



EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL

WITH ELLENS GREEN

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EWHURST PARISH COUNCIL WITH ELLENS GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.45 PM ON MONDAY 17TH JULY 2017 AT THE EYSC.

Attendees: Mike Turner (Chairman; Val Dixon Henry; Elaine Benson; Rob Matthews.

Jane Bromley Parish Council Clerk. Five members of the public.

- 148 (2017) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Parish Councillors, Tom Fawcett; Richard Cleaves; Ian Davis; Julie Francis.
- 149 (2017) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None declared.
- 150 (2017) MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19th June 2017. The Parish Council Resolved to approve the minutes as an accurate account of the meetings.
- 151 (2017) CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT. The Chairman had met with the new Surrey County Councillor Andrew Povey.
- 152 (2017) ADJOURNMENT: No speakers.
- 153 (2017) APPENDIX 1 THE PLANNING COMMITTEE. The observations from meetings over the last month were noted.
- 154 (2017) PLANNING APPLICATIONS: The following planning applications for the Parish Council's consideration and submission to WBC of planning observations.
- WA/17/0369** - Land at Firethorn Farm
Amended Plans. The amendments include a reduction of 5 dwellings and, with this, there is a change to the indicative layout. The applicants have also shown a greater buffer with the open Countryside along the eastern boundary.
The comments previously submitted were to be amended to include serious danger of contributing to flooding problems along Plough Lane, inappropriate density of housing, and amended access appears even more hazardous and unacceptable. **ACTION CLERK**
- WA/2017/1090** Rumbeams Farm, The Green.
Change of use and alterations to existing barn to provide an independent dwelling, extensions and alterations to existing outbuilding to provide car part together with a change of use of other out buildings from equestrian to ancillary domestic storage, (revision of WA/2016/2145).
The Parish Council are happy to support this application so long as the integrity of the heritage property is not compromised.
- WA/2017/1137** 6 Coneyhurst Cottages, Coneyhurst Lane.
Certificate of lawfulness under Section 192 for the erection of a single storey rear extension.
The Parish Council note this application.
- 155 (2017) APPENDIX 2 RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS for June 2017 for comment and statement of expenditure compared to budget for the first quarter of the Parish Council year. There were no comments.
- 156 (2017) NOMINATIONS FOR CO OPTION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE PARISH COUNCIL. There were no nominations to date. There were no nominations as yet.
- 157 (2017) REGISTERS OF INTEREST. The Parish Council members to pass to the Clerk hard copies of their Registers of Interest if they have not already done so. A further Register of interest was received by the Clerk.
- 158 (2017) REPORTS – **Richard Cleaves** – Finance and Extra Maintenance.
Finance. The allotted budgets are all on track so far.
If any councillors have any new project ideas, they could be financed out of capital, depending on it being within budgets constraints.
Tennis Courts. Some surface marks need to be investigated, a meeting with contractors is being arranged. All the new nets and posts have been installed. Numbers of tennis players has increased, and some are even paying!
EYSC. New Yale lock installed on the upstairs door, to prevent lock ins.
Village hall car park. Further investigations with a contractor into the post installation, means an increase of post numbers, reduced the post diameters to keep the cost within budget.
Village Notice boards. The cork boards are being fixed on the boards, to ease notice pinning.

Key boxes. I recommend the EYSC & Village hall keys boxes, access codes should be given to all councillors, via email. **ACTION CLERK**

Julie Francis - Ground Maintenance. No report.

Val Dixon Henry – Planning.

The appeal regarding the Land near Pennings had been dismissed.

WBC had stated that they had no high rise buildings and no building using the same cladding as the Grenfell Tower.

Blue badge holders are at the moment still able to park for free in Waverley Car Parks although this is a subject for consultation and could change at the end of the summer.

Elaine Benson – Community.

A second AED had kindly been offered to the community and before accepting this Cllr Benson was sorting out the management and monitoring procedure with St Johns ambulance.

Ian Davis - Community Liaison.

I had a successful meeting with the football clubs and they have new personnel who seem a little more dedicated to the admin. They gave a commitment to remove the ironwork from the perimeter of the recreation ground.

Robert Matthews - Rights of Way, Tennis.

FP511 where the kissing gate had been reported as constructed incorrectly had been inspected by SCC. They confirmed the kissing gate was in the correct position but the landowner's fence was not. This has now been rectified.

The redundant kissing gate at Mapledrakes Farm was inspected but it was not possible to remove this and use it elsewhere as had been suggested.

Cllr Matthews again mentioned the weeds around the perimeter of the tennis courts and although it had been established this had been booked in to be sprayed soon it would appear that insufficient sprayings were allowed as the weeds were very bad. The contract needed to allow for more spraying next year and also for the hard standing to the right of the tennis courts to be brushed regularly. In the meantime this year the Clerk would ask the Village Caretaker to brush the hard standing which had become covered in grit following rainfall. **ACTION CLERK**

The tennis coaching was going well and the coach was excellent.

Mike Turner - Website, Communications and Highways.

The first draft of the website had been circulated and all who had viewed it were happy.

With regard to the traffic congestion and parking problem at the end of The Glebe and Mapledrakes Cllr Turner had had a discussion with SCC Highways. Although SCC Highways were keen to lay yellow lines it had been established this would not be the residents' choice. Cllr Turner had suggested bollards to prevent parking on the curb and SCC Povey would try to help with this.

