

ENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the meeting of 14th November 2017
Held in the Village Hall.

to be verified at the next meeting, to be held on Tuesday, 12th December 2017

Present:	Cllr Richard Roberts	Chairman
	Cllr Cliffe-Roberts	Vice Chairman
	Cllr Patricia Holdway, Cllr Jane Young	Councillors
	Cllr David Harbottle, Cllr Mark Hiskett	Councillors
	Cllr Bruce Waight, Cllr D'Arcy-Irvine	Councillors
	Cllr Vick Exley, Cllr Diane Christie-Rundle	Councillors
	Mrs Elizabeth Harrison	Clerk
	WO2 Tony Broadbent	MOD/SPTA Liaison
	W Cllr Ian Blair-Pilling	Wiltshire Council

The meeting was opened at 7.33pm by Cllr Roberts

17/118 Apologies

Maria Downham (Police Liaison) was unable to attend due to a training course

17/119 Public Questions

There were no members of the public present

17/120 Police Matters & Neighbourhood Watch

A Police Liaison, Cllr Exley reported that there was one registered crime in Enford on the monthly Police Report. This was a case of damage (vandalism) at the Village Hall. The Police were called immediately, interviewed the culprits and spoke with their families. A knife was also found at the site. On other Police matters, they are focussing on hare coursers whose numbers have increased and batteries from electric fencing continue to be stolen.

17/121 MOD/ Army Matters

WO2 Tony Broadbent explained that the latest directive on Liaison with local villages has been officially reduced to the Annual General Meeting plus one other occasion however, he feels it is mutually beneficial that he attends roughly every quarter. When he does not attend he will send in a report and any matters arising in the meantime can be reported through the Clerk.

He then reported on incidents from 1st October to the present day for the whole of the SPTA.

- **11 x Criminal damage** – Fence posts being ripped out, chains and padlocks being cut etc
- **27 x Incursions (General)** - 21 x Off road/ quad bikes/vehicles, 2x horses, 1 x 'other'.
- **6 x Trespass**
- **21 x Litter /Fly tipping** – general household waste but three incidents of car tyres
- **1x Rave** – on 20th October at Baden Down Farm. Authorities were in attendance throughout

Future training on SPTA: Wessex Storm runs to 26th November for the Scots Guards. There will be exercises at Warminster and Larkhill including the AS90s.

Training will stand down from 22nd December through to 8th January 2018 however there will be a military presence during this time as well as Landmarc patrols. Landmarc are cutting back on staff which doesn't help for the longer darker evenings/nights but Tony has asked that the public remain vigilant and report incidents as normal.

17/122 Unitary Council Matters

Wiltshire/ Unitary Councillor, Ian Blair-Pilling arrived slightly late from another meeting but raised the following matters.

