square renovation be approved and payment of cost authorised.
267. **Resolved 2:** That the cost of installing CCTV be investigated and reported to the.

next meeting

PARISH HALL

268. Members were advised of matters raised at the recent Hall Committee meeting. Hall hire charges are to be increased by 5% from 1st October. The frontage area is to be “mulched” with bark chippings. Concern had been expressed as to gas charges received and it had been stated that child protection radiator covers were not allowing efficient heating of the hall. The surveyor appointed to consider improvements will be asked to consider insulation as part of his brief. CCTV cameras for prevention of fly tipping was discussed as was concern as to the ability of the Hall Manageress to undertake the necessary work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

269. The Clerk had circulated the statements for September by email and at the meeting. The statements were handwritten due to the council’s computer update not being completed. The council had passed the annual audit without adverse comment.
270. **Resolved 1:** That the financial statements be approved and payments be authorised.
271. **Resolved 2:** That the Clerk organise the completion of installation of all new equipment as soon as possible.

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

272. Members were advised that contact had still to be made with the Police, although the necessary request for road closure and traffic management had been delivered to ADC and WSCC. It was reported that the church were providing the PA system with help from Vera of the Parish Office.

MEETING OF OUTSIDE BODIES

273. None.

WEBSITE/COMMUNICATIONS

274. Due to shortage of members this was agreed to be placed upon the next meeting agenda.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

275. Members considered an invitation from Cala Homes to engage in regard to proposals in the neighbouring parish. Members agreed to a representatives of Kirten and Co and Cala Homes attending the next meeting to give an update and answer questions.

OPEN FORUM

276. Members were advised that youths had been noted passing significant amounts of cash in the area around the Parish Office and retirement homes. One youth appeared to be underage. It was felt that the police should be notified.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

277. **Resolved:** The date of the next meeting of the council will be the 3rd November 2016.

Signed : Dated :