

EAST HARPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20th JUNE 2017

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: THE THEATRE, EAST HARPTREE @ 7.30pm

	<u>Present:</u> Cllrs Mike Jennings, Paul Waldron, Richard Coombs; also in attendance Alan Butcher (Clerk). In the absence of the chairman and vice chairman Cllr Jennings was elected to chair the meeting.	
1706/1	<u>Apologies for absence.</u> Cllr Peter King, Cllr John Darvill, Cllr Andrew Jones, Cllr Tim Warren (BANES)	
1706/2	<u>Co-option of persons to vacant places.</u> One additional person to be co-opted onto the Parish Council to fill vacancies due to insufficient nominations. No further applications had been received.	
1706/3	<u>Public Forum:</u> The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation. Four members of the public were present. Alex Pearn spoke about the refusal of his planning application for Cutty Sark, Church Lane and outlined the future course of action for the refurbishment of the property. Mr and Mrs King spoke about the conditions imposed on the recent grant of permission for dwellings at Pinkers Farm and, in particular, the onerous conditions concerning works to prevent flooding. They noted that there seemed to have been little consideration for the CVNP when considering the application. Pam Carver raised matters concerning the enforcement procedures at Kielder and the continuing need to object about the situation to BANES. As previously noted, parishioners should send in individual objections to BANES in addition to those sent by the Parish Council as this would add weight to the objection process.	
1706/4	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> None.	
1706/5	<u>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</u> i) Minutes of the meeting held on 16 th May 2017 were agreed and signed as a true record with a correction to minute 1705/27 to remove Cllr Kings name from the residents meeting item.	

1706/6	<p><u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meetings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Assets of Community value: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Information from Admiral Taverns – the clerk read out an email from Guy Stobart outlining the programme of works proposed by Admiral Taverns for the refurbishment of The Waldegrave Arms. They now proposed to refurbish the entire building with a view to re-opening in December 2017. ii) 2017 Calendar and proposals for 2017 photo competition and 2018 calendar. Cllrs Waldron and Darvill had met with the headteacher and details of the competition agreed which was now to be open to all children in the parish under 11 years. The subject would be villagers at work and entries had to be submitted by 1st July. The cup and a £20 book token to be presented at the flower show. The question of the calendar was deferred until the July meeting. iii) Broadband provision. A brief email update had been received from Chris Head with further details awaited. iv) Newton project. Deferred until the July meeting. v) Proposed meeting regarding CIL monies. Both Cllr Jones and BANES had forwarded details of CIL monies to be paid for current developments within the village. 	
1706/7	<p><u>Planning:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) No applications were received before the publication of the agenda. The clerk noted that an application regarding Coley Cottage had been received the day before the meeting. He would contact BANES to ask for an extension to the consultation period. ii) Update on Kielder landscaping and hedge removal and fulfilment of planning conditions. A number of emails had been received and it was confirmed that BANES had issued a “Demand Notice” to the developer. It was generally agreed that the situation which had been allowed to develop was unsatisfactory. iii) Application 16/04249/FUL – Pinkers Farm; confirmation of permission granted. The decision notice, conditions and Sec 106 were summarised by the clerk. The clerk to contact BANES to ensure that the Parish Council remain “in the loop” in respect of the fulfilment of the pre-commencement conditions. iv) Application 17/01381/FUL – Cutty Sark, Church Lane; confirmation of refusal of permission. This was noted. v) Application 17/01666/FUL – Coach House, Church Lane: it was noted that this application had been permitted vi) Planning Policy and evidence information. Deferred until the July meeting. vii) 	
1706/8	<p><u>Road Sweeping and Highways:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Highways maintenance sheet – no updates had been made. ii) Traffic issues in High Street – a meeting had taken place but the matter was deferred until the July meeting. 	

	<u>Parish Council Matters:</u>	
1706/9	East Harptree Playing Field Refurbishment. Cllr Waldron was unable to attend the meeting on 26 th June. Cllr Jennings had circulated the specification for the groundworks.	
1706/10	Parish Council representation for 2017 events. Cllrs Waldron and Coombs to attend the fete in July, a suitable "Parish Council" sign to be produced.	
1706/11	Parking and traffic issues; sign for Whitecross Road. Nigel Sommerfield was happy that one sign should be ordered.	
1706/12	Emergency arrangements including Flood Map for East Harptree. Cllrs Waldron, Jennings and Jones had walked around the village and concluded that the matter was more complicated than first thought with problems establishing riparian owners, etc. It was noted that clearing the drains on Smitham Hill would improve the situation. It was suggested that a meeting be arranged with the highway inspector to conduct a similar walk round.	
1706/13	Transparency Grant for purchase of Parish Council computer. The grant had been received, the clerk had the purchase of the laptop in hand.	
1706/14	Joint Local Access Forum. Deferred until July meeting	
1706/15	Provision of hearing loop equipment at meetings. Cllr Coombs was continuing to make enquiries about this matter and hoped to report back to the July meeting with more details.	
1706/16	Meetings attended by Councillors – Cllr Waldron; village club, Cllr Jennings (with others); flood meeting, Cllr Jennings; Playing Field.	
	<u>Financial:</u>	
1706/17	Parish Council Banking - Cheques to be signed as follows: i) Post Office – Clerk's & Sweeper Tax - £140.97 – this was agreed and a cheque raised. ii) A J Butcher – salary and expenses - £426.90 - this was agreed and a cheque raised.	
1706/18	<u>Matters of Report:</u> The following items to be added to the agenda for the next meeting: a) Parish Council procedures. b) Christmas tree lights donation.	
1706/19	<u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u> The next scheduled meeting is 18th July 2017.	

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

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