MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ELTISLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30 PM AT THE CADE

PRESENT:

Cllr R Pinner (Chairman)

Cllr S Childerley

Cllr M Cropley

Cllr A Weldon

Cllr M Loynes

Cllr J Pettifor

Cllr J Herring

Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE:

1 members of public County Councillor M Smith District Councillor S Croker

56. Apologies.

To receive and accept Apologies for Absence.

None

57. Declarations of Interest.

To receive Declarations of Interest – Personal and/or prejudicial and the nature of those interests relating to items on the agenda.

Cllrs Pinner, Cropley, Weldon all declared an interest in the Allotments for The Labouring Poor.

Cllr Pinner Community speed watch

Cllrs Pettifor & Weldon declared an interest in The Cade

Cllr S Childerley item 69- personal

All Councillors declared an interest in Eltisley Village Green Trust as Parish Council are sole trustees.

58. Minutes.

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th September 2015.

Resolved: That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record. All in favour (prop Cllr Pettifor, 2nd Cllr Loynes)

59. Public Forum

To allow any member of the public to address the council. Time Allowed 10 minutes **None**

60. District and County Councillor Reports

To receive verbal reports from district and county councillor Cllr M Smith advised of the County boundary review which is still pending a decision. Budget review ongoing, only had comments on bus services and the library service from Eltisley residents.

Highway matters previously reported, sign at entry to village ongoing. Path repair resolved. Cllr Weldon reported that her report of tree works required completed quickly and efficiently.

Cllr Croker spoke regarding the planned electoral changes within the district. The proposal is that the number of Councillors is reduced from 57 to 45 and that the wards are realigned accordingly. As of 2018 the district will move to all out elections and Parish elections will run concurrently.

Bourne airfield development: developers are submitting an application despite the local plan being delayed. SCDC did announce yesterday that changes to local plan are now complete with it going to consultation early 2016. Cllr Pinner asked about the STOP BAD campaign. It is expected that the group will become more active again now that the local plan is progressing.

District Cllr Loynes advised that the A428 Alliance remains committed to stopping any further development until the A428 is duelled. He also reported that there are 2 empty garages in the village available for rept. Willow tree adjacent to said garages peeds

garages in the village available for rent. Willow tree adjacent to said garages needs felling. Council agreed that it had no objection to this going ahead.

61. Matters arising from previous meeting

- Pumping station, Caxton End and watercourse Cllr Pinner reported that Mr Lines has the matter in hand.
- (ii) Affordable housing Clerk reported that CCC wanted 2 representatives from the Council to meet with the planners to discuss. Cllr Pinner and Cllr Pettifor agreed to attend. Date to be confirmed.
- (iii) Cross Path CCC Highways open day was attended by Cllr Pinner who raised residents request for a sign. Officers advised that a restrictive sign cannot be placed on the highway only advisory. Cllr Pinner has relayed this message to those concerned.
- (iv) Cold calling zone Clerk advised that she was yet to submit application.
- LHI Application Caxton End Cllr Pinner confirmed background and that application for waiting restrictions during school times had been applied for under a LHI BID. The outcome will be advised in due course. Members supported the application.

62. Clerks Report

To receive written report.

Meeting Dates: -

12th January 2016 - Full Council

Items to report.

Council Meeting dates for 2016:

12th January 8th March 10th May – APM & ACM 12th July 13th September 8th November

10th January 2017

- Clerk attended CAPALC catch up day 2nd October. Copy of Local Councils Explained received for attending which will be held by Chairman but for Councillors use as required.
- Allotments annual return made to charities commission for y/e 31/3/15

63. Members reports

(i) Police neighbourhood panel

Cllr Pinner attended last panel meeting, encouraged by different attitude, much more focus on what attendees had to discuss.

Sir G Bright spoke and confirmed that 7 new Police officers had taken up posts and that there were no planned reductions in the number of PCSO's.

Speedwatch average number of offenders in County is 7% Eltisley currently above this figure at 10%.

(ii) Village working party.

Cllr Pinner reported that the next meeting would be in spring 2016, date to be

(iii) Neighbourhood Watch/Speedwatch.

Cllr Pinner reported that Speedwatch has taken a break due to the dark mornings when recordings are necessary. He reported a UPS van which regularly speeds around the village.

Resolved: That the clerk write to UPS asking that the driver obey the speed limit and drives with due care and attention in a village environment.

(iv) A428 update

Previously discussed under District Councillor reports.

(v) Peace Tree Lights

Cllr Pettifor confirmed date for putting up as 4th December and removal 5th January 2016. The light bulbs are currently being tested.

