



EVENLEY
PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held at Evenley Village Hall, on Monday 4th July 2016 at 7:30pm

Present: Mike Baul (MB), Spencer Burnham (SB), Cathy Ellis (CE) Vice Chair, Nic Hamblin (NH), Jean Morgan (JM) Chair, Jeff Peyton-Bruhl (JPB), Cathy Knott (CK) Clerk and 22 members of the public.

20/16 Apologies and welcome

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Lisa Proffitt and Cllr Ron Sawbridge

21/16 Declarations of interests

None declared.

22/16 To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 16th May and the extraordinary meetings held on 23rd May and 13th June 2016

The minutes were agreed and signed.

23/16 Public Participation session

Mr Derek Haynes voiced his concerns over the proposed development to the rear of The Red Lion. He said the information sent out to residents was incorrect and misleading with no suggestion of access and there was not a sufficient amount of time to give proper feedback during the consultation period. He advised that the site could take more than 12 units and the parking is already a problem with the road surface already breaking up.

Mr Alex Crisp also voiced his concerns over the proposed development. He quoted from last year's Parish Plan – "The Parish Council strongly supports the village confines" and said regarding site 7, it was highly unlikely anyone would support the 80 -100 homes in Broad Lane. He said residents should have been given better opportunity to give their views with more notice, and should have organised a public meeting that wasn't behind closed doors.

Mr Richard Gibbons said he was amazed at the Parish Council's proposal to support the site to the rear of the Red Lion. The traffic via School Lane and Rudge way is already a problem. He asked how big was a small development? He felt the Parish Council had not treated this issue seriously and residents should have had longer to respond and reiterated there should have been a public meeting.

Mr Bill Edwards said regarding the site in question, there are safety and access issues. The junction is already very dangerous and there will be a heavy increase in traffic.

Mrs Kate Tuckey advised that there are already 18 houses in School Lane with no allocated parking.

Mrs Julia Jennings reported that 3 allotments are not being managed properly.

24/16 Matters Arising

The Clerk has decided against processing invoices for regular payees without seeking prior approval, following advice from the internal auditor.

The PC has received evidence of insurance for the village hall after June 1st 2016 from the Village Hall Management Committee.

Communications have been received from the Revd Simon Dommett regarding parking near the Church and a letter has been received from Evenley Cricket Club regarding courtesy calls to properties damaged by cricket balls etc.

The PC have responded to SNC's Local Plan Part 2A. Chair JM reminded residents that the Parish Council is not the Local Planning Authority. SNC organised a three month public consultation asking the PC for their views on sites that had been submitted (for example, the land behind The Red Lion

was submitted in January 2014), as well as any other potential housing sites. The information is all on the SNC website. The field opposite the Pocket Park had been suggested by a parishioner.

The consultation was looking at 3 main issues:

- The number of houses to be built before 2029.
- Sites already submitted
- Village confines – (the last survey was carried out in 1997)

The PC felt that some sites were worth consideration if planning and access problems could be overcome.

25/16 Finance

a) Financial statement – balances were agreed.

The Clerk asked for approval to amend the signatory details with Unity Bank. Councillors agreed and approved.

b) Payments received - the payments received were proposed and agreed.

c) Approval of invoices for payment - invoices were proposed and agreed to be paid.

Account	Balances as at 05.07.16
Community	£6158.66
Business Saver	£16094.30
National Savings	£5684.29
TOTAL	£27,937.25

Payments

19/05/2016	Media Tribe	Web-hosting for 1st year	150
01/06/2016	Unity Trust Bank	Bank charge	5
01/06/2016	Kirsty Buttle	Salary & Expenses	106.66
01/06/2016	HMRC	Tax	19
03/06/2016	Cathy Knott	Salary Apr/May	667
03/06/2016	Cathy Knott	Expenses & Travel	79.33
03/06/2016	Media Tribe	50% stage 2 fee	500
07/06/2016	Evenley Village Hall	Hire of hall	46.5
07/06/2016	Bosherlay	Web hosting	80
07/06/2016	Texprep	Printing SLC consult	189.82
10/06/2016	South Northants Area Support Team	Annual donation	10.00
04/07/2016	Anglian Water	Allotment charge	16.16
04/07/2016	Evenley Village Hall	Hire of hall	61.50
04/07/2016	Cathy Knott	Salary June	719.00
04/07/2016	Cathy Knott	Expenses & travel	69.59
04/07/2016	Bosherlay	Web hosting	38.00
04/07/2016	Mike Bosher	Postage costs	11.00

Receipts

06/06/2016	HMRC	VAT refund	954.08
13/06/2016	Hamblin	Allotment rent	46.8
20/06/2016	Unger	Allotment rent	72.31
30/06/2016	Interest	Bank	4.04

26/16 Consideration of additional street lighting expenditure

Chair JM advised that the previous PC had started a programme for renewing street lights around The Green and a lot of work has happened to bring in Victorian style lamps. We would like to continue and conclude this work.

We have received quotes from E.ON (circulated)

- Reposition existing light on the village hall

To remove light from existing position & reinstall on the other side of the village hall
£250.00 (excl. VAT)

All Councillors were in agreement to have this work carried out but asked the Clerk to make sure the replacement would have LED fittings.

- Replace light opposite The Red Lion with decorative lantern

To remove existing lantern & pole bracket & to supply & install new decorative lantern & pole bracket would be £950.00 (excl. VAT)

Or

To remove existing lantern, bracket & wooden pole to tip & to supply & install black column complete with decorative lantern would be £1250.00 (excl. VAT)

To transfer supply from to new column would be £380.00 (excl. VAT)

All Councillors were in agreement with the latter option but asked the clerk to confirm details and check that the lantern would have fittings suitable for LED bulbs.

- Lantern replacements

To remove existing lanterns to tip and to supply & install Orangetek ArialLED 20W lantern would be £330.00 each (excl. VAT).

To remove existing metal enclosure & to supply & install new pole bracket complete with new service box & reconnect overhead unmetered supply would be £250.00 each (excl. VAT).

All Councillors agreed to trial the new light opposite the pub before replacing any further lights. *Action: CK*

Chair JM asked the Clerk to conduct a comprehensive survey, including photographic records, of all streetlights in Evenley as it is thought the last survey took place in 2005.

Action: CK

27/16 Receive the accounts from EVHMC

The Parish Council received the accounts (a requirement of the deeds of Trustees).

Chair JM advised that we should write to Tony Stevens to thank him for these and write to Jacky Alder congratulating her on becoming Chair. *Action: CK/JM*

28/16 Splat update – Village Family Day on The Green 22.08.16

The Clerk advised Councillors of the details. There will be activities on The Green in the afternoon of Monday 22nd August, run by SNC Leisure Co-ordinators. Posters will go up nearer the time. CK will check toilet availability at the hall and will write to the Cricket Club to advise them of the event.

Action: CK

29/16 Councillor reports:

a. Allotments (LP)

CK reported on behalf of LP that no one had responded to the advert for half a plot. She has asked for approval to advertise in Brackley. Councillors approved.

A resident voiced concerns (during item 23/16) that there are 3 plots not being managed. NH advised they would look into this and if needed would write to the tenants informing them of notice of termination. *Action: LP/NH*

b. Pocket Park (NH)

NH had nothing to report. Chair JM asked NH if he would approach the Wildlife Trust to ask how much a management plan would cost. *Action: NH*

c. Street Lighting (LP & MB) + info from the Clerk -see item 26/16

d. Village Hall (JPB)

JPB reported that he had unfortunately missed the EVHMC AGM but had been very involved in getting a maintenance survey done, which he had passed onto the new committee to action.

Works need to be done as soon as possible as the roof is in a bad state. Chair JM noted that the EVHMC accounts had reserves of some £11,000.00 and said we need to remind them of the PC's newly approved Grants/Donations Policy. They need to obtain quotes to give them an idea of how much they need and then apply for funding.

e. Website planning (MB)

MB reported that we are still using the existing website (provided by Mike Boshier) but the new website is 95% complete. It is up and running but not yet live. It will go live week beginning 25th July when there will be a switch over from the existing one to the new one (keeping the same domain address) and there may be a few teething issues at first to overcome. The new website is not purely EPC, there are lots of other areas, but the first stage is getting all the legal information onto the website. Second stage will focus on developing the calendar etc.

JM thanked MB for all the work he has put into this project.

CE asked if we should find out how many people can access the website. Perhaps we need to look into funding schemes to bring wi-fi into the village hall or shop.

f. Village Green and Trees (CE & SB)

CE reported that she and SB will be making a photographic directory of all benches, trees and bins. CK has asked Highways if they own any trees in Evenley and is awaiting their reply. The Cricket Club have been maintaining the grass on The Green and the picnic table is being very well used.

g. Newsletter (CE)

CE reported that the next newsletter would go out in September following the village fete on 3rd September. MB advised that the ERA had discussed a joint newsletter and were happy to join the PC and provide content. There will now be one newsletter for the parish and all clubs, societies and the church will be approached for information.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Chair JM introduced Brian Sinclair, our Highways & HS2 Representative, to give a report. Brian has attended the HS2 Steering Group meetings and advised that HS2 Ltd is only 10% into the design but an enormous amount of machinery is in place. All questions raised have been taken into account and are being acted upon. Highways England are very aware of concerns regarding traffic, especially on the A43, where, in 2017 works will start on the Croughton development (see under 30/16 below). More information is available from Brian via email on BRSEdit@aol.com

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED

Chair JM advised that the Community Enhancement Gang would be coming to Evenley on Thursday to carry out works to footways and will be cutting back vegetation etc. JM will meet them at Church Leys at 8.00 am.

CE asked if we could write to SNC asking when the road sweeper is coming, so that we can give notice to residents. **Action: CK**

It has been noted there are a lot of weeds in footways around the village. It was agreed to ask Dempsey Ground & Maintenance for a quote to spray and clear them. **Action: CK**

CE thanked Kevin & Carrie O'Regan, Jackie Fox, Sue Waller, Chris Hart and all who helped with Clean for the Queen.

30/16 Planning notices received:

S/2016/0791/MAF	Erection of operational buildings and associated development including access road, car parking area, external plant, hard and soft landscaping, hardstanding areas and infiltration basin Location: RAF Croughton, Brackley	Notification of opportunity to attend Development Control Committee 2.15pm on 30 June 2016
S/2016/1469/LBC	Replacement sliding sash windows with double glazing Location: 9 The Green Evenley NN13 5SQ	If you have any comments to make, please make them by 13 July 2016

Planning decisions received:

S/2016/0791/MAF	RAF Croughton. Erection of operational buildings and associated development including access road, car parking area, external plant, hard and soft landscaping, hardstanding areas and infiltration basin.	Approved by SNC
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31/16 Councillor Questions

Chair JM went back to comments raised during item 24/16 and advised that the SNC consultation is all part of the national plan that has been available on their website since April. They have asked all parishes to advise them of any sites suitable for housing as part of their local plan. If a landowner owns a field that is suitable or if there is land that is semi derelict it should be put into the public domain. The land to the rear of The Red Lion has been in the public domain since 2014, although it is still under consideration by the Local Planning Authority (SNC) and there is no planning application for this site at the present time.

SNC had asked the PC to respond to their request and we took residents' views forward and gave the majority decision in our response. All responses received from the public were tabulated and forwarded to SNC.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

A member of the public asked to respond to this. Chair JM advised that we would continue the dialogue after the meeting had closed.

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED

SNC are now inviting us to participate in the Strategic Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment consultation. If you would like to comment on this please see the following:

How to view the consultation documents:

The consultation documents can be viewed on our webpage at www.southnorthants.gov.uk/planningpolicy. Reference copies of the consultation documents are also available to view at the following locations:

- The Forum, Towcester
- Brackley Library
- Middleton Cheney library
- Roade library
- Deanshanger library

Tell us what you think by:

- Registering and responding via our online consultation system (this is the most efficient way of responding to the consultation and we encourage you to use this method). You can access this online consultation system via the Council website

www.southnorthants.gov.uk/planningpolicy

- Emailing us on planning.policy@southnorthants.gov.uk

However if you are unable to provide your comments using the Council's interactive consultation system you can submit your comments by post to the address below:

Planning Policy Team
South Northamptonshire Council;
The Forum, Moat Lane,
Towcester NN12 6AD

You can keep up-to-date with our progress by visiting our website.

The consultation is open from 4th July to 12th August 2016 at 12:00.

An email has been received from a resident on Broad Lane regarding flooding. All Councillors agreed for CK to write to Highways in support and ask if the blockage in the drain can be tackled.

Action: CK

The meeting closed at 20:49