

EAST BOLDRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 10th October 2017 at 7.00 pm in the East Boldre Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr K Holmes Chairman
Cllr B Mulhall Vice-Chairman

Cllr D Drodge
Cllr M Sterling
Cllr M Husband
Cllr M Gregory

In attendance – Mrs K Penna, Parish Clerk and two members of the public.

1.0. To accept apologies for absence

Cllr H Green; Cllr K Mans, County Councillor.

2.0. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda

Cllr M Husband declared an interest in the East Boldre Community Shop.

3.0. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2017

The minutes were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

4.0. Clerks' report and information received

4.1. The defibrillator training took place on September the 13th at the School Fields Trust Hall. Unfortunately, only four people attended, including the clerk. Thankfully, the defibrillator is very simple to use but Lisa Owen, has offered to do a refresher training course if residents would like one. One fact that came from the training which none of the attendees were aware of is that the defibrillator cannot be used on a patient whose heart has stopped, only on a patient in Cardiac Arrest.

4.2. There has been a complaint about one of the sheds on allotment site one. A resident has complained that it is too high. The clerk and Allotment Association have contacted the plot holder responsible and he is more than happy to reduce the height of the shed, however his son is currently very poorly and he is struggling to find the time to undertake the work. The complainant, despite being asked to contact the council through the clerk with his complaint, has taken to calling the Allotment Association members by telephone. Due to his manner, I have advised the AA not to discuss this matter with him any further on the telephone and to inform the resident he must make contact with the clerk, preferably by email or letter.

4.3. The clerk has formally given notice to Cllr Kevin Holmes and the clerk's position has been advertised on the website and in the Advertiser and Times.

4.4. Councillors should have received the Information received list and pending list. If there are any items on either for which you require more information, please advise the clerk.

5.0. To receive a report by the County Councillor for East Boldre

Councillor not present haven given apologies.

6.0. To receive a report by the District Councillor for East Boldre

Councillor Harris asked the meeting views on fortnightly rubbish collection. It was suggested that if this were to happen, residents would need to be supplied with wheelie bins. The Council budget was being looked at again for further savings that could be made. The Local Plans are currently being produced. There is uncertainty about what these will contain but Cllr Harris informed the meeting he was happy to say that it would include the need for all new houses built to have broadband to the front door.

7.0. Public session

One member of the public asked what types of commercial investments would be made by New Forest District Council. Cllr Harris said the investments would be made through property investment. Some of this would be domestic but the majority would be commercial investment. He also said that digital interaction was also being looked at. The other member of public asked the councillor who sets the police budget. Cllr Harris said this was set by the Police and Crime Commissioner. The resident then asked if any research on the impact increased traffic in the Forest would be undertaken due to more homes being built. Cllr Harris said that a little had been done but that roads are the responsibility of the County Council.

The Community Shop Group were not able to attend the meeting but Cllr Husband gave a brief update on the situation so far. He had had a meeting with Guy McNair-Wilson who has now come back with some outline drawings for the new shop. The project is a back up option in place if the current shop were to cease. Cllr Mulhall had visited the Woodgreen Community Shop and was very impressed but thought it was deluded to believe that the same type of project would be successful in East Boldre.

8.0. Finance.

8.1. To agree payments in accordance with the budget and to note bank reconciliation.

Resolved: Payments agreed as shown on table below, income and bank reconciliation noted.

<i>Payee</i>	<i>Cheque No</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Payment</i>
Payments 10/10/17			
K Penna (K Wright)	100610	Salary	£597.13
K Penna (K Wright)	100611	Expenses	£53.92
e-mango	100612	Annual fee	£360.00
BDO UK	100613	Ext Audit	£120.00
Total to pay			£1131.05
Amount to be transferred to current account			£1100.00
Receipts as at 10/10/17		Receipts	
Source		Detail	Amount
Bank interest		Interest	£0.00
Total income			£0.00
Bank Reconciliation			
Balance as at 10/10/17			
HSBC Current			£1163.94
HSBC Savings			£29,984.43
Total			£31,148.37
Net bank balance as at 10/10/17			
The net balances reconcile to the cash book for the year to date, as follows			
Opening balances	19,818.44		
Add receipts	17,631.74		
Less payments	6301.81		
Less uncleared cheques	0.00		
Total			£31,148.37

8.2. To receive the external audit report.

There were two minor issues raised.

The figure included in box 1 of the current year's figures does not agree by £1 to the figure in box 7 on last year's audited return. The clerk noted that this was due to the rounding up and rounding down method.

Grants and other income has incorrectly been classified as Precept in box 2.

8.3. To consider a grant request from New Forest Disability Information Service and Cruse Bereavement Care.

Resolved: A grant of £200.00 was agreed to each charity.

9.0. Planning.

9.1. To consider planning application 17/00807 Woburn Lodge.

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9.2. To consider tree work application 17/0775 Little Hatchett.

Resolved: No comment.

Chairman's signature:

Date: 14/11/17

10.0. Amenities.

10.1. To receive an update on the allotment inspection.

The allotment inspection took place last week with The Allotment Association, Cllr Sterling and the clerk. It was considered that the majority of the plots were in very good condition. The clerk has contacted five plot holders who had previously been asked to tidy their plots and had not done so. These plot holders have been asked to now relinquish part or whole of their plots. Other plot holders who had not cultivated parts of their plots were asked if they would like to give up any parts of their plots to make way for new plot holder.

11.0. To receive reports from external meetings.

Cllr Holmes had attended the Consultative panel meeting where the Forestry Commission were discussing Bracken on the forest. Cllr Holmes had also attended the South-East Quadrant meeting where there was an update on the Local Plan.

12.0. Agenda items for next meeting.

Resolved: Broadband update, Community Shop, changes to bank arrangements, allotment sheds.

13.0. The next Parish Council meeting was confirmed as 7.00pm on 14th November 2017 in East Boldre Village Hall.

Meeting closed 7.50pm