



EASEBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 10th July 2024
at Easebourne CE Primary School

Councillors Present: M. Noble (MN) – Chairman, C. Sanderson (CS), I. Milne (IM), D.Pack (DP), J.Macdonald-Lawson (JML), G Nicholls (GN) & D Kilty (DK).

In attendance: Parish Clerk E Tremaine (ET), F Hobbs (FH), Paul Mellings (PM).

1. **Visitors questions:** no questions.
2. **Report from District Councillor**
 - a) Noted the election result & change of boundary. FH is already in conversation on several matters.
 - b) Speaking with Highways regarding potholes, speed reduction measures etc.
ACTION - MN to send list of highways related issues to FH.
 - c) Asked IM to assist Heyshott PC with a lottery application for their playground.
 - d) DP asked about Rother Mews (old Cottage Hospital). PM updated as he is Chair of Friends - Private Finance Initiative held until 2030 when the NHS may look to sell.
 - e) Allotments – FH requested contact details for Cowdray, IM to provide.

FH left the meeting

3. **Report from County Councillor:** Apologies received.
4. **Presentation by Paul Mellings of Midhurst Community Land Trust** – Paul gave a short presentation and a Q&A session regarding the scheme at the Egmont Road development.
PM left the meeting.
5. **Apologies for Absence:** T Baker for personal reasons. It was noted that E Roberts-Grimsey was not in attendance and apologies were not received (*post meeting it was established that this was an oversight*).
6. **Declarations of interests in any matters on agenda:** None.
7. **Confirmation of minutes of meeting and review of actions:** Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th May 2024 were proposed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by IM, seconded by DK.
 - a) **MN to contact Metis re allotments – carry over.**
 - b) MN to speak with FH regarding section 106 with the developers – FH to come back to him.
 - c) **TB to find out who the car belongs to that keeps parking on the pavement on Easebourne Lane – carry over.**
8. **Chairman's Report:**
 - a) Fete in the Park last Sunday was a big success with over £4000 raised for the PTA. Debrief to be confirmed.
 - b) Metis development launch in the Farm Shop tomorrow evening.
 - c) At the Church Fete the PC was given some photos which have been passed to Phil Stringer who is planning to do an Easebourne exhibition, more information to follow.
 - d) PC Summer drinks on Friday 16th August.
 - e) Annual Village Meeting was a big success. Thanks to all for arranging/volunteering on the night.

- f) Thanks to IM for project managing the stadium steps project & TB for design.
9. **Correspondence and invitations received:**
- a) SDNPA Planning Committee Meeting Thursday 11th July @ 10am
 - b) Thanks received from KSS for the grant of £250.
10. **Minutes and Reports from the Committees, Working Parties and External Meetings:**
- a) Communications & Environment Committee (Communications {Volunteering and Staffing}, Easebourne Park, Highways, Footpaths and Emergencies and Winter Planning): See minutes of 5th June 2024 (appendix one).
 - i. Finger posts are underway with Wests and expected within the next 2 weeks. Being installed by Keith Dummer.
 - ii. IM presented a new idea for the Community Space, more details to follow after more research has been conducted.
 - iii. Highways list compiled to speak to Tom Richardson. Another accident on Dodsley Lane recently.
 - iv. Henley TRO still ongoing. MN has also spoken to Sussex Safer Roads to ask for more support regarding speeding. It was noted that TR has not been responsive to emails & has sent a blanket apology for all meetings etc and there was a discussion regarding whether this is acceptable. **ACTION - ET to email TR.**
 - b) Finance Committee: See minutes of 5th June & 3rd July 2024 (appendix two).
 - i. School Drive Proposal – see finance minutes for details. More to follow after the first meeting of the Joint Management Committee.
 - ii. New Savings Account – finance committee seeking approval for a new savings account to maximise returns from interest (see finance minutes for details). It was resolved to grant this mandate to the Finance Committee, proposed by DK, seconded by DP.
 - c) Planning Committee (King Edward VII Liaison): See agenda item 11.
 - d) Parishes Environment Group (Greenheal)
 - i. DK gave an update in ERG’s absence.
 - ii. Priorities set at their meeting last week, to get registered as an entity and move forward on swift towers for the park and Lodsworth park.
 - iii. Have contacted nurseries to source fruit trees.
 - iv. Looking at a project around energy efficiency for the Winter.
 - v. Short on volunteers, MN suggested putting into the Parish Magazine and on the website/social media.

11. Planning

a) Planning Applications –

Number	Address	Description	Comments
SDNP/24/01124 /TCA	Yewsley Cottage Easebourne Street Easebourne West Sussex GU29 0AE	Notification of intention to fell 1 no. Cherry tree (quoted as T1).	The Parish Council is resolved to make no objection.
SDNP/24/01701 /REG3C	Easebourne CE Primary School Wheelbarrow Castle Easebourne West Sussex GU29 9AG	Replacement of gas boiler with associated work and siting of steel container to house new boiler.	The Parish Council is resolved to make no objection.
SDNP/24/02429 /LIS	74 Henley Old Road Henley Easebourne West Sussex GU27 3HQ	Single-storey side extension and associated landscape works (alternative to	The Parish Council is resolved to make no objection.

		approved application SDNP/23/04311/LIS).	
SDNP/24/02029 /HOUS SDNP/24/02030 /LIS	Orchard House Easebourne Street Easebourne West Sussex GU29 0BQ	Erection of Orangery extension to south east elevation, demolition of existing annexe, outbuildings and greenhouse, replacement swimming pool, replacement garage and annexe, and associated landscaping with replacement gates and rebuilding of boundary wall.	The Parish Council is resolved to make no objection but would like to draw attention to the Dark Skies Policy in relation to any sky lights and support recommendations made by Liz Annals. The Parish Council would also encourage retaining as many trees as possible but in the event of removal would request that they are replanted or replaced.

12. **Review of Documents** – Pensions Policy – review approved in the interim, DK to have a closer look at the policy and advise any further changes.

13. **Dates for Next Meetings:**

07/08/2024	6.00pm	Community & Environment
07/08/2024	7.00pm	Planning
07/08/2024	To follow	Finance
04/09/2024	7.00pm	Planning
04/09/2024	To follow	Finance
11/09/2024	7.00pm	Easebourne Parish Council

The meeting closed at 20.16.

Signed..... Date.....
Mike Noble – Chairman