

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th November 2018

Present Andy Climpson (AC) Peter Lemaire (PL) Roger Moore (RM) Marie Johnston (MJ)
Joanna Brock (Clerk) Three members of the public.

286 **Apologies:** Gemma Benoliel (GB) Keith Fletcher (KF) Sue Cooper Steve Harrod

287 **Declarations of interest:** None.

288 **Minutes of last meeting:** These were agreed and signed.

289 **Public session:** Members of the public didn't wish to speak in this part of the meeting.

290 **Clerk's report:** All Clerk's actions from last meeting have been completed, and are reported, if necessary, here or under relevant sections. EPC website must adhere to new regulations which come into effect in 2020 regarding website accessibility, Clerk has contacted IT support who are looking into this. Website is not secure, Clerk to ascertain the cost to make it secure. District Councillor reports have been added to the EPC website. Clerk collected bluebell bulbs donated from Grundons and delivered them to the Watercress Centre. Two wreaths for the WW1 commemoration were ordered. First aid course for the village has been booked.

291 **County/District Councillors reports**

S Harrod and F Bloomfield sent a report via email. Clerk read out report received from S Cooper.

292 **Accounts & Administration**

RESOLVED finance report accepted.

RESOLVED new income and expenditure, as previously circulated. *See appendix.*

RESOLVED all invoices to date authorised.

RESOLVED proposed budget for 2019/20, which was previously circulated has been accepted.

RESOLVED it was agreed that the pavilion water should be paid by direct debit. **Clerk**

RESOLVED it was approved that EPC will register for online banking and online payments. Authority for payments will be given three ways ie the Clerk to authorise a payment and two Councillors.

293 **Speedwatch:** AC and GB were prepared to execute Speedwatch on 15th October but the weather was unsuitable. PL, KF and JB carried out Speedwatch on 19th October and saw a maximum speed of 34mph on The Street which was below the 35mph needed for recording purposes. Everyone agreed that a speed above 20mph on The Street is excessive.

294 **First Aid Course:** A first aid course, to complement the implementation of the AED has been booked for 9th February, 2019. There are approximately four places to be filled on the course. There will be an article in the Dec/Jan Ewelme News to advertise the spaces.

295 **Ewelme Store's New Signage:** The Ewelme Stores committee would like to erect a sign in the Common car park. Quotations to be sourced for the design and cost. EPC to decide whether to proceed depending on cost. **Clerk**

296 **Pavilion:** KF and MJ have visited the pavilion and reported that the exterior is almost complete. The interior is in process and the floor has been laid.

297 **Grant Application:** SODC have confirmed that planning permission is not needed for the outdoor gym. S Cooper has already donated some of her grant money to other causes. Clerk has asked for a donation from S Cooper and F Bloomfield and resubmitted the application.

298 **Trees of Remembrance:** Clerk has collected two trees and a plaque from the Woodland Trust. A date will be decided at the December meeting for tree planting.

299 **Planning:**

P18/S3322/LB - To remove existing clay tiles and battens to a section of the roof and replace with new under felt battens and handmade plain clay tiles. Address: Ewelme C Of E School.

RESOLVED EPC fully supports this application.

P18/S3247/HH - Amended application, to correct the boundary line and construction of a lean-to shed. Address: The Kingfishers, Ewelme.

RESOLVED EPC fully supports this application.

300 **Report from the Neighbourhood Planning Group:** N Blake (treasurer for the NPG) and RM attended the last meeting. The NPG are discussing whether there is a village envelope and how many. An officer from SODC will be giving advice this month on the draft plan. Clerk advised the Council that a letter was sent a month ago, but there had been no response from F Bloomfield regarding 'Felix's field.'

301 **Consider Health and Safety Issues:** There were no concerns.

302 **Village Maintenance:** KF was unable to attend the meeting but notes were given to M Fletcher to be passed on in the meeting. KF said that he will take the water meter readings when he is well enough. A piece of the tractor has bent, KF will source a new part. KF would like the Clerk to investigate who holds the grazing rights. Clerk advised the Council that the licence is with the farm, not the farm owner. Four new swing chains are needed for the two swings in the play area, Clerk to source a quotation for this. The new fence has been erected around the play area. The bark has not been laid yet, Clerk will chase this up. Clerk should contact Benson Sawmills regarding the correct safety dimensions of the new play area gate. Clerk to write a letter of thanks to three parishioners who have helped with the mowing of the recreation ground this season. RM advised Councillors of service-free fire extinguishers which don't need maintenance. Clerk will investigate this when the pavilion refurbishment is complete and the fire extinguishers need servicing. RESOLVED EPC will fix landscaping company for a further two years. Clerk will advise landscaping company of events so a schedule can be worked around this. **Clerk**

303 **Meetings, training & other events:** RESOLVED Clerk will study for the ILCA course before the CiLCA course. Clerk will attend the SLCC branch meeting on 22nd November. RM is keen for a member of EPC or ENP to attend the Oxfordshire Joint Statutory Spatial Plan on 19th November. RM will contact members of the ENP. Clerk will request minutes from this meeting. **Clerk**

304 **Correspondence:** Councillors to consider the £1000 donation given to Ewelme Stores. The idea of one or two footpath maps was popular. Councillors to contact Sarah Maine with suggestions.

305 **Other items of interest:** Member of the public was advised if they organise a working party to clean village signs, they are covered as volunteers on the parish council insurance. Another parishioner has asked the parish council to write a letter of thanks to an officer at SODC who has worked hard to achieve fibre broadband for the rest of RAF Benson.

The meeting closed at 20:40

Signed:

Date:

Date of next Meeting – 12th December 2018

Appendix

Ewelme PC Payments & Receipts November 2018 Meeting

Ref/Chq no:	Payments for authorisation:	
DD	E-on	18.00
SO	Staff Costs	747.74
594	SODC Planning Permission	45.00
595	Castle Water	50.59
597	Azalea Landscapes	2,060.00
598	Hall Hire for EPC and ENP	200.00
599	Peter Eldridge (wreath)	25.00
600	Clerk's Expenses	36.06
601	J Brock (2 x wreaths)	34.00
602	Mill Stream Day Centre - donation	300.00
603	Ewelme churchyard - donation	800.00
604	Benson Library - donation	400.00
605	Clive Miners (pavilion refurbishment)	5,400.00
606	Clive Miners (pavilion refurbishment)	4,200.00
	Total	£14,316.39

Date	Receipts since last meeting:	
07/11/2018	Cricket Club	80.00
	Total	£80.00