

# ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Held in the Village Hall.

to be verified at the next meeting, to be held on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Present:	Cllr Richard Roberts	Chairman
	Cllr Patricia Holdway, Cllr Jane Young	Councillors
	Cllr David Harbottle, Cllr Bruce Waight	Councillors
	Cllr Peter Cliffe-Roberts, Cllr Diane Christie-Rundle	Councillors
	Cllr Anthony D'Arcy-Irvine	Councillor
	Mrs Elizabeth Harrison	Clerk

The meeting was opened at 7.30pm by Cllr Roberts

## 18/121 Apologies

W. Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling, WO2 Jeff Payne (MOD Liaison), PC Lucy Wileman/ PC Amy Jones, Cllr Hiskett, Cllr Exley

## 18/122 Public Questions

There were no members of the Public present.

## 18/123 Police Matters and Neighbourhood Watch

No Police Liaison was present neither was Cllr Exley as Neighbourhood Watch Representative. The latest Police Report had not been circulated at the time of the meeting.

## 18/124 MOD/Army Matters

WO2 Jeff Payne sent his apologies for being unable to attend but sent the following information for 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October which was reported by the Clerk:

Near misses: 28 x Total, comprising Vehicles x 18, - On foot x 5, on cycles x 3, by air x 2.

Fly tipping: 12 x Total

Environmental: 2 x Total – both fires

Criminal Damage: 9 x Total

Complaints: 13 x Total – all military vehicles in Out of Bounds (OOB) areas

Noise:

Livestock: 2 x Total incidents of cattle loose.

Cllr Roberts suggested that with the closure of the Household Recycling site at Everleigh we could expect to see more frequent fly tipping.

## 18/125 Unitary Council Matters

WCllr Ian Blair-Pilling had sent his apologies that he was unable to attend, he had not sent a report.

## 18/126 Verification of the Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> October were proposed as a true record by Cllr Waight and seconded by Cllr Cliffe-Roberts.

## 18/127 Youth Liaison

Cllr Christie-Rundle said there was nothing to report as she had not heard from either Evie Chamberlain of Rhys Teasdale, both of whom had been invited to attend.

## 18/128 Declaration of Interests

No Declarations were made.

### 18/129 Matters Arising

- i. Village Christmas tree. This had been raised briefly at the last meeting, a suggestion had been to place the Christmas tree by the main bus stop at the bottom of Enford Hill. (There had also been a suggestion to place a memorial Copper Beech with a plaque and low 'fence' surrounding the base in the Community Garden at the junction of Enford Hill and the A345). Cllr Roberts said he had spoken to the Nursery at Highclere which had previously been recommended, regarding both trees. When they heard of the location of Enford they suggested applying nearer to home as the delivery charge alone would be £75. The garden centre at Woodborough will have Christmas trees at around £40 (and they also have a Copper Beech tree, WWI memorial at about 6ft tall for around £60) – total circa £100.00. Outdoor lights could be obtained for the Christmas tree, running off a battery for circa £10. Cllr Cliffe-Roberts suggested an electric fence battery could be placed in the field behind the bus stop to support the lights, obviously the owner of the field would have to give his permission. The Christmas tree could either be attached to a support post or 'dropped' into a suitably sized hole to support it. It was also suggested that a smaller 'live' tree could be purchased to enable it to grow in situ over the years to save the annual outlay. Cllr Waight offered his trailer to collect such trees and also to assist with planting. Cllr Christie-Rundle said there was still some money available from the Hub which could be donated for the engraving of a plaque (19 persons for WWI) and surrounding small fence for the memorial Copper Beech tree. Cllr Roberts will look into the costs of having such a plaque made. The agreement to proceed with the purchase of one Copper Beech, one live Christmas tree and one cut Christmas tree with an overall expenditure of c£200 was proposed by Cllr Cliffe-Roberts and seconded by Cllr Waight.
- ii. Playpark Safety Report. All Councillors had been sent copy of this report. There were no 'red' warnings on any of the equipment however the Council is aware of the work to be done. New seats for the swings have been bought and installed. New parts for the chain walk need to be ordered and currently the basketball hoop has been removed altogether (for safety reasons) though it will be replaced. Cllr Roberts had telephoned ROSPA, who list the manufacturers on their report, some of those have no internet presence, suggesting that they are now no longer trading. He suggested employing an independent who would recommend replacement equipment, oversee the installation and handle the future maintenance. This would mean that the equipment in the Playpark would be to the best standards and professionally maintained. The Council agreed to this plan.
- iii. World War 1 Remembrance. Tree - see 18/129.i. above. Poppies – these have been very well received and commented upon. It was agreed to retain the Poppies in situ for the rest of the month. They will be kept for any future use. The Book - 'Our Soldiers' about those men of the village, where they lived etc who gave their lives in WWI and did not return. The sales and interest in this book have been very good. Cllr Young was in charge of this for the Remembrance Sunday Curry Lunch said that more than the initially proposed print run has now been ordered.
- iv. Speed Indicator Device (SID). The grant of £1,000 has now been received from the Area Board. Cllr Roberts spoke with Graham Wright in Durrington who is qualified to install the device and he has suggested a slight delay. There is a new device on the market which is in Shrewton that he wants to examine further before advising Enford to proceed with the purchase. Cllr Waight has offered to cut back any scrub and foliage on the site where the SID is to be installed.
- v. The Traveller Site/ Old Mink Farm. This was recently brought to the Council's attention as there have been vehicles and activity on this site. It transpires it has been sold and the new owners have brought in another caravan, a large storage tank, bulldozers and a 'team' have been flattening some of the area. They have also been enquiring as to the ownership of the adjoining field. Netheravon's Clerk has asked Wiltshire Council's Enforcement to look into this as they are also concerned by the activity which may well affect both parishes. A watching brief will be kept.

