

# EAST ANSTEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllr I Vigus (Chair), D Barber, R Gibson, J Griffin, R Milton and Mrs H Warne.

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

**65/10/19. To receive apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Cllr Miss L Moore and Cllr Miss R Warne.

**66/10/19. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda.** There were no disclosures.

**67/10/19. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 as an accurate record of the meeting.** The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**68/10/19. Matters arising from the minutes, not covered on the agenda.** There were no matters arising.

**69/10/19. Public Questions.** A member of the public reported problems with the parish website. The Clerk reported that the parishioner had made her aware of the problems and the website was being worked on. It was reported that the notice board outside of Allways End Methodist Hall is disintegrating. It has been repaired at times but is not owned by the Parish Council.

### **70/10/19. Planning**

**a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council before the meeting.** No applications received.

**b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC.**

66864 Approval of details in respect of discharge of condition 5 (landscaping) attached to planning permission 66041 (demolition of one existing and erection of one new dwelling). Oak Haven, East Anstey, Tiverton. The requirement to provide acceptable details of these conditions is therefore discharged.

**c) Update, if any, on the decision from the Planning Inspectorate for the appeals against NDC's refusal for applications 64059, 64060, 64061, 64062 and 64063, Oaklands Poultry Farm.** No decision received.

**d) Any other planning matters.** There have been issues again with the lorries delivering soil etc to Whitemoor Equestrian Centre. A pedestrian was nearly run over by one of the lorries and the driver was abusive.

### **71/10/19. Highways**

- a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out.** It was reported that the potholes on Broomball Lane are getting worse. Everyone was encouraged to report every highways defect. If a fault has been reported and someone has an accident or if damage is caused to their vehicle as a result of the defect they can claim for damages.
- b) Any other highways issues.** No other highways issues.

### **72/10/19. Finance.**

- a) To approve invoices for payment.** It was resolved to make the following payment: Mrs J Larcombe - £104.00 Clerk's salary and expenses (Chq no 312)
- b) To discuss bank signatories and the suitability of the bank accounts used by the Parish Council.** The Council needs to arrange for additional signatories for the Council's NatWest and Nationwide accounts. It is quite difficult to add signatories and the person who has been added has to go into the bank with proof of identity. The Clerk suggested moving to an online bank, Unity Trust Bank, as it is much simpler to operate and to add signatories. The Clerk will find out more details and this will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

### **73/10/19. To receive the following reports:**

- a) District Cllr.** Referring to the Oakland Poultry Farm appeal Cllr Ley said he was surprised that despite all the objections to the applications the appeals are to be decided by written representation. He gave an example of another case that had gone to appeal, and for which there were no objections, and which had been decided following a hearing.
- Cllr Ley said the end date for the tipping of soil etc at Whitemoor Equestrian Farm is 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019. The Environment Agency has told Cllr Ley the licence was for 60,000 tonnes. It was felt it was substantially more. Unlimited powers were given to the Environment Agency ten to twelve years ago which has exasperated the problem.
- b) County Cllr.** No report.

### **74/10/19. Play Area**

- a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections.** No points to note.
- b) To agree who will carry out inspections for the next month.** Cllr Vigus will continue to carry out the inspections for another month.
- c) Update on applying for funding/quotes for the replacement of play equipment.** A Councillor Community Grant of £1,000 has been agreed by Cllr Ley and NDC.
- Quotes for play equipment has been received from Rhino Play. The Clerk will use these quotes to apply to Awards for All, Viridor and the Batsworthy Cross Community Grant Fund for funding.
- Some application forms ask if the Parish Council has an Equality Policy. The Clerk had circulated an Equality Policy and this was agreed.
- d) Any other matters arising.** No other matters arising.

- 75/10/19. Update on possible Devon Air Ambulance Night Landing Site.** Cllr Barber reported that the site at Barton Farmhouse is acceptable to Devon Air Ambulance if it can be levelled. Quotes have been received to level the site and put in an electricity supply, this work will cost around £7,000. There is a water

main underneath the site which might be an issue. South West Water has supplied a plan of where the pipe is and an additional £1,000 has been added to the costings for the project because of this. An expression of interest has to be submitted in October as the funding for providing night landing sites ends in March. The costs should be fully met. If this project goes ahead there will need to be a formal agreement between East Anstey Parish Council and Devon Air Ambulance. If Barton Farmhouse or the field being used was to be sold in the future the new owners could stop this use so there will also need to be an agreement which will allow either side to terminate the use. Once the site has been levelled the site can be reseeded, grazed by sheep or fenced with electric fencing. The nearest night landing site for the Air Ambulance is the other side of Bampton.

**76/10/19. Opportunity to raise any questions on items discussed during the meeting.** A councillor has been asked if the Jubilee public house could be listed as a Community Asset. The Clerk will find out the details and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

The defibrillator isn't working and Cllr Mrs Warne has reported this to the Community Heartbeat Trust.

**77/10/19. Correspondence received by the Parish Council.** East Anstey PCC has asked the Parish Council to support their grant application to the Batsworthy Community Grant Fund for £4,000 towards the cost of redecoration. It was agreed to support their application and Cllr Vigus will sign a letter of support. It was noted there are specific criteria to meet.

**78/10/19. Date of the next meeting.** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at Allways End Methodist Hall..