

**MINUTES OF ETCHILHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2022 AT 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

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**Present:** Mrs Clark (in the Chair), Mr Hanson, Mr Nash and Mr Smith

**Apologies:** Mr Woods

**In attendance:** Mr C Moore and Mr Rodwell

**AGENDA**

**1 Declarations of Interests and Dispensations**

Mr Woods' request for a dispensation – see 2 below – was granted.

**2 Apologies for absence and approval of Mr Woods' dispensation request**

Mr Woods – the Council agreed Mr Woods' dispensation for absence request and it was signed by the Chair.

**3 Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by the Chair.

**4 Matters Arising**

a Highways – Mrs Clark reported that there no updates since the note of the meeting with the Highways engineer, Mr M Perrott, on 15 February. Mrs Clark would write to Mr Perrott should there be no action forthcoming following the meeting and salient points discussed/agreed.

b Wiltshire Waste – Fire at A342 Dump. No update had been received from Wiltshire.

c Street lights by East end of the village. Mrs Clark reported that a parishioner had confirmed that the street light outside his house was now fixed after a long struggle with Ringway. The Council would send him a thank you note for this and other street light matters.

d Lydeaway – There had been no further developments reported.

**5 Questions/Points from the Public**

a Waste Collection Vehicles. A parishioner had requested the PC approach Wiltshire to ask for the use of a smaller vehicles at 5-17 Church View. Mr Woods had sent a request to WC but no response had been received.

b Stile. A parishioner had asked the Council to repair the stile next to 5, Church View. After discussion it was felt that the stile was secure and it was not practical to alter it.

c Noticeboards. As no contractor had come forward to repair the noticeboards by 4 Manor Farm Cottages and by the Phone Kiosk, Mr Hanson had kindly agreed to fix them.

d Damaged Bus Shelter. Mr Hanson had also agreed to repair the bus shelter at The Mixon. It was deemed to be a straightforward repair so no external contractor was necessary.

It was unanimously agreed by the other Councillors that Mr Hanson should be given the logs from the felled oak tree on the village green in fair exchange. It would be impractical to sell to the village and the council was not having to pay a contractor for either of these repairs.

## **6 Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

- a A note of the open meeting on 17 February had been circulated. There were no further updates.
- b Jubilee oak tree. The Council agreed to purchase and plant an English oak tree on the playing field in the North East corner to commemorate the Jubilee. Mr Nash would contact Mr Will Corke to quote to source and plant preparation (with necessary stake/protection) a suitable established oak tree to be planted on the day as a pot grown plant.

## **7 Treasurer's Report**

- a The RFO's reported that all invoices had been circulated and approved prior to the meeting and that the Precept had been received on 4 January 2022.
- b The Lloyds Bank balance stood at £2,889.92 (as at 4 March 2022)
- c He confirmed that Mr John Garland would carry out the internal audit.
- d CPRE Membership (£50.00) had been paid by direct debit.

## **8 Correspondence and Consultations**

It was agreed that no further action was needed on the items not otherwise on the Agenda (see Annex).

## **9 Planning Applications**

- a Trees  
2022/00382 – The Orchard. Comments received had been sent to Wiltshire  
2022/00335 - Manor Farm. This has been approved by Wiltshire
- b 2021/07438- Jasmine Cottage Garage. No objections had been received.

## **10 Reports of Meetings**

None

## **11 Other Business**

- a Dog Fouling. It was agreed that Mrs Clark would source a sign for both gates to the playing field to address dog fouling.
- b Notice and Agenda of Parish Council meetings. It was suggested that on the notice put up on the noticeboards it should include that the agenda for the meeting could be found on the Etchilhampton Parish Council website (etchilhamptonpc.uk).
- c The Council wished Mr Woods well and thanked him for all his work.

## **ANNEX**

- 1 – Wiltshire Council's updates on Covid-19 – circulated to Parishioners
- 2– Various Police Notices
- 3 – Wiltshire Notices of forthcoming road closures
- 4 – Wiltshire Briefing Note 22/01 on New Residual Waste Collection Rounds February and March
- 5 – Devizes Health Centre Survey