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### **The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 6th July 2016 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm**

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

**In attendance:** Eleven members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs J Larcombe.

**33/07/16. To receive apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Cllr Milton. Apologies were received from County Cllr Yabsley and District Cllr Ley who were attending a NDC Council meeting.

**34/07/16. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda.** There were no disclosures.

#### **35/07/16. Debrief from the Village Fete**

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

Cllr Vigus reported the fete had been very successful and £1960.09 has already been banked. There is money from the WI and Hog Roast still to come in. The toilets weren't very good and proper portable toilets will be organised next year. One stall nearly sold out before the fete opened. In future stall holders will be asked to not sell anything before the opening of the Fete.

Next year the layout will be organised so people have to walk through the fete to get to the Dog Show.

The Parish Council were thanked for putting on such a successful day.

Standing orders were resumed.

**36/07/16. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st June 2016 as a true record of the meeting.** The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

**37/07/16. Matters arising from the minutes.** There were no matters arising.

**38/07/16. To Co-opt a Councillor.** Following the advertisement of the Councillor vacancy a letter of application was received from John Griffin. Cllr Mrs Warne proposed that Mr Griffin be co-opted as a councillor. The motion was seconded by Cllr Vigus and unanimously agreed. Cllr Griffin signed the Acceptance of Office Form.

**39/07/16. Public Question Time.** The applicant for planning application 61358 explained he had submitted an application for a dwelling on this site previously but the application had been withdrawn before a decision was made by NDC. This application is not for affordable housing. He said there are some drainage problems and engineers will work on resolving these. A member of the public, who lives in another parish, objected to application 61358 because the entrance is on the brow of the hill, surface water will run out of the gateway onto the highway, there is a well in the grounds of the next door property and the privacy of the neighbours will be affected. She said she had been a member of the Parish Council when the previous application was submitted and referred to the discussion at that time.

#### **40/07/16. Planning**

**a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council.**

61358. Erection of a dwelling on land adjacent to New Park Cottages, East Anstey. Applicants: B Atwell & R Taylor.

Comment: East Anstey Parish Council support the granting of approval for the application subject to the following:

- That DCC Highways approve the access onto the highway following a visual inspection at the site;
- That any surface drainage water does not run across the highway

This is considered by the Parish Council to be an infill site. In the Draft Local Plan East Anstey is classed as a village and this proposed dwelling would help to support East Anstey's sustainability as a village.

**b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC.** There were no decision notices.

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

#### **41/07/16. Highways**

**a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out.** The drain in the road opposite to New Park Cottages has dropped. The road between Lower Woodburn and Woodburn Water has been marked for repairs. The condition of the road surface between Woodburn Cross and Countiesmeet is still in the same poor condition.

**b) Any other highways issues.** The Parish Council has been requested to consider calling a public meeting to review two sections of road, firstly between Hollowalls and New Park Farm and secondly from the County boundary to Countiesmeet. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

#### **42/07/16. To receive the following reports:**

**a) District Cllr.** No report.

**b) County Cllr.** No report.

**c) Police.** In an email PCSO Bray apologised for not being able to attend the meeting. The following incidents have been recorded from the 1<sup>st</sup> June. Suspicious persons looking around a horse lorry at Town Cottages and someone trying the gate at a farm yard late at night. The owner of the farm thinks it was the farm worker. PCSO Bray is hoping to attend the coffee morning at Oldway's end on 10<sup>th</sup> August. She asked to be emailed with the date and time of any events or fetes that are happening in the parishes as she is conscious that East and West Anstey haven't seen her at an event for a while. It

was noted that the details of the Fete had been emailed to her. If there are any questions or concerns from the council or members of the public please do contact the Police.

**43/07/16. Finance: to approve invoices for payment.** It was resolved to make the following payments:

Mrs J Larcombe - £107.14 Clerk's salary and expenses (expenses include £21 for the Temporary Event Notice for the Fete) (Chq no 237).

West Anstey Village Hall - £20.00 hire of chairs and tables for the fete (Chq no 238).

**44/07/16. Play Area**

**a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections.** Cllr Mrs Warne's inspection form noted there is movement in both of the goal posts. The spring part of the damaged springie will be removed.

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

**c) Any other matters arising.** Two members of the public mentioned ways of using the Village Green more and one suggestion was a 'Pop Up' café on the Village Green on nice days after school. During the school summer holidays there could be arts and craft sessions for children. The Parish Council was in agreement that the Village Green could be used in this way as long as there isn't a charge for either activity because that would have insurance implications. Donations towards the costs can be made.

**45/07/16. Proposed defibrillator – update on funding following the fete.** The money raised from the Fete and the £300 donation promised by the Community Centre Committee will cover most of the cost of the defibrillator. There are some questions the community has to decide such as whether the cabinet containing the defibrillator should be locked or not. If it is decided the cabinet should be locked the Council will have to make sure everyone who needs to know it has the code. The Clerk will find out whether the Council's insurance will cover the defibrillator. The Clerk said the British Heart Foundation will give grants for defibrillators if they are in an unlocked cabinet. The phone box will need to be tidied up before it is used for the defibrillator.

**46/07/16. Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm Community Fund Grants Panel Composition.**

Despite Cllr Vigus making an application to be a member of the panel, Devon Community Foundation is claiming his application was not received. They have shortlisted eight panel members and the parishes represented are: Rackenford & Creacombe – 3 members; Knowstone – 2 members; East Worlington – 1 member; Rose Ash – 1 member and Oakford – 1 member. It is claimed that despite extending the deadline for applications from the 5 'outer' parishes, DCF only received an extra 2 expressions of interest from these parishes. They are now trying to recruit a ninth member from the 16 – 24 years age group. Some possible candidates were suggested and these will be followed up to encourage someone to apply and represent the parish. Cllr Vigus will contact Kathryn Harries (UK Community Investment Officer, RWE Innogy UK Limited) and DCF to raise the Council's concern that East Anstey is not represented on the panel.

**47/07/16. Matters Brought Forward at the Discretion of the Chairman.** There were no

matters brought forward.

**48/07/16. Correspondence received by the Parish Council.** There was no further correspondence.

District Cllr Ley joined the meeting as it finished. He informed the Council about a licencing application in a neighbouring parish, submitted by Mr Dedames. He asked whether the Methodist Circuit had made a decision about the future of the hall and was informed the Methodist Circuit don't want to sell at this time.

**49/07/16. Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd August 2016 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm

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