

# EAST ALLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

The meeting was preceded by the Forum recorded on a separate sheet.

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr. Soper, Cllr. Hannaford, Cllr. Flack, Cllr. Northrop, Cllr. Wotton, Cllr. Toorneini. Also in attendance D.C. Cllr. Brazil and D.Cllr. Ms. Lawford.

16/6 23 APOLOGIES: Cllr. Ms McCoy.

17/6 23 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Agreed.

18/6 23 MATTERS ARISING: Graffiti. Clerk was sourcing a Cleaner. So far the only reply had been a firm in Richmond, Surrey. SHDC and Livewest have their own in house cleaners but neither will do it and say it is the responsibility of the owner. Clerk will advertise further.

19/6 23 CORRESPONDENCE: Circulated. Letter from Mrs. Weeks with photographs was read to the Council. The wanton damage done at the Football Field and the distress caused to her husband when trying to catch the culprits was unacceptable and the Council wish to register their anger and sympathy. This letter will be forwarded to Mr. John Ward with a letter from the Council requesting that urgent and firm action is taken to deal with those identified as responsible. The Council will also ask Mr. Ward to help draft a flyer setting out his role and the penalties for anti-social behaviour which can then be delivered to all houses. Cllr. Wotton asked about Neighbourhood Watch, and suggested CCTV. The Council wish to explore the possibility of installing CCTV cameras to cover the Football field and recreation area to enable identification of persons committing any further acts of vandalism. Clerk to action.

20/6 23 PLANNING: 0925/23/FUL Kevin Bate, Wulfswell Farm, 2 Agricultural Buildings Chairman declared interest and left the room. Vice Chairman Cllr. Hannaford took the chair for this item. After discussion it was put to the vote and carried unanimously no objection. Chairman returned. 4021/22/FUL Alex Parsons, Storage Barn, land at the end of higher Poole Lane. There was no material change in this application from the previous one and after consideration the Council wish to restate their objection and again query the address. Unanimous OBJECT. 4 2023/24

21/6 23 REPORT FROM COUNTY CLLR.BRAZIL: As the new Leader of South Hams District Council there was much work to be done. The County Highways has a 13million deficit. Chairman Cllr. Soper demanded to know why it had taken so long, and the road had been closed, to carry out the work on a culvert at Halwell causing great inconvenience to so many. Cllr. Brazil will look into it.

22/6 23 REPORT FROM DISTRICT CLLR. LAWFORD: With the new Council under Liberal Democrat control there was much organisational change taking place and Cllr. Lawford would be able to convey information more at our next meeting. Housing will be high on the Agenda.

At this point D.C.Cllr Brazil and D.Cllr Lawford left for another meeting.

23/6 23 REPORT FROM PARISH HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: The annual show entry forms would be in the next issue of the magazine and all preparations were in hand. It is hoped that there would be a good entry for the 12<sup>th</sup> August.

24/6 23 REPORT FROM RECREATION AREA: Some small damage has again been done and repairs ordered. Major changes to the area and upgrading will be considered and we have £5000 106 contribution for the recreation area but we await the outcome of the present planning application which may alter any plans.

25/6 23 REPORT FROM COMMUNITY SHOP: The Shop Manager has left and it has been necessary to overhaul much with the help and assistance of a voluntary temporary Manager Hilary Bloomfield, overhaul of stock, restocking, accounts put in order, debtors list compiled, write- offs of debts have all been necessary. The accounts will be submitted to an Auditor and when the loss of stock (out of date) and all other matters are sorted they will be presented to a public meeting.

26/6 23 REPORT RE SSH AND TREE WARDENS: Cllr. Northrop and David Hogarth were proposed and seconded formally to represent this Council on SSH. They will also attend a strimming course for Tree Wardens.

27/6 23 ACCOUNTS: Current £13651. Deposit re Allotments £14745.

28/6 23 PAYMENTS: j. Turrell, sal. & Exp. £300; N. Culhane, Highway Consultant £1500; BT £52.46; Zurich Insurance £309.12; (£824.12. Temp Loan Hall Ins.)

29/6 23 MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD AT DISCRETION OF CHAIRMAN: The untidy appearance of some of the gardens on Lister Way and one community parking area were he felt a disgrace and he was supported in this P5 2023/24

view by some other Councillors. Clerk to write to LiveWest and ask them to carry out an inspection of the estate and take action where necessary.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. P6 2023/24