

EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL

**THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 13 MAY 2019 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllrs Gary Bredin, Tim Wells, Alan Taylor & Eleanor Jennings

In Attendance: Susan Richardson (Acting Clerk)

19/1	Election of Chairman for the Municipal Year
	The presiding Chairman called for nominations for the position of Parish Chairman for the 2019-2020 term. Cllr Taylor proposed Cllr Bredin as Chairman of the Council. Cllr Wells seconded the proposal, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOVLED Cllr Bredin be duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year.
19/2	Declaration of Acceptance of Office by the Chairman
	Cllr Bredin signed the Declaration & Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by the Clerk as the Proper Officer.
19/3	Election of Vice Chairman for the Municipal Year
	The Chairman called for nominations for the position of Parish Vice Chairman for the 2019-2020 term. Cllr Bredin proposed Cllr Wells as Vice Chairman of the Council. Cllr Jennings seconded the proposal, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOLVED Cllr Wells be duly elected as Chairman for the ensuing year. Cllr Wells signed the Declaration of Office, which was witness by the Clerk.
19/4	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Brian Crantone and Hampshire County Councillor, John Bennison.
19/5	To Ratify the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 8 April 2019
	Cllr Bredin proposed that minutes 18/215 to 18/228 are accepted as a true record of that Council meeting held on the 8 April 2019. Cllr Wells seconded the proposal, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOLVED that the Chairman sign the minutes.
19/6	Matters Arising from the Minutes
	None.
19/7	Announcements from Chairman, Clerk and Members' Questions
	None

19/8	District & County Council Reports
	No Cllrs were present from HDC or HCC.
19/9	Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest
19/10	Public Participation
	There were no members of the public present this evening.
19/11	Planning Applications
	<p>a. 19/00815/HOU Ewshot Hall, Heath Lane, Ewshot, Farnham for proposed garage with first floor ancillary residential space. Comments by 13 May. It was RESOLVED to offer no objection to this planning application.</p> <p>b. 19/00778/HOU 7 Fox Way, Ewshot, Farnham for erection of a single storey rear extension, and new replacement windows. Comments by 13 May. It was RESOLVED to offer no objection to this planning application.</p>
19/12	Traffic Calming for Village & Community Speedwatch
	<p>The initial proposal for improved 30mph repeater signing at Church Lane, circulated to all, was discussed. As previously, recorded, Ian Janes from Hampshire's Traffic Management department attended site and offered to replace some of the existing posts enabling them to accommodate a SID/SLR device. The proposal was unanimously approved and The Clerk was asked to write to Ian Janes accordingly. Discussion on the types of SLR/SID devices on the market was discussed and the Clerk was asked to ask Ian Janes what devices Hampshire recommend. Members acknowledge that purchasing EPC's own SID/SLR would cost in the region of £5,000.</p> <p>Post Meeting Note: The Clerk obtained recommendations from Ian Janes and forwarded to Cllr Jennings.</p>
19/13	S106 Funding
	<p>Cllr Wells confirmed that he had not been able to reach Daryl Phillips despite continued attempts, over several months. However, he has spoken to a very helpful guy in Countryside Services. He will follow this up with an email. The Chairman asked for himself and the Clerk to be copied in on the email for continuity. Post Meeting Note - A meeting between the Chairman and Adam Green of HDC's, Countryside Services on the 26 June.</p>
19/14	Finance
	<p>a. VAT Reclaim 1st April 2018 - 31st March 2019 the Acting Clerk confirmed that a YE VAT Reclaim had been submitted to HM Revenue & Customs in the sum of £1,145.54. Post Meeting Note - VAT refund has been received.</p>

	<p>b. To Approve & Adopt the Financial Reserves Policy - Cllr Wells proposed that, his previously circulated Financial Reserves Policy for Ewshot Parish Council be adopted. Cllr Jennings seconded the proposal and, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOLVED to adopt the Financial Reserves Policy, as presented.</p>												
	<p>c. To Approve payments for approval - Cllr Bredin proposed that the payments listed, below, be approved for payment. Cllr Wells seconded the proposal, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOVLED to approve the payments listed.</p>												
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19/15	Correspondence
	<p>a. Email from a resident regarding the Tennis Net header wire which has been broken. A temporary repair has been undertaken. The Clerk was asked to source a replacement wire to EPC to fit.</p>

19/16	Any Other Business
	<p>a. Car Park Entrance Pot Hole - The large pothole at the entrance to the Village Hall car park was raised as a safety concern ahead of the Pedal Heaven event due to take place on the 26 May. The Clerk confirmed that she & the Chairman were able to authorise, Financial Regulations 4.1, spend, of up to £500, to facilitate a safety repair. Cllr Bredin very kindly offered to obtain some scalplings, from Jewson or similar, and carry out the work on EPC's behalf. Members expressed their thanks.</p>
	<p>b. Meeting with Hampshire Highways, Principal Engineer James Holt - The Chairman met with James Holt of Hampshire Highways on the 26 April to discuss the drainage in Dares Lane, ditches and verges along with other highway concerns around the village. Mr Holt is very happy to meet with the Chairman on a regular basis going forward. The Chairman thanked the Clerk for introducing James directly to EPC and facilitating the meeting. Works are scheduled for the bottom of Dares Lane where it joins the A287. Ditches and verges will be repaired</p>
	<p>c. Village Defibrillator - The Chairman confirmed that new pads had recently been fitted to the defibrillator. A replacement spare set will be sought as a matter of urgency from Community Heartbeat Trust.</p>
	<p>d. Lengthsman 2019/2020 - The Clerk confirmed that she had contacted the Lengthsman Administrator in order to obtain the Contract for 2019-2020.</p>

	<p>The Clerk also confirmed that EPC carry over a total of 19 hours into the 2019-2020 year. The Lengthsman will be asked to contact the Chairman in order to discuss some ditch clearance currently required.</p>
	<p>e. Firmvalue Fees - The Clerk confirmed that Firmvalue Payrolls have advised of their intention to increase their quarterly fees with effect from the 1st of April 2019 from £160.00 plus V.A.T. to £225.00 plus VAT. This was deemed a disproportionate increase and Cllr Wells offered to look into alternative suppliers before the July, thus allow second quarter change.</p>
	<p>f. War Memorial, Ewshot - An email regarding the Ewshot War Memorial received by the Clerk on the 27 April had been forward to members for their comments. The ownership is unknown. It does not appear on EPC's Asset Register. EPC members confirmed that the Parish Council would happily take on the maintenance. Further questions will be asked in an attempt to locate its recorded 'owner'. It may be owned by Crondall Parish Council before the Parishes separated. Cllr Bredin offered to speak to the church warden regarding any old parish records.</p>
	<p>g. Flowers & Hanging Baskets - Cllr Bredin proposed that £200 be approved for the purchase of plants for the hanging baskets around the village. Cllr Taylor seconded the proposal and, by a unanimous show of hands It was RESOLVED to allocate £200 to the purchase of plants. Cllr Taylor kindly offered to undertake the replanting. Members expressed their thanks.</p>
19/17	<p>Date of the Next Meeting - Monday the 9 June 2019 @ 7.00 p.m. Post Meeting Note - The next meeting of Ewshot Parish Council will be held on Monday 24 June 2019 @ 7.00 p.m.</p>

The meeting ended at 7.55 p.m.

Signed.....

Dated