- 1.** The Wiltshire Car Parking Consultation is open until 23rd November.
- 2.** The re-routing of HGVs in the Tidworth/ Ludgershall/Collingbourne Ducis area. Cllrs Roberts and Harbottle did not think this would affect Enford.
- 3.** The Local Plan Review (Core Strategy as it was formerly known). This defines Wiltshire Council's Planning for the next 20 years. The Government demands that Wiltshire provide a certain amount of housing. WCllr Blair-Pilling is reading through the voluminous documents at present but recommends attendance at a public consultation at Salisbury City Hall, 6.30pm on 30th November. He also suggested that it may help to have a meeting of the neighbouring Parish Chairmen to discuss the matter and how it might affect the local area.
- 4.** Everleigh Household Recycling Centre.
 - a.** The drainage problem that has been discovered is such that it cannot be ignored and WCouncil and the new contractors are working hard to try and find the most financially efficient way to put things right for the long term.
 - b.** Teething problems under the new contractor have not been helped by a sub-standard compactor. This has been replaced which is helping, however the bins are filling and being shut down too quickly. Any cardboard for disposal that will not fit in the blue topped recycling bin should be left by the side of it and this will be collected by W.Council.
- 5.** The Electoral Review. Government is telling W.Council that it should look at and reduce the number of Councillors. Once this is done they will then look at the boundaries. If the latter are moved he fears villages may become an addendum to the nearest town which would be disastrous as the requirements of a town and a rural village are very different indeed.
- 6.** The Learning Festival, co-ordinated by Marc Read the Tidworth Community Engagement Manager. This has been a huge success with 2,000 attendees on a county level and they are looking to run this again next year. However extra funding may well be required and Cllr Blair-Pilling suggested we bear this in mind when discussing the Precept.
- 7.** The Jubilee Committee. Cllr Blair-Pilling explained that the Committee is trying to bring the villages together (Netheravon, Fittleton and Haxton so far) for events commemorating the end of WWI next year. A local called Wayne (Price?) whose parents still live in the village, has written a book on the war-dead from Netheravon and Enford. The Jubilee Committee (WCllr Blair-Pilling, R Aubrey-Fletcher, Maureen Mitchell, Tim Peacock and Dot Georgeson) would like to develop a digital map of the community from 100 years ago pin pointing people's houses. This would then be an exhibition in the Phoenix Hall on Armistice Day in November 2018, hopefully launching his book and the map together. The Jubilee Committee already has £1,000 raised and WCllr Blair-Pilling thinks ultimately all expenses will be around the £4,000 mark. He is also asking for donations to be considered when discussing the Precept. Fittleton have put £400 on their Precept and Netheravon possibly as much as £1,600.
- 7a.** Netheravon have taken up the offer of trees to plant in commemoration. They will be planting 40 trees next year in the extension to the Cemetery as a small woodland area.

17/123 Verification of the Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 17th October 2017 were proposed as a true record by Cllr Holdway and seconded by Cllr D'Arcy-Irvine.

17/124 Declarations of Interest

Cllr D'Arcy-Irvine declared that he shares a boundary with the Parish Hall (see 17/125 iv).

17/125 Matters Arising

i. Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs)

Cllr Roberts reported that there is support for this in Enford. He had spoken to Durrington where they currently have SIDs. Graham Wright was most helpful with 'background' information for example one needs 'Street Works Licence Training' at c£250 and you need to consider maintenance costs as well. They use CA Traffic who

check and recalibrate the equipment annually at a cost of c£300. The Parish Council needs someone to take this on. Cllr Hiskett said that he would consider taking this on if no one else wished to do it, and it was thought that Mort Burdick (once he is CSW trained) might also consider this. Cllr Young suggested posting a notice in the Newsletter asking if someone would come forward for this. Cllr Harbottle suggested getting a SID with a solar panel. Cllr Roberts suggested talking with the Police as to the location of the SID. A discussion ensued on the dangers of the junction of New Buildings and the A345.

ii. Gardening Services

Cllr Roberts reported that the Gardening Services were to be suspended for December, January and February (as last year) and reported that the twice yearly attention to shrubs and beds will increase in cost from £40 to £50 per session for 2018. All Cllrs agreed the increase.

iii. Netheravon School – Community Cohesion

Following the visit from Dot Georgeson at the last meeting (17/103, 17th October 2017), Cllr Roberts asked if anyone had any thoughts for bringing about greater cohesion between Netheravon School and Enford. It was suggested that they should send their report/newsletter to the Parish Council for circulation and the Council could assist or take part where appropriate.

iv. The Parish Hall

As previously mentioned in 'Declarations of Interest' (17/124), Cllr D'Arcy-Irvine was unable to take part in this part of the meeting and remained in the room.

(i) Cllr Roberts asked if all Councillors were aware of the Parish Hall Management Committee's notice of an AGM on Tuesday 28th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. It was agreed that it is important that as many of the Committees and Clubs in the Village attend (as mentioned in the Charity Commission Governance document dated 14th December 1998) so as to follow the correct procedures set down in the document. It was agreed that Cllr Hiskett would represent the PCC, Cllr Exley would represent the Parish Council, Jackie Elkins would be asked to represent the Newsletter, Cllr D'Arcy-Irvine would represent the Village Hall and Steve Todd as the representative of the Football Club should also be asked to attend.