### 18/130 Finance

The Clerk reported that a total of £900 cleared through the account in October leaving a balance of £19,820.71. There have been some larger payments, for example new pads and a new battery for the Defibrillator at £366.00, replacements parts for the Playpark at £116.50. There will be large expenses coming up by the end of the financial year but these are accounted for by the larger balance available. There were no questions.

### **18/131 Planning Applications**

18/06432/CLE. This was for a Certificate of Lawfulness for the storage of vehicles in the barn at the top the private road of New Buildings. No objection was raised by the Council.

18/10051/TCA. This was for a mixture of Ash and Sycamore trees to be felled. They are on the land at 54 Enford Hill as well as on Landmarc land. Both parties are in agreement and therefore the Council supports the application.

### **18/132 Parish Plan – Youth Funding**

Cllr Roberts has spoken to Jenny Rowe who is the Estates Manager for Wiltshire Council. There is an offer of a 125 year Lease on the table which the Parish Council were concerned about as the Heads of Terms document contained a one year break clause. On further questioning of this Jenny explained that it would be very unlikely for the clause to be acted on. There was also a possibility of Wiltshire Council granting the freehold of the land concerned to the village. This latter is the preferred option though we would have to wait until after a Cabinet meeting at the end of November to find out whether this can happen. Cllr Roberts will continue to push for the freehold option.

### **18/133 The Parish Hall**

Cllr Cliffe-Roberts reported that the Parish Hall Management Committee (PHMC) will be holding their AGM on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Church. He also confirmed that the Parish Hall site was now registered with the Land Registry and that the consent for demolition of the Hall (complete with Heritage/Conservation Statements) and construction of a car park and public garden were with Wiltshire Council awaiting approval. There was a brief discussion about the 3 day road closure (21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>) just to cut off the water supply to the Hall as well as the possibility of retaining the Hall's porch as a feature in the new site plan. The demolition contractors, when asked, were not keen that anything should be removed before they started their work.

### **18/134 Roads and Highways**

Cllr Harbottle reported:

- i. The blocked drain is being dealt with by Wiltshire Council
- ii. The Parish Steward is next due to visit on 5<sup>th</sup> December but he only has 2 jobs on his list at present. Cllr Harbottle again asked for everyone to report matters that need attention. It was suggested the Parish Steward might clear leaves in the Community Garden as the Garden company stand down from December through to March. Cllr Young suggested clearing the gravel build up at the bottom of the Village Hall entrance.
- iii. If streetlights are more than 200 yards apart, there is a case for the installation of repeater speed signs. Enford may be eligible for this on the A345. He will look into this.
- iv. Many local villages are applying to fit 'village gates'. He wondered whether this would be applicable/suitable for Enford. It was thought it might help with the speeding problem. Cllr Roberts suggested this be looked at again in the new year.
- v. All the salt bins have been filled for the winter.

### **18/135 Public Rights of Way (PROWs)**

Cllr Hiskett sent in a report that he has met with LJS Garden Services (Liam) regarding taking on the additional task of clearing overgrown footpaths. In particular the southern end of East Chisenbury 1, East Chisenbury 31, Enford 25 and Coombe 19 were discussed. LJS have agreed to take on this work on an 'as required' basis directed by Cllr Hiskett through the Clerk.

### **18/136 Correspondence**

There was none.

### **18/137 Any Other Business**

-The Clerk confirmed that LJS Garden services would be standing down for December, January and February but would start work again in March 2019.

- the Clerk read out an email regarding the non-automatic renewal of concessionary bus passes. A notice to this effect has been sent to the website to alert everyone and Wilts Council will be sending a flyer in December for the notice boards.

-Cllr Harbottle said he had been contacted by a parishioner regarding the caravan at West Chisenbury. On a regular but not permanent basis a man and his dog appear to be living on what is assumed to be a public track. The Clerk was asked to raise this with the Wiltshire Enforcement department.

-Cllr Young reported that there would be a Jumble Sale this coming weekend and wanted to know if she might add some of the unsold belongings from the Parish Hall. She has already packed a lot of the glasses and crockery for Relief supplies but there is still more available. Permission was given and Cllr Cliffe-Roberts will remind the purchaser of a large number of goods to come and collect.

### **18/138 Date of Next Meeting**

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. **N.B. THIS IS A PRECEPT ONLY MEETING**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

There being no other business Cllr Roberts closed the meeting at 20.50hrs

Elizabeth Harrison, Clerk, Enford Parish Council

Dated: 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018