

EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 11 JULY 2016 AT 7 PM IN EWSHOT VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr G Bredin (Chairman), Cllr B Cranstone and Cllr E Jennings

In Attendance: Alison Ball (Clerk), Cllr J Bennison (Hampshire County Council), Cllr A Clarke (Hart District Council) and 2 members of the public

Immediately prior to the commencement of the meeting Cllr Jennings signed her acceptance of office and the Chairman welcomed her to her first official meeting.

16/39	Apologies for Absence
	Cllr A Taylor (work) and Cllr T Wells (holiday).
	Cllr J Radley (Hart District Council).
16/40	Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of Ewshot Parish Council held on 13 June 2016
	RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 June 2016.
16/41	Matters arising from the Minutes
	(a) On Minute 16/27: it was advised that south east water did hold a consultation event on 5 July.
	(b) On Minute 16/35: Payments - it was noted that the payment of £504 to Lotus for the April grass cutting had not been issued as an invoice had not been received.
	(c) On Minute 16/36: Car Park Fencing Replacement - it was noted that Brian Cranstone had been instructed to carry out the work which had now been completed.
	(d) On Minute 16/38: Any other business - it was reported that the missing bollard at the junction of Church Lane and the A287 had been reported to Hampshire County Council (HCC) and it was requested that the missing bollard at the junction of Beacon Hill and Tadpole Lane also be reported.
16/42	Announcements from Chairman, Clerk and Members' Questions
	None

16/43	District and County Council Report
	<p>Cllr Clarke advised he had no items to report.</p> <p>County Council Report:-</p> <p>(a) Footway Maintenance: an additional section of footway between Redlands Lane and Doras Green Lane would be cleared.</p> <p>(b) Basingstoke Canal Joint Management Committee: at this meeting it had been advised that the canal would be closed in October for six months from the Dogmersfield landslip to Double Bridges so that repairs could take place.</p> <p>(c) Peacocks Garden Centre: Officers had recommended that this planning application be refused. It would be considered by the Regulatory Committee at HCC on 13 July. Cllr Bennison intended to attend the meeting and speak in favour of the officers recommendation for refusal.</p>

16/44	Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensations
	None.

16/45	Public Participation
	None

16/46	Planning
	<p>(a) REF: 16/01168/LDC Stillers Farm, Ewshot Lane, GU10 5BT The Old Dairy - Application for a Lawful Development for an existing use</p> <p>Councillors had been unable to access documents for this application on the Hart District Council website. It was agreed that this be looked into and a response be approved by email once councillors had been able to consider the details.</p> <p>(b) REF: 16/01624/HOU Laburnum Cottage, Bridle Path, GU10 5BW Extend above garage to the right hand side and above. The garage walls to be partially demolished. Replace the rear box dormers with gable dormers on the rear elevation. New dormer window in the front elevation to match the existing.</p> <p>Councillors requested that clarification be sought as to the provision for parking at the property and the increase in roof height. It was agreed that a response be approved by email once these details were available.</p>

	<p>(c) REF: 16/01687/S106 Redlands Farm, Redlands Lane, GU10 5AS Application for Modification or Discharge of a s106 variation of occupancy condition of HDC/3029 to include persons employed in horse related activities.</p> <p>Councillors understood that there was a reference in the original agreement for this property that ensured a section 106 payment would be made in the event that the restriction on the property was lifted and it could be used for general residential purposes. It was agreed that the position be clarified and a response be approved by email once these details were available.</p>
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16/47	Appointment to the Crookham Alms-houses
	<p>At the Annual General Meeting on 9 May Cllr Wells had been appointed to represent the Parish Council on the Crookham Almshouse Management Committee. Following this it was reported that Garry Shelford had previously been appointed to serve until 22 September 2017.</p> <p>Prior to the meeting Garry Shelford confirmed that he was willing to continue in this position and the Management Committee confirmed that the representative did not need to be a councillor or the clerk. Cllr Wells was happy for Garry to continue as the representative. The next meeting was due to take place in September and Garry would report to the Parish Council following this.</p> <p>It was noted that Garry Shelford would continue as the Parish Council's representative to the Crookham Almshouse Management Committee until the expiration of his term on 22 September 2017.</p>

16/48	Appointment to position of Temporary Grounds Caretaker
	<p>It was advised that Kim Taylor had agreed to carry out the role of Temporary Grounds Caretaker until November 2016. She started work on 17 June and had been issued with the necessary equipment.</p> <p>A draft contract was approved by Councillor Bredin and Councillor Wells and Kim had signed the document. It was requested that the contract be approved and signed by the Chairman.</p> <p>RESOLVED: To approve the appointment of Kim Taylor as Temporary Grounds Caretaker and that her contract be approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Bredin, seconded by Cllr Cranstone and agreed unanimously.</p>