Tom Fawcett – Parish Buildings.

The Vehicle speed sign (the VAS) has been situated on the bend where the Cranleigh Road meets The Street for a month and it will be moved again when I am back in the UK. From 21st June to 9th July the stats showed 46,585 vehicles passed into Ewhurst in this 30 mph limit. The maximum speed was 65 mph but the average speed was 30.1 mph.

The police have set up a small device called an SDR (Speed Data Recorder) on the post by the letterbox on the Cranleigh Road near Penlan. They are taking readings between 13th July to 20th July. This will capture traffic passing in BOTH directions and will provide the police with the speed, size of vehicle, direction and time captured data. Steve Milford of Surrey and Sussex Police will report back with the results. The device will be removed on 20th July.

As a general point, the PC need to be aware there appears to be a small square box (perhaps an old GPO box) sticking out on the narrow pavement down the side of the old post office. Cllr Henry was to take a look at this. **ACTION V D-H**

159 (2017) PARISH CLERK REPORT-. Nothing to report.

160 (2017) APPENDIX 3 -LAROH, CRANLEIGH ROAD - GAS INSTALLATION PIPE. The Parish Council are recommended to approve the laying down of the gas pipe beneath the bowls club entrance driveway to Laroh and to authorise the Clerk to sign the consent form.

Proposed by Cllr Turner seconded by Cllr Benson and all in favour. The consent form was signed and witnessed.

- 161 (2017) APPENDIX 4 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – The Consultants had commenced work. The next meeting of the Steering Group was scheduled for the end of August and a resident consultation was expected to be carried out on the criteria mapping in September. Cllr Benson suggested an update on the process for the notice-boards and website. **ACTION MT**
- 162(2017) WATER PIPES IN CRANLEIGH AND EWHURST- On the matter of the asbestos water supply pipes to the Village, these have been independently tested and found to contain some ‘blue asbestos’ which is not good news. I have been invited to attend a meeting on 24th July by Cranleigh Civic Society, with Anne Milton, to discuss the situation. I will attend on behalf of the Parish and report back.
- 163 (2017) GLEBE CENTRE – WBC legal team are working on the agreement documents and a 5 year lease is anticipated.
- 164(2017) APPENDIX 5 PROPOSED CLOSURE OF CRANLEIGH RECYCLING CENTRE- The Parish Council to discuss and formulate comments with regard to the proposal to close this site.
The Parish Council found it difficult to see what SCC were thinking of closing this facility with all the additional housing coming into the community and the increase in traffic that would be caused if residents had to make the journey to Slyfield or Witley to get rid of their rubbish. SCC A Povey was lobbying for the Elmbridge site to stay open for a minimum of three days but this minimum was thought not to be sufficient. A resident suggested that also contributions to charity from the site were valuable in the area and as geographical distance was a precursor to such donations then many local charities would suffer as a consequence of its closure. The Clerk was instructed to respond to the consultation with the above in mind. **ACTION CLERK**
- 165 (2017) APPENDIX 6 WBC LOCAL PLAN PART II – The Parish Council to review the comments put forward by Cllr Davis and to agree or amend the comments for submission by 24th July 2017.
The comments set out by Cllr Davis were agreed. Proposed Cllr Turner and seconded Cllr Benson all in favour. The Clerk was instructed to submit the comments as follows:
“Ewhurst and Ellens Green Parish Council is pleased to support the aims of the Waverley Local Plan Part 2. In particular we are looking to our Neighbourhood Plan to allocate suitable sites for the provision of new housing and to review our village settlement boundary. We are pleased to see that countryside beyond the Green Belt will continue to be protected against inappropriate development. In addition, the Parish will seek to identify and protect its community assets, serving local needs, and manage its role in providing a gateway to the Surrey Hills. The Parish will work with the Borough Council to identify and preserve the special character of the area. Brownfield sites within the area will be reviewed and considered within the Neighbourhood Plan process and brought to the Council’s attention, as will areas for local Green Space designation.”
- 166(2017) APPENDIX 7 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AMENDMENT- The Parish Council are recommended to approve the amended Financial Regulations to allow Councillor sign off of capital projects before a final payment for the project is made. The amendment at 3.7
Proposed by Cllr Turner seconded by Cllr Benson and all in favour.
- 167(2017) FLY TIPPING AT LARKFIELD & THE GREEN – A resident offered to clear the existing garden debris that had accumulated on The Green and the Parish Council were to post notices through near neighbours’ doors to ask for the practice to cease. The Parish Council to consider a notice saying “No Fly Tipping” if there was no improvement in the situation following these actions. **ACTION CLERK**
- 168(2017) APPENDIX 8 Community Assets: Consideration of applications for Community Asset to be made in respect of those buildings and land use contained in the appendix.
The Parish Council reviewed the list and proposed the following community assets to be nominated as such to WBC.
Sayers Croft Outdoor Learning Centre; Hazelbank Stores; Ewhurst Village Club and Ewhurst Rifle Club. The Clerk was instructed to inform the originator of the list and request reasons for nomination together with a boundary plan. **ACTION CLERK**
- 166 (2017) PARISH BUSINESS; - Items for general discussion.
Cllr Turner was to instruct a contractor to clean the signs around the village.
Cllr Turner was to be nominated by Cllr Henry to the school for the position of school governor.
- 167 (2017) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING of the Parish Council, 18th September 2017
Glebe centre parking.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.