

Eydon Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

1. Present: Cllrs M. Hawes, Chairman ,K Simmons,G. Denby, C. Henson, Dr K. Lodge, L. Braddyll and the Clerk Mrs J. M.Rowling
2. Apologies Cllr Stewart (work)
3. Members of,public present; Mrs C. Turbett, D. Kench, BMcRoberts, and Robin Brown.
4. The Chairman had received the Clerk's resignation at last meeting
5. OPEN MEETING
 - a. County Council Elections – ward now changed to Silverstone from Middleton Cheney. Candidates not known to date.
 - b. A member hoped that Ken Melling would be thanked for his help over a number of years.
 - c. Village Green drain.It was felt that the water running into the drain was from the Highway thus NCC responsi ility
 - d. HMRC- a member thought that this was bureaucracy gone mad. Very expensive for small parish Councils.
 - e. Robin Brown asked re speeding signs Vehicle activated signs. Clerk to try to get a response from Road Safety remnants
 - f. At Village Hall last committee, he had agreed to undertake survey to view all possibilities for ongoing use of hall.A local team of volunteers may do maintenance on Village Hall.
 - g. Barry McRoberts thanked the Clerk for support for village. He outlined the proposed electricity connexion which would avoid the 12 metre strip in ECSF belonging to Burial Ground.
6. Open Meeting ended 8.05pm
7. Declarations of Interest Item 13 would be left until end of meeting. Cllr Denby would leave prior to that.
8. Minutes of meeting held on March 12th were agreed as correct and signed by Chairman.
9. Matters arising
 - a. Village Green Stuart Mann MGWSP continues to state that on his visits in rain, NCC drains are functioning.As the village green is in Parish Council ownership, the water around the sycamore tree is the concern of Parish Council.
 - b. Brambles Hollow Way/ Lime Avenue. Clerk to instruct Scotts landscape to remove them at cost of £180 after notifying the adjacent landowners.
 - c. Hillview ivy laden branches to be left to prevent further parking.Cllr Simmons is still to ask for bag of soil by 1 Hillview for Village Use Cllr Simmons had produced a risk assessment for village operatives.A local team of Paul Broome Geoff Stretton could help with village matters. Helen Howard NCC/MGWSP is still to advise PC re bollards.

- d. Tree Audit – costings per tree now supplied. Clerk to arrange with Tree Profiles for SNC application for works to trees in Conservation Area and some TPO trees
- e. Burial Ground Scotts Landscapes has advised the Clerk that eruptions by animals will make mowing impossible. Paul Broome to asked to erect a wire fence on roadside to reduce the accessibility
- f. Butterfly Lane Mr Grindlay had written to Rights of Way Colin Wicks regarding the closure from 19th March of AL7 due to the unsafeness of bridge. He felt this was totally unnecessary as the bridge had been in same state for many years. County Councillor Ken Melling involved in this correspondence. Clerk to continue to request information re structural survey of bridge and time scale of closure.
- g. Editorial Team for newsletter. The Chairman thanked Kevin Lodge and Peter Unsworth for their years of sterling work. Full recognition to be afforded at APA when it is hoped that both will be present.
- h. Parish Assembly 16th April 8pm. Leaflet drop to all villagers. Tea and coffee from 7.30pm.
- i. Audit- dates fixed in June. Internal Auditor dates awaited (now 16th May at 10am)

10. REPORTS

- a. Village Hall .Meeting later this week. A letter from 22 High Street had been received regarding works to their property which would involve the need for PC to instruct a structural surveyor to monitor the works on behalf of the Village Hall/ Parish Council. Party Wall Act Cllr Braddyll would instruct a contact. All charges would be paid for by the owners of 22 High Street
- b. Eydon Community Sports Field Cllr Denby had nothing to add.

11. FINANCES

- a. Report of Internal Controller In order
- b. Draft Accounts for 2012-3 for presentation at APA. Awaited
- c. Receipts December 2012 Santander bank interest £3.91
- d. Precept first half for BACS 21st April
- e. Payments
 - i. Scotts Landscapes for BG hedge Yet to be received
 - ii. Texprep for newsletter £90 (300013)CH/LB
 - iii. NCALC Annual subscription £130.83 NCALC Internal Auditor £145(300014)LB/CH
 - iv. EON Supply 01/01/2013-31/03/2013 £172.32+ £8.62=£180.94(300014)CH/LB
- f. Current Account £9099.23 inc £2.39 interest o/s cheque JMR £772.75
- g. Business Premium Account £6146.66 inc £1.51 interest Jan – Jun
- h. Registration of Parish Council with HMRC for RTI. Cllr Stewart not present but no progress to date.

12. Planning

a. Applications

S/2013/0319/LBC Repairs and alterations including insertion of two glazed doors and new rainwater goods on east elevation of the old brewhouse to form additional living accommodation. The Elms Lime Avenue Cllr Hawes, Simmons and Lodge had visited the property on Sunday 7th. They considered the proposed windows to be too high. Other members of PC felt there was no problem considering the internal height of the room..

b. SNC Decisions- approvals/2013/0031/FUL The Malt House

c. DDC decisions Slade Lays Farm No progress

13. Correspondence

a. NCALC Update email and hard copy. Courses for 2013 for six months

b. SNC New Homes Bonus

14. Any other business for May meeting Cllr Simmons wanted to attend CPRE course on planning He felt that if a new Village Hall was required, village referendum could then allow the precept to raise to include this capital expenditure.

15. Date of next meeting 14th May 2013

16. Resignation of Clerk. Councillor Denby had applied to Woodford Halse to be a Parish Councillor for election on May 2nd. He also would like to be considered for Clerks post which would mean a change of date of PC meeting. Cllr Denby left the meeting. He was aware that as a councillor, he could not be paid for one year after his resignation. Cllr Hawes had contacted Danny Moody NCALC for advice regarding advertisement, hours and pay and also asked the Clerk to Moreton Pinkney for her estimate. It was agreed to advertise the post for 5 hours per week at hourly rate of £8.919 per hour. This post will be advertised locally and in NCALC Update.

17. Meeting closed 9.40pm