

## EAST ANSTEY PARISH COUNCIL

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### The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th May 2016 at Allways End Methodist Hall following at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllr's I Vigus (Chair), D Barber, R Gibson, C Gillett, R Milton, Mrs H Warne and Miss R Warne.

**In attendance:** District Cllr E Ley, County Cllr J Yabsley, nine members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs J Larcombe.

#### 01/05/16. Election of:

- a) **Chairman.** Cllr Ian Vigus was proposed by Cllr Milton and seconded by Cllr Barber. There were no other proposals. Cllr Vigus was unanimously elected as Chairman.
- b) **Vice Chairman.** Cllr David Barber was proposed by Cllr Milton and seconded by Cllr Mrs Warne. There were no other proposals. Cllr Barber was unanimously elected as Vice Chairman.

**02/05/16. To receive apologies.** There were no apologies. The Clerk reported that she received Cllr Mrs Brock's resignation shortly after the last meeting. NDC has been informed, the vacancy has been advertised and parishioners have been given the opportunity to request an election. If there is no request for an election, notices will be put on the notice boards and on the website inviting applications from anyone interested in being co-opted onto the Parish Council.

**03/05/16. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda.** There were no disclosures.

#### 04/05/16. Planning for the Village Fete.

Standing Orders were suspended for this item to allow members of the public to take part in the discussion.

The main points from the discussion were:

- The timings of the fun runs were amended. Adults will start at 12.30pm and the children will start at 2pm. The fete will start at 1.30pm and the Dog Show at 3pm.
- Jon Matthews will provide first aid.
- Tracy has followed up on the live entertainment but nothing has been confirmed.
- Ian will speak to the Headteacher at the Primary School to ask for help in encouraging parents to support the fete and fun run

- Although no one in the WI has a current food hygiene certificate Clare Vigus does have one. It was thought it isn't a requirement for a one off event.
- Dave will organise the risk assessments for the fete and fun runs
- The first four or five draw prizes will be announced.
- There will be another discussion at the next Parish Council meeting

**05/05/16. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th April 2016 as a true record of the meeting.** The minutes were agreed as a true record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

**06/05/16. Matters arising from the minutes, not covered on the agenda.** There were no matters arising.

**07/05/16. Public Question Time.** A member of the public expressed concern about the deteriorating condition of the walls of the bridge over the disused railway line. It was last repaired five years ago. This was reported to Highways England last year. The Clerk will check whose responsibility this is and report the Council's concerns.

**08/05/16. Planning**

**a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council.** There were no planning applications to consider.

**b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC.** No decision notices have been received.

**c) Any other planning matters.** The Council was asked if anyone knew when the developer was required to start building the starter homes at Blackerton. The only properties that the developer has sold have been the ones that were already there so there has been no requirement to start building the starter homes yet. He has paid some of the money that was agreed in the S106 agreement.

**09/05/16. Highways**

**a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out.** Mr Bew has discussed the poor condition of the road surface between Woodburn Cross and Countiesmeet with the MP and he will be contacting Highways. It was reported that the condition of the road surface between Lower Woodburn and Woodburn Water is very poor. This will be reported to Highways.

**b) Any other highways issues.** No other highways issues.

**10/05/16. To receive the following reports:**

**a) District Cllr.** Cllr Ley said he believed that after a few years it would be difficult to find projects that could be funded by the Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm Community Fund. Mr Collier, South Molton and Ringsash Methodist Circuit, will be contacted by the Clerk to see if there is any news on the future of the Allways End Methodist Hall. Cllr Ley offered to contribute £400/500 from his 2017/18 community budget towards a memorial to Peter Wood and Robert Blake. The Parish Council will discuss what is needed at a future meeting.

Cllr Yabsley joined the meeting at this point

**b) County Cllr.** Cllr Yabsley reported he had been touring the parish with Richard Sables, Highways Neighbourhood Officer. Mr Sables is going to investigate capital funding to renew the surface of the road from Tuckers Moor Cross to the brow of the hill. The Clerk will write to Mr Sables to support his bid. The signpost and Devon sign at Five Crossways will be repaired because they are at the entry to Devon and the Exmoor National Park and funding can be found because of this. The problem with the drain by the school was looked at and the pipes are misaligned. The road from Swineham Bridge to the Kennels is to be jet patched. Cllr Yabsley stressed that everyone needs to keep reporting faults to produce data. Cllr Vigus asked Cllr Yabsley to raise a concern with the Headteacher at South Molton Community College about the noise from construction work disturbing students during their GCSE exams. Cllr Yabsley will do this.

**c) Police.** No report.

**11/05/16. Finance**

**a) To approve invoices for payment.** It was resolved to make the following payments:

**b) To agree a grant to the PCC towards the upkeep of the Churchyard.** It was resolved to give a grant of £450.00 to the PCC towards the upkeep of the Churchyard.

**12/05/16. Play Area**

**a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections.** Cllr Vigus reported the post and rail fence against Cllr Gillett's field needs attention. This will be looked at. The litter bin needs emptying and one of the goalposts needs removing.

**b) To agree who will carry out inspections for the next month.** Cllr Miss Warne will carry out the inspections for the next month.

**c) Any other matters arising.** There were no other matters arising.

**13/05/16. Proposed defibrillator - update.** There was no update.

**14/05/16. Matters Brought Forward at the Discretion of the Chairman.** Cllr Vigus and Cllr Barber will apply to be part of the panel that makes the decision on the projects that will be funded by the Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm Community Fund.

**15/05/16. Correspondence received by the Parish Council.** The following correspondence was noted:

Exmoor Historic Environment Review.

Clerk & Councils Direct – May 2016.

**16/05/16. Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm