

EVENLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th September 2015 at 7.30pm.

Present: Alan Thornhill (AT), Mike Bosher (MB), Denise Stevens (DS), Lisa Proffitt (LP), Cathy Ellis (CE), Kirsty Buttle (Clerk), 4 members of the public present.

- 1) Apologies
 - Apologies were received and accepted from Jill Kelly (JK) and Jean Morgan (JM).
- 2) Disclosure of interests
 - MB is the Chairman of Evenley Cricket Club.
- 3) Minutes of meeting held on 13/07/15.
 - a) Consider if minutes are an accurate representation of the meeting
 - The minutes were proposed and agreed.
 - b) Matters arising from the minutes
 - Clerk has not yet heard back from EGS re which type of bulbs they will be planting.
 - Rope and cleat for the flag are still to be confirmed and ordered.
 - New Pavers for War Memorial to go on next agenda.
 - Update on land registry searches re lane next to Red Lion – the land is unregistered so further enquiries are being made.
 - The Clerk has contacted the Community Enhancement Gang Team and the application window is not currently open but they will contact us when it is reopened.
- 4) Other matters arising
 - a) Decision on Evenley Parish Council Logo/letterhead
 - It was proposed and agreed to adopt shield 3 as the Parish Council (PC) logo and letterhead.
Action: Clerk to write letter of thanks to Stuart Freestone for his work on the new logo.
 - b) Agreement to amendments made to risk management policy
 - MB hasn't updated the policy as he believed that the clerk was including this in the new risk assessment. The clerk explained that the risk assessment and risk management policy have different purposes and therefore the policy still needs updating in regards to risk managing the e-mail system and website. MB offered again to train someone else on how to update the website but has not had any volunteers. **Action: Defer the updated policy to next meeting. MB to get clarification on what update is required and rewrite.**
 - c) New Councillor Training
 - **Action: Clerk to apply for 4 places at NCALC planning course on 7th October. Clerk to contact other councils for firm agreement to signing up to course organised by us through NCALC in order to arrange a date.**
 - d) Discussion on the use of the Village Green and consideration of organising a public meeting to find out what the parishioners would like to see on the green.
 - A councillor has had feedback from some parishioners that they would like to have more events on the Green but they don't know what they can and can't do on the Green due to a lack of information. It was suggested that a meeting be held to get ideas together about what people want on the Village Green. The Chairman pointed out that this is not a PC function and that all parishioners are welcome to organise their own meetings and events and then request permission from the PC to use the Village Green. Each event needs to be considered individually but the PC are keen to allow events to be held on the Village Green and are not aware of a time when they have turned down a request to use the Village Green. MB commented that many events have been held on the Village Green over the years including rounders, music events and a fete organised by the ECC which was a larger event than the fete that was held yesterday. LP asked MB if the ECC fete made more money than had been made at the fete yesterday and MB replied that it had although it was many years ago. LP, CE and Nic Hamblin (member of the public) requested that it be minuted that they are deeply offended by MB's comments and would like an apology. The Chairman requested a number of times that the councillors calm down and the meeting move on to the next item as the

meeting was beginning to get out of hand and would have to be closed if the disorder continued. LP and CE continued to discuss this matter and LP requested that MB provide details about the ECC event that happened many years ago including how much was raised. MB left the meeting. Nic Hamblin requested that it be noted that he believes that the PC are trying to divide the village about who is in charge of what. He feels it is all about ego and will be making a formal complaint to the Parish Council about the things that have been said in this meeting. He does not feel thanked or appreciated by the entire the Parish Council for his work towards the fete and feels that he has been 'slapped in the face' by what was said. The Chairman stated that he personally felt that the fete was a very successful event and that this is also the opinion of the Parish Council.

- e) Invite to NCALC AGM on 17th October 10am to 1pm in Towcester.
 - The Clerk will be attending this event and it was agreed that if JK or JM are unable to attend then the clerk should be the voting representative for Evenley if possible. **Action: Clerk to contact JM and JK.**
- 5) Allotments - LP
 - a) Condition of plots
 - Condition of the plots is good and the walls have had weeds removed.
 - b) Vacant plots
 - No vacant plots.
 - c) Outstanding rent
 - All rent is paid.
- 6) Pocket Park issues – JK
 - A request is being put in the newsletter to request volunteers to help with the maintenance of pocket park.
- 7) Village Risk assessments
 - No concerns were raised.
- 8) VAS data.- MB
 - Defer to next meeting.
- 9) Correspondence
 - Request for PC response re £512 from NHB to go towards new Church Toilet. The PC have no objections to this application. **Action: Clerk to respond to request stating no objections.**
- 10) Finance
 - a) Approval of finance statement
 - The finance statement was proposed and agreed.
 - b) Approval of payments as listed
 - The payments were proposed and agreed.

	Balances on previous agenda as at 06.07.15	Current balances as at 31.08.15	Difference
Community Acct	289.92	532.36	242.44
Business Saver	21127.95	18127.95	-3000
National Savings	5641.97	5641.97	0
Total	27059.84	24302.28	-2757.56

Payments

15/07/2015	BACS	Evenley Village Hall	14
15/07/2015	BACS	BDO	120
15/07/2015	BACS	Mike Boshier	16.32
16/07/2015	BACS	M Dempsey	560

20/07/2015	101827	Land Registry	4
28/07/2015	BACS	HMRC	0.6
28/07/2015	BACS	E-On Energy Solutions	28.16
28/07/2015	BACS	Kirsty Buttle	228.9
28/07/2015	BACS	E-on	279.2
13/08/2015	BACS	Kirsty Buttle	237.9
13/08/2015	BACS	Evenley Village Hall	29.5
13/08/2015	BACS	Evenley Cricket Club	420
13/08/2015	101828	M.S.Coles	1043.82
Total payments			2982.4

Receipts

14/07/2015	Hurst/Reds	25
21/07/2015	Dickins	25
27/07/2015	Speck	25
27/07/2015	Bagforce	80
11/08/2015	Hamblin/Proffitt	69.84
Total receipts		224.84

11) Planning

Applications pending

S/2015/1981/FUL	4 Broad Lane, Evenley. Two single storey rear extensions and loft conversion.
S/2015/1984/FUL	Paddock House, Barley Mow Farm, Buckingham Road, Evenley. Flue for wood burning stove on South elevation.
S/2015/1654/FUL	33 The Green Evenley. Raised roof over existing garage, and single storey porch.

Decisions received

S/2015/1130/FUL	The Coach House, Plomers Furze, Charlton Road, Evenley. Single storey side extension to the west elevation featuring a green roof.	Approved
S/2015/0980/FUL	The Barn, Church Lane, Evenley. Variation of condition 2 (plans) of approved application S/2014/0500/FUL (Single storey and first floor extension to existing annexe.) Retrospective changes to include increased eaves height, enlarged and repositioned rooflights, enlarged toilet window on SW elevation and extension of hip roof to lean to.	Refused
S/2015/1350/FUL	Plomers Furze Farm, Charlton Road, Evenley. Agricultural building.	Approved
S/2015/1493/FUL	Mercedes Benz Grand Prix Ltd Reynard Park Brackley. The erection of a prefabricated enclosure containing support equipment to the adjacent building. (Retrospective)	Approved
S/2015/1497/FUL	22 The Green Evenley. Rear ground floor extension with room in the roof and internal alterations	Refused
S/2015/1498/LBC	22 The Green Evenley. Rear ground floor extension with room in the roof and internal alterations	Refused
S/2015/1435/FUL	National Grid, Brackley. Environmental improvements and remediation works to former gasworks.	Approved

12) AOB – For information only

- It was suggested that the planning procedure needs considering and discussing again to ensure the procedure is as efficient and transparent as possible.
- CE wanted it noted that she felt the fete was a very successful event and really brought the community together. CE and AT stated that they were going to ask that a letter be written to Nic Hamblin to thank him for his efforts in organising the village fete but in light of what was said under item 4d it would no longer be appropriate.

- A tree on the Green has died. **Action: CE will contact the tree warden and will get prices for removal and replacement.**
- LP would like to know what items there are in the Village Hall that can be used by the village for fetes etc and also if there is any storage space available as LP is storing some things at home. **Action: LP to write to the chair of the Village Hall Committee to find out what is available.**
- 2 quotes for lights have been received to repair light next to Red Lion. Prices are in region of £4500. **Action: Clerk to chase further quotes and put item on next agenda. AT to e-mail out quotes to all councillors to consider in advance of next meeting.**
- Defibrillator – It was suggested that we consider having a defibrillator in the village. This will cost around £2500. Some councillors felt that this is a luxury item and that the £2500 would be better spent on a light or on other things needed by the village. It was asked how the defibrillator would be accessed and used. The clerk explained that when it is required a call would be made to the emergency services and they would provide the caller with a code to access the defibrillator. There are instructions on the defibrillator in regards to its use. **Action: AT to obtain more information about the defibrillator and e-mail out details to all councillors. Clerk to put defibrillator on next agenda.**

Meeting closed at 8:42pm.

It is incumbent on all councillors to support and promote policies and decisions democratically decided at Parish Council meetings