

DRAFT MINUTES

A meeting of the EATHORPE, HUNNINGHAM, OFFCHURCH AND WAPPENBURY, JOINT PARISH COUNCIL, held on Tuesday 8th May 2012, at Offchurch at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Councillor W. Redford, Chairman, Councillors J.Hammon, Mrs. R. Commander, Mrs. C. Foyer, D. Mynors, S. Palmer, and M. Burgun plus 1 member of the public.

Prior to the meeting, a representative from Hunningham gave an update on the renovations to their village pumps. It is hoped to complete for the Jubilee, and a suitable plaque will be installed.

With regard to finance, he was advised to approach the Community Forum, who we understand have funds available, up to half of the cost, the total being around f400. He was then advised that we would look favourably for any approach for the shortfall.

1. APOLOGIES

Received from Councillors M. Brooks, Mrs.J.Seaton, Mrs. M.Green, and District Councillor N. Pratt.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN.

Councillor Palmer proposed Councillor Redford for a further term, and seconded by Councillor Hammon, this was agreed unanimously.

Councillor Hammon then proposed Councillor Mynors as Vice Chairman, and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Foyer, this too was agreed unanimously.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

4. MINUTES.

Having been circulated beforehand, the minutes were taken as read. It was noted that in item 4, the dogs referred to are at Hunningham. Having made this amendment, the chairman signed the minutes.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

Letter received from Sutcliffe confirming that RoSPA will be removing the medium risk from the new Offchurch play equipment.

6. PLANNING.

W110677: Step Aside, Hunningham	Extension	Granted
W111186: Hill Top, Offchurch		do
W120011: The Bungalow Offchurch	Driveway	do
W120271: Fosseyway Barns	Conversion	No Objn.

W120311: BT Cabinet, Eathorpe		do
W120315:6 Leigh Terrace Hunningham	Extension	do
W120509:Manor Farm Offchurch	Brewery	do

7. HIGHWAYS

The requested road repairs at Offchurch have been done.

With regard to the dangerous crossing near the Stag at Offchurch, Highways intend to make the Welsh Road from Cubbington 50mph, and place the 30mph signs further back.

However welcome this is, it does not solve the problem, and it was agreed that we ask for a site meeting, to include the County Surveyor, and for arrangements to be made with Councillor Palmer.

There is a blocked drain on the Fosse, and Councillor Mynors will speak to Highways, and include a similar problem near the church at Wappenbury.

8. POLICE MATTERS

Councillor Redford advised that the police priorities include anti social behaviour at Cubbington and Radford, where they will be patrolling, and also Cubbington churchyard.

A mobile police station is available, but Councillor Redford asked that if we arrange a visit, to make sure there will be a reasonable attendance.

Cable thefts are taking place, and Hunningham have been involved, any suspicions should be reported immediately.

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Police have visited Keigh Terrace over the parking, and they ask for a specific time, as they saw no evidence.

Eathorpe and Offchurch have been successful in their requests to the Community Forum.

There has not yet been a meeting about flooding at Eathorpe.

10. PARISH MEETINGS

Hunningham had a poor attendance, and nothing to report. It is considered that more publicity is needed for next year.

Eathorpe - It was the second year that no one attended, in spite of there having been a leaflet drop, so the meeting was abandoned.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

The various notices etc. were distributed.

12. HS2

Councillor Burgun gave a comprehensive update, providing maps to illustrate various points. Both

he and Councillor Palmer had attended the Cubbington meeting, and were accepted.

It had been a well chaired meeting, and he drew attention to the salient points arising and a number of matters from the HS2 Draft Booklet. Should the proposals proceed, we must be prepared to concentrate on mitigation, to make it as tolerable as possible.

There then followed a discussion on the matters raised.

13.FINANCE

We have received Precept and Concurrent Services of £5380.

Payments: - Chq 001 Repairs - £412. 002 Mowing - £192. 003 Room Hire - £20. 004 Mowing - £192. 005 Play Inspn - £40. 006 Play Repairs - £300. 007 Insurance - £1098.23. 008 Walc - £170. 009 Clerk - £176. 010 Tax - £44.0. 011 Expns - £93.75. 012 Jubilee Grant Eathorpe - £100.

The Offchurch flower box has been destroyed and we await further details, and possibly a request for funds.

The Croquet Club need a new mower and have received a 50% Community Grant, and ask us for the remaining £1400. It was proposed that we issue a grant of £1400 by Councillor Burgun, and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Commander, this was agreed.

The Clerk left the room while his biennial pay review was discussed. Upon his return it was agreed an increase to £150 per month.

With it becoming increasingly difficult to operate without e-mail, Councillor Hammon offered to speak to the District to see if they would provide a computer and instruction.

The Clerk agreed to this, and Councillor Redford asked to be included in any course provided.

Draft copies of the end of year accounts were produced, and the clerk briefly reported on the main points' After a brief discussion, the accounts were formally adopted, and the chairman signed the required sections on the audit,

14.A.O.B.

Next meeting 17th July at Hunningham.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm.