

**MEETING OF THE ETCHILHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2016 at 8.15pm in the VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Mr Holgate, Mr Nash, Mr Smith and Mr Woods (Chairman)

Apologies: Mrs Bridewell

In attendance: Mrs Cowdry

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations

Mr Woods declared and interests in Item 8 – Planning Applications 16/02344 and 16/02349 as an adjacent landowner and was granted a dispensation.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

3. Matters arising

- a Play Equipment - following the accident on the climbing frame Mr Roberts had inspected the equipment and found it was safe to bring back to use.
- b Queen's Birthday Commemorative Medals - £28.40 worth of medals had been sold on top of the free ones. Mr Nash would recover the VAT.
- c Highways – the concrete slab near the entrance to Manor Orchard had not yet been fixed and the nearby drain was partially blocked.

4. Points from the public

- a Mrs Cowdry raised the issue of the damaged verge opposite Moss Cottage.
- b Mr Woods reported that he had been asked to raise:
 - i the erection of a mirror at the village entrance fingerpost at the Mixon. The Council declined to do this;
 - ii the erection of a "slow children" type sign. It was agreed to ask Wiltshire to erect a sign on the bank opposite Badgers.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mr Nash reported:

- a Balances - Lloyds Bank £2,114.34
Nationwide £ 147.23

- b Payments authorised/ratified –
Mr D Stevens – grass cutting £295
Devizes Building Supplies, material for new seat £282.79
Mr D Sanders erection of new seat £50

6. Highways

- The Atkins Report for Wiltshire Council was considered to be inadequate and unrealistic.
- Notice had been received from Wiltshire of the closure of the road C60, seemingly for resurfacing, between Coate Hill and Gypsy/Shortlands Lane. No one could understand why this was being done as the surface was relatively good.

7. Correspondence (see Annex) - to discuss and agree action

Consultations on capping town and Parish/Councils and Wiltshire Council's Revenues and Benefits Survey were noted - NFA

8. Planning Applications – to agree action:

Mr Woods declared his interest as an adjacent landowner and also his dispensation [see Item 1 above]

- Planning application 16/08754/TCA – No 3 The Green. Tree works. No objection
- Planning application 16/08743/TCA – West Haven. Tree works. No objections
- 16/02344 and 16/02349 – Slurry lagoon and silage pad. Mr Woods reported the latest developments including a message from Mrs Bridewell which was read out. Councillors had attended the village open meetings at which full discussion had taken place. Everyone had supported vigorous objection to the proposals and many residents had lodged their personal objections with the Planning Officer, Mr Jonathan James.

Mr Woods was instructed to continue to take the Council's objections forward including taking external farming, legal and other advice. It was still not known when the Planning Committee hearing would be.

Mr Kernon's report that there was no farming justification for what was proposed and all the strong objections of the NWDAONB and CPRE were welcomed.

The Council expressed its thanks to Mr Woods for his hard work in this matter.

9. Reports of meetings

The two special all village open meetings on the slurry lagoon and silage pad had endorsed the objections and actions of the Council. Councillors had attended both meetings.

10. Any Other Business

There being no other business the meeting closed at 10.00pm.

ANNEX

- 1 Planning application 16/08754/TCA – No 3 The Green. Tree works
- 2 Planning application 16/08743/TCA – West Haven. Tree works
- 3 Capping Town and Parish Councils – Consultations
- 4 Wiltshire Councils Revenues and Benefits Survey