



**Easebourne Parish Council**  
**Community & Environment Committee**  
**Minutes of a Meeting Held at**  
**6.00pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024**  
**At Easebourne CE Primary School**

**Present** – M Noble (MN) – chairman, J Macdonald-Lawson (JML), D Pack (DP), I Milne (IM), Elaine Roberts-Grimsey (ERG)

**In attendance** – E Tremain (ET) – Parish Clerk

1. **Public Question Time** – No members of the public were present.
2. **Apologies and Reasons for Absence** – G Nicholls for personal reasons.
3. **Code of Conduct**
  - a. No declarations of interest
  - b. No dispensation requests
4. **Minutes of Last Meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April were agreed as a correct record and signed. Proposed by ERG, seconded by IM.
  - MN to set up meeting with Tom Richardson – **carry over** as Tom has been unreachable.
  - MN to compile a list of areas where speeding is an issue in the Parish – ongoing.
  - All other actions are complete.
5. **Verbal/Written Panel & Project Group Reports** –
  - a. **Communications (Volunteers and Staffing)**
    - i. Fliers for fete have gone out
  - b. **Easebourne Park**
    - i. Stadium seating complete, still needs to be watered (ACS are currently doing this at £90 a turn and FrEP are going to help when they can). IM requested to thank Trevor Baker for sanding the sharp edges on the rails.
    - ii. Wests have been instructed to complete a survey and estimate for fence repairs.
    - iii. Lawrence from Wildwood inspected the dens and trails yesterday, awaiting report but MN (after meeting with Lawrence) reported that there are a few problem areas but overall nothing major to replace, just some tidying.
    - iv. Rospa inspection later this month.
    - v. Access to the end of the building of the school is going to be shut off following a safety inspection, park CCTV box is in there and must be re-sited. **ACTION – IM to speak with CCTV company.** FrEP shed also needs to be re-sited.
    - vi. Community building project – awaiting update from WSCC as to whether it can connect into the school electric – park lease says yes but need to check if an external contractor for the works.
  - c. **Emergencies and Winter Planning** – nothing to report, DP asked about salt audit etc and ET explained that this will be later in the year.
  - d. **Footpaths**
    - i. JML reported that the footpath at the bottom of Winters Lane across the A286 is dangerous. She has spoken to someone at WSCC who has

recommended that the PC should write to the PROW department to request another path to be put in. **ACTION – JML to email PROW.**

e. **Highways**

- i. Another accident on the A286 this weekend, DP witnessed.
- ii. MN talked about looking at new technology to calm the traffic at this location, perhaps a trigger if someone is speeding to turn the lights at the crossing red. Also suggested encouraging people to join community speed watch.
- iii. Once the list is complete (action for MN) IM suggested asking Francis Hobbs for support.
- iv. JML suggested that the super car meets at Goodwood are causing a problem with speeding – **ACTION – ET to email Goodwood to request that they include some additional information for their members to ask them to drive carefully & contact West Sussex Safer Roads to ask for the mobile unit to visit more frequently & to ask them about the van facing both ways as currently it only does up the hill.**
- v. Finger Posts – quote approved now that it has been changed. JML reported that it has been suggested to put up a sign for the shop by the water fountain at the bottom of Easebourne Street. **ACTION - MN & JML to speak to the shop.** Then permission will need to be sought from Cowdray to fix to the wall. ET has asked for a proforma invoice for the finger posts.

f. **Parishes Environment Group (Greenheal)**

- i. Swifts meeting went very well last week. Some people are ordering their own swift boxes from Paul Stephens. Petersfield subsidised theirs to bring the cost down to around £15 – this is being investigated. There is a backlog so could be a long time, a local woodworker at the meeting offered to make some and will contact the PC to discuss.
- ii. Paul Stephens also supplies Swift Towers which would be a good addition to the park.
- iii. Fruit tree project – the trees need to be available in the Autumn. Looking at options for suppliers. Possibly tie in with a grow your own speaker/workshop.
- iv. Still need to register with companies house. Looking at funding from local charitable contacts. ERG to email MN to approach the Boltini Trust.

6. **Proposals to Full Council** – none.

7. **Matters of Report** – JML attended the Midhurst Community Hub meeting and raised the Midhurst Community Land Trust Affordable Housing project – to be addressed at full council.

8. **Date of Next Meeting** – 6.00pm Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

**Meeting Closed at 18.58**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman