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EASTERGATE PARISH COUNCIL

8th March, 2018

At a Meeting held at Eastergate Parish Hall

PRESENT

(Chairman) Mr C Allington, Mr P Cramp, Mrs H Kilroy and Mr D New.

District Councillor Mr C Hughes and 2 parishioners were in attendance

Apologies were received from County Councillor Mr D Whittington

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

32. None.

MINUTES

33. **Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2018, having been circulated, be taken as read and approved as a correct record, save that minute number 19 was amended by the Chairman, and be signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

34. District Councillor C Hughes advised members of a budget meeting where it was disclosed that there had been 810 new start-up businesses in the district. There was understood to be a General Fund balance of £8 million, with an increase in rates of just under 3%.

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

35. Members were advised of a number of applications, most of which were considered to be unobjectionable. Members were advised of application EG/18/18/T, a submission for tree works. Reference was made to an appeal in relation to EG/46/17/OUT, following refusal.

36. **Resolved:** The council request advice from the ADC Arboroculturalist

CORRESPONDENCE

37. The Chairman reported a forthcoming meeting with the parishes regarding the number of additional houses to be built. A meeting with BEWAG had been chased and applications would be discussed in March. Future liaison arrangements had gone to Cabinet on the 11th of December and a consultation had started on the 31st December. An update was expected shortly. Councillor Mr D New declared a full conflict of interest in development in the Fontwell Avenue area and advised that he had entered into an agreement with a developer for his land at Northfield Cottages. Councillor New offered his resignation from the Council but this was not accepted. Instead it was agreed that he would refrain from involvement in all planning matters until his own potential planning application has been dealt with. Members were advised that the council faced a continuing challenge to get the Neighbourhood Planning Team back on track. Correspondence from a parishioner relating to parking near the railway station and the possible introduction of a Residents Parking Zone was referred to and noted. Members considered a PROW report regarding footpath information. A letter relating to a Velo route was discussed but considered to be situate north of the A27 and there were, therefore, no comments. A letter from a

parishioner relating to Local Plan matters was discussed and, of course, the council has been actively engaged in the process for a long time and it was expected that the LP would be approved by the Inspector. A letter from Linden Homes was discussed relating to a development of 60 homes on Eastergate Fruit Farm. The houses had already been accepted within the present NP and it was considered appropriate to thank them for their courtesy and to remind them of the offer to re-lay the hall car park surface. The Clerk referred to a thank you letter received from the churches of ABE for the grants made.

PROJECT MANAGER AND CFM REPORTS

38. Members had received written reports from the above. Members were advised as to the success of a coffee morning and Easter breakfast. Discussions were to be had with a "sports in hall" charity. Members considered the Bid Tabulations presented and took the view that future spend would need to be prioritised. Mr Cramp abstained from the discussion relating to the second bid tabulation. There was discussion as to the need to arrange for the football club to bid for next season's use of the field and this was to be a topic for sub-committee meetings in the summer. Members considered the emergency approval of extended guttering repairs and this action was approved. The Project Manager mentioned the work to change e-mail addresses for GDPR purposes.
39. **Resolved 1:** Members noted the reports and agreed to the bid spend as presented.
40. **Resolved 2:** That payment for the extended guttering works be authorised.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY 2018

41. Members were advised that the Assembly would take place at Eastergate Hall on the 9th April starting at 6.30 pm. Members were advised that speakers were to confirm their attendance but the agenda would include the Local Plan and BEWAG as well as the proposed merger of the two parishes.

PARISH HALL

42. Members noted the report already circulated from the Facilities Manager.

SPORTSFIELD

43. Members were informed of a split tree which was considered a danger. It was noted that workers, local to the sportsfield, were using the car park for their purposes rather than for use of the sportsfield. The replacement benches were discussed as there was concern as to the suitability of the same. The need to engage with the users was emphasised. The rubber on the small swings was reported to be degrading and needed replacement.
44. **Resolved 1:** that the CFM speak with the workers regarding use of the car park.
45. **Resolved 2:** That a quote for the repair of the small swings be obtained.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

46. The Clerk had circulated the statements for February by e-mail and at the meeting. Members were advised as to progress with digital payments through the bank.
47. **Resolved:** That the financial statements be approved and payments be authorised.

WAR MEMORIAL

48. Members were advised that a Granddaughter of Cecil Godley had been in contact. She is going to muster more information about her Grandfather from her family and they were expected to attend the Remembrance Ceremony. Mr Marsden was obtaining quotes for the restoration of the lettering. A script would be provided for the church representative leading the ceremony.

COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

49. Members considered mail received relating to this Review. Members had discussed the matter earlier in the meeting.

GDPR

50. Members were advised that Renford Marsden would be the named Controller required by the new regulations. Members were advised that there was a fee of £40.00 to be paid to the Information Commissioners Office.
51. **Resolved:** That the fee be paid by Mr Marsden and refunded to him.

REPORT OF MEETINGS OF OUTSIDE BODIES

52. Members were advised of one meeting of JWAAC where it was reported that £330,000 had been kept back for grant funding. The process involved match funding and crowd funding. However it appeared that those involved had not appreciated that the Lottery Fund would not deal with the process proposed. Members were advised that there was a push for change, including major strategic matters to be placed on the agenda.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

53. The clerk advised that a report had been made to the police regarding the concerns as to drug dealing and use at Barnham Court as well as the Sportsfield car park. Members expressed concern as to the placement of cameras in Barnham Road without consultation with the council. It was understood that nothing further had been heard with regard to the movement of the Walberton Parish boundary.

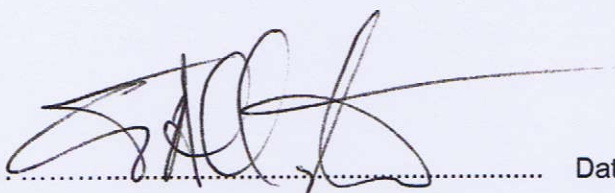
ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

54. None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

55. **Resolved:** The date of the next meeting will be 5th April 2018.

Signed



Dated :

5/4/18