(ii) On another matter regarding the Parish Hall, Cllr Roberts explained that he had been contacted asking him if he was aware that the owners of Medina Cottage had moved the boundary fence line approximately three feet up to the back of the Parish Hall.

Cllrs Roberts, Cliffe-Roberts and Hiskett visited Medina Cottage to find out what was happening. They were shown documents from 1900 onwards which showed that the Parish Council of circa late 1990s/2000 had, after lengthy legal correspondence, waived their right of access along the side of the Parish Hall which has been used for many years as access to the rear for coal deliveries and as a fire escape route.

Medina Cottage's Land Registry papers show the boundary line of their property running along the back of the Parish Hall. However there are no registered Title documents for the Parish Hall which was gifted to the village in a conveyance of 1927 on a specified/sized plot of land.

The situation puts the Parish Council, as the Custodian Trustees, in an awkward position and it was proposed that the Parish Council consult with a specialist lawyer to get independent advice. When put to the vote, all Cllrs agreed this route barring one abstention. Cllrs Roberts and Cliffe-Roberts will discuss which law firm to approach.

17/126 Finance

The Clerk reported that at the beginning of October the account stood at £15,767.59. There had been a total of £479.80 cleared through the bank that month leaving a current balance of £15,287.79 at the end of October.

17/127 Planning Applications

17/11198/TCA – The Grange, Enford have applied to reduce the crown of five trees by one third – 2x willows, 2x Acers and 1x Poplar. There were no objections.

17/128 Parish Plan – Youth Funding

Cllr D’Arcy-Irvine reported that he is still trying to get Wiltshire Council to release the land they had previously agreed to in order extend the Playpark area. There are currently three fund raisers planned in the run up to Christmas and the current balance in the account stands at £1,043.19

17/129 Roads and Highways

Cllr Harbottle gave the following updates:

1. Mr & Mrs Hastie of Strongs Farm in East Chisenbury have cut back the over-hanging branches on the sharp corner. It will help to reduce the amount of straw etc deposited on the road from passing vehicles. He would like to thank them for their co-operation.
2. The problems previously mentioned with the computer programme for detailing the Parish Steward’s work requirements in the village have now been sorted. He is next due on 16th November and has been asked to deal with:
 - a. Cleaning the grips on Enford Farm Road.
 - b. The potholes on the C32 north of the Enford 30mph sign heading for East Chisenbury.
 - c. The weeds on the Water Lane footpath.
 - d. Cutting the verge between Enford Bridge and the Church Car Park.
3. There is currently no further news on the re-surfacing of the A345.

Residents have raised concern that a large barn had been erected at New House Farm. The Parish Council have not seen any Planning Application for this and W.Cllr Blair-Pilling requested details so as to be able to approach Planning Enforcement for investigation.

17/130 Public Rights of Way (PRoWs)

Cllr Hiskett had nothing new to report.

17/131 Correspondence

There was none.

17/132 Any Other Business

- The matter of dog fouling (whether in bags or not) in Water Lane was raised. Apparently this is the reason that the Parish Steward will not cut the verges here. Cllr D’Arcy-Irvine reported the pleasant lack of it on the recreation ground since one bin had been moved to the Village Hall. Cllr Christie-Rundle will look into the cost of purchasing another dog bin and find out the costs of having this emptied weekly. Wiltshire Council will empty the three ‘registered’ bins as they have been in situ for some while but any new bins would have to be purchased by Enford and there would be a weekly charge for emptying
- Cllr Young mentioned the overgrown gardens along the walkways at Grants Road that make the paths almost unpassable.

17/133 Date of Next Meeting

PRECEPT ONLY - Tuesday 5th December at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
NORMAL MEETING- Tuesday 12th December at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40.pm

Elizabeth Harrison - Clerk, Enford Parish Council

Date: 14th November 2017