64. Finance and Risk

64.1 To approve the following accounts for payment:

- (i) Grounds by Rounds £228 (September)
- (ii) Miss J Bowd salary November £218.45 December £206.70
- (iii) HMRC November £ 51.60 December £51.60
- (iv) Holywell-cum-Needingworth Parish Council office rent £200
- (v) Grounds by Rounds £228 (October)

Clerk advised that invoices for erection and removal of Peace tree lights (hire of Cherry picker) Warren access also received £342 and £342 respectively.

Resolved: That the accounts for payment be approved All in favour (prop Cllr Cropley, 2nd Cllr Weldon)

Cllr Pinner proposed that Mr Rounds be asked to carry out one more cut this year weather permitting.

64.2 To note the bank reconciliation as at 6th October 2015 and 4th November 2015 Noted

64.3 To note the budget report as at 5th November 2015.

64.4 To note the Parish Precepts and Estimated Tax Base.

Noted

64.5 To approve purchase of anti-slip strips for bridge Woodland Walk

Clir Pinner outlined the problem.
Clir Weldon stated that the National Trust use chicken wire for such purposes.

Resolved: That chicken wire be purchased and installed. All in favour (Prop Clir Weldon, 2nd Cllr Pettifor)

65. Eltisley village institute

To receive an update on the establishment of the charity

Cllr Pettifor advised that the application to register the charity as an incorporated charity had been refused. Having spoken with Cambs Acre the way forward is for it to be registered as an unincorporated charity, however this does raise the issue of trustees' personal liability.

Resolved: That the charity be registered as an unincorporated charity and that the clerk investigate the cost of fidelity insurance. All in favour (Prop Cllr Weldon, 2nd Cllr Cropley)

66.Planning

66.1 To consider the following applications received:-

S/2246/15/FL Single storev side extensions

Taylors Close Potton End Eltisley

Resolved: That the application be approved All in favour (prop Cllr Cropley, 2nd Cllr Weldon)

(i) S/2521/15/LB The proposed development consists of the following elements; Installation of the first-floor bathroom

Remove wall and store inside 20th century extension to create kitchen/diner.Create utility room from existing kitchen

Remove cupboard (door) wall in rear lobby

Replace 2 Windows in 20th century extension with French doors

Replacement window (smaller) to serve existing ground floor bathroom

Installation of oil boiler, storage tank and central heating system

Demolition of concrete garage and replacement with timber frame garage

The Old Post House, 18 The Green, Eltisley.

Resolved: That the application be approved All in favour (prop Cllr Cropley, 2nd Cllr Childerley)

66.2 To note the following applications that have been approved:

(i) S/2246/15/FL - Taylors Close, Potton End, Eltisley

Noted

(i) S/1237/15/FL 25 Caxton End, Eltisley

Noted

67. Allotments for the Labouring Poor

To consider any matters relating to the Allotments and agree any actions.

(i) Repairs to the allotment fence.

Cllr Cropley advised that the wire fencing requires work. Clerk confirmed current funds held as £749.58.

Cllr Cropley also presented £67-80 to be banked being the saving from bulk purchase of seeds by plot holder. **Resolved**: That the fencing be repaired.

All in favour (prop Cllr Cropley, 2nd Cllr Weldon)

68. Insurance.

(i) To approve regular play area checks (health & safety)

Clerk recommended that for insurance purposes a regular weekly visual check of the play are is carried out and recorded on a simple word document provided.

Cllr Pinner has asked for volunteer in ramblings but as vet nobody has come forward.

(ii)To note the need for a list of working party volunteers to be held and maintained.

Noted

69. Christmas Party.

To discuss plans for 2015 event.

Councillors agreed specific jobs and that they would all donate a raffle prize.

Agreed to meet at 1.15 on the day

Cllr Herring offered her apologies.

Clerk confirmed that the W.I have been asked to make mince pies.

70. Correspondence.

To receive correspondence and agree any action:

- (i) South Cambs DC Gambling Act Consultation letter **Noted**
- (ii) Notes from Parish Council Forum meeting 14 Oct 15 **Noted**
- (iii) To note the Briefing regarding Cambridgeshire County Council budget proposal **Noted**
- (iv) To consider resident request for work on Common Ash Tree Adjacent 52 The Green, Eltisley

Discussion took place as to why the tree in question was not on the recently carried out survey.

Resolved: Tree wardens (Cllr Pinner and Cllr Cropley) agreed to inspect it and report back to next meeting

- (v) To note the Wings for Life World Run charity race road closure implementation **Noted**
- (vi) To note the County Council Boundary Review **Noted**

71. Items to report

- Cllr Pinner reported the letter form Great Gransden Parish Council regarding the purchase of a Speedwatch kit. Due to the purchase of the mobile sign this offer is declined.
- Cllr Pinner read out letter from resident who carry out village litter pick/pond maintenance.

It was agreed the clerk would reply to the letter.

Being no further business meeting closed 8.45 pm

Signed: Chairman: Date: