### EAST ANSTEY PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Ian Vigus Clerk: Mrs Jill Larcombe

Musehill Farm 6 The Old School
Oakford Chapel Street
Tiverton
EX16 9HA EX16 6ND
Tel 01398 341256 Tel 01884 252647

email eastansteypc@yahoo.co.uk

## The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 5th July 2017 at Allways End Methodist at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr's I Vigus (Chair), R Gibson, J Griffin, R Milton, Mrs S Stanley and

Miss R Warne.

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

- **37/07/17. To receive apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Cllr's D Barber and Mrs H Warne. Apologies were received from Cllr E Ley.
- 38/07/17. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda. There were no disclosures.
- 39/07/17. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on the 7th June 2017 as a true record of the meeting. The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
- **40/07/17. Matters arising from the minutes, not covered on the agenda.** There were no matters arising.
- **41/07/17. Co-option of Councillor.** It was agreed to co-opt Susan Stanley. Proposed by Cllr Vigus and seconded by Cllr Miss Warne.
- **42/07/17. Public Question Time.** It was reported that although information with planning application 62753 at Hillands described poultry buildings as mobile they are being sited on concrete pads laid in the field adjacent to Blackerton. This will be reported to NDC Planning Department to check whether planning permission is required as it appears they are not intended to be mobile and moved. There were also complaints about noise from a party held on this site.

#### 43/07/17. 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. No decisions received.
- c) Any other planning matters. Cllr Vigus and District Cllr Ley met with Mrs Butler, NDC Planning Officer, to discuss the proposed siting of photovoltaic panels at Melcoe Park Farm (application 62638). The application is for a ground mounted array but the Parish Council has said it would like to see them sited on the barn roof. The applicant will be asked for a structural survey to be carried out to see whether the barn roof could support the panels. During the visit it was noticed the barn has double glazed windows and a mezzanine floor.

#### 44/07/17. Highways

- a) To note, for reporting to DCC/SCC, any highways problems and to note works that have been carried out. Some surface dressing has been carried out in the parish. There are markings on the road at Countiesmeet which suggests work will be carried out on the surface.
- b) Any other highways issues. No other highways issues.

#### 45/07/17. To receive the following reports:

- a) District Cllr. No report.
- b) County Cllr. No report.
- c) Police. No report.

# **46/07/17**. **Finance: to approve invoices for payment.** It was resolved to make the following payments

W H Buckingham Ltd - £372.00 installation of defibrillator and outside light at Allways End Methodist Hall (Chg no 259)

Mrs J Larcombe - £94.94 Clerk's salary and expenses (Chg no 260)

## 47/07/17. Play Area

- a) Any points to note from the weekly inspections. There were no points to note from the weekly reports. The older bench needs a coat of paint.
- b) To agree who will carry out inspections for the next month. Cllr Griffin will carry out the inspections.
- c) Planning for replacement of play equipment. This was deferred to the next meeting.
- d) Any other matters arising. No other matters arising.
- **48/07/17.** Purchase of memorial bench and picnic table. These have been purchased from Mole Valley Farmers Ltd on Cllr Vigus's business account and are now installed on the Village Green. Cllr Vigus negotiated a discount with Mole Valley Farmers. Cllr Vigus will present a copy of the invoice so that he can be reimbursed by the Parish Council.
- **49/07/17. Update on community awareness/training session for the defibrillator.** This has been booked for 7pm on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at Allways End Methodist Hall and everyone was asked to publicise this. There will be refreshments during the evening and councillors and members of the public were asked if they could bring cakes..
- **50/07/17.** Update on proposed conversion of phone box to display notices and posters. Cllr Mrs Warne has priced the materials for the conversion and the cost is £70.00 which was felt to be reasonable. It was suggested the cost could be reduced by purchasing a pack of cork tiles from a carpet shop.
- 51/07/17. Adoption of revised Standing Orders. The Clerk explained the Parish Council had not reviewed its Standing Orders for a while and they needed to be updated to the latest NALC Model Standing Orders, a copy of which had been circulated. They are very detailed because they have been written to cover all Town and Parish Councils. Although this level of detail might not be needed at the moment it is useful to have in place in case it is needed because a difficult

situation has arisen in the parish. Councillors were asked to read them prior to adoption at the next meeting.

**52/07/17.** Opportunity to raise any questions on items discussed during the meeting. The Council was asked about the date of the Village Fete and it was explained it had been cancelled this year. It was asked whether the parish organises anything for Christmas. A Christmas lunch is organised by the Community Centre.

The Council was asked if there was any news on a night landing site in the parish for the Air Ambulance. Cllr Barber was not at the meeting to give any information and this will be followed up.

A broken bridge was reported on a bridleway near Blackerton.

Clare Sellar-Elliot discussed her thoughts about the possibility of having a small village shop at the Jubilee Inn.

- **53/07/17.** Correspondence received by the Parish Council. A letter has been received from Tim Gurney, Headteacher East Anstey Primary School explaining the current financial situation for the school.
- 54/07/17. Date of the next meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at Allways End Methodist Hall at 7.30pm. Councillors will meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> August for a discussion evening to give them chance to discuss issues arising in greater detail than time allows for at a Parish Council meeting. No decisions can be made as it is not a public meeting.