16/49	Annual Safety Inspection of Play Area
	<p>The annual safety inspection of the play area had recently been carried out and the report had been circulated prior to the meeting by email.</p> <p>The report showed no issues with any of the new equipment but picked up some points relating to the wooden squirrel, the green and yellow spinners and the large embankment slide. All were assessed as low to medium risk.</p> <p>The report was noted and it was suggested that consideration be given to replacing all or part of the slide and that the original installers be contacted regarding the spinners.</p>
16/50	Tree Safety Inspection
	<p>Following the last meeting where this was discussed, the quote received had been amended to include not just the trees on the land at Broomhill but a tree in the play area and one on the recreation ground. Quotes had also been sought from other companies.</p> <p>A summary of the quotes received was presented to councillors for consideration. A discussion took place regarding other trees on land owned by the Parish Council and it was suggested that these also be included in the safety inspection.</p> <p>RESOLVED: (1) That 1st call trees be instructed to carry out the tree safety inspection on the three trees on the land at Broomhill, one tree in the play area and one tree on the recreation ground; and (2) That 1st call trees be requested to provide a quote to include all trees on council owned land. Proposed by Cllr Bredin, seconded by Cllr Cranstone and agreed unanimously.</p>
16/51	Tennis Court Signage
	<p>Following the discussion at the last meeting and the installation of temporary signage on the tennis court advising that it was for tennis only the clerk had received a quote for permanent signage.</p> <p>Having researched this type of signage it was clear that there were lots of options, depending how much information the Parish Council wanted the signs to contain.</p> <p>RESOLVED: (1) That the clerk and Cllr Jennings work together to produce appropriate signage for the tennis court; (2) That a maximum budget of £150 be set aside for this. Proposed by Cllr Bredin, seconded by Cllr Cranstone and agreed unanimously.</p>

16/52	Amendment to the Bank Mandate following co-option of Cllr Jennings
	<p>It was requested that approval be given to alter the bank mandate to include Cllr Jennings as a signatory.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the bank mandate be amended to include Cllr Jennings as a signatory. Proposed by Cllr Bredin, seconded by Cllr Cranstone and agreed unanimously.</p>

16/53	Lengthsman Scheme
	<p>During the last month several emails had been received providing details about the Lengthsman Scheme for 2016/17.</p> <p>The Parish Council was able to join a cluster, administered by the clerk at Newnham Parish Council, which would receive £1000 per parish council in the cluster and they would appoint a contractor and organise works across the parishes in the cluster. Alternatively the Parish Council could opt to do all work itself but no funding would be provided and a legal agreement would need to be signed which would set out the types of work that could be done.</p> <p>The councillors felt that they needed to discuss this further, at a meeting where all councillors were available to attend.</p>

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	<p>The following payments were approved and cheques signed:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>£</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>NDP Fencing – materials for car park fencing (cheque already signed)</td> <td>842.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Firmvalue Payrolls Ltd – July Payroll</td> <td>497.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Peter A Housdens – colour spray tennis court</td> <td>1,860.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lotus – June Grass cutting</td> <td>759.43</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Brian Cranstone – Car Park Fencing</td> <td>1125.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gary Bredin – reimbursement of safety equipment</td> <td>33.02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Firmvalue Payrolls Ltd – quarterly charge</td> <td>144.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Playsafety Limited – annual play area inspection</td> <td>109.20</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		£	NDP Fencing – materials for car park fencing (cheque already signed)	842.00	Firmvalue Payrolls Ltd – July Payroll	497.20	Peter A Housdens – colour spray tennis court	1,860.00	Lotus – June Grass cutting	759.43	Brian Cranstone – Car Park Fencing	1125.00	Gary Bredin – reimbursement of safety equipment	33.02	Firmvalue Payrolls Ltd – quarterly charge	144.00	Playsafety Limited – annual play area inspection	109.20
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16/55	Correspondence
	<p>The clerk made available a file containing the correspondence received during the month.</p>

16/56	Any other business
	<p>a) Ewshot Village Show: the clerk advised that a complaint had been received regarding noise from the Village Show. The complainant had been referred to the Village Show committee.</p> <p>b) Fruit Trees on the Recreation Ground: Cllr Bennison advised that the fruit trees on the recreation ground had been pruned. He believed that one or two of the trees had died and as they were originally planted by the Village Show Committee he asked whether they would be willing to replace them. Cllr Jennings agreed to pass on the request.</p>

The Meeting ended at 8.10 pm

Signed.....

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