

Eastling Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday
1st July 2015 at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall

1. Attendance and Apologies for Absence.

Present: Cllrs Jimmy West, Julia Bailey, Nigel Bickerdike, Helen Higgs, John Payne, Alan Willson (Village Warden) and Jill Seaman (Clerk).

Apologies were received from Cllrs Andrew Bowles, Colin Prescott.

2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th May 2015

The minutes were signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

Councillors were asked to complete the Disclosable Pecuniary Interests form to be forwarded to SBC. Cllr Bailey had already forwarded her form.

The footpath from Tong Lane has now been cut back –Ben Binder had replied positively to Cllr West’s email. The nettles along the church footpath had been sprayed off and Ben said he would cut these regularly. Thanks were extended to Alan Willson and another resident who had trimmed along the verge opposite the pub.

The residents of 23 The Glebe were very concerned about the three trees overhanging their property. A letter to be sent to Mr Polhill asking him to lower the height of the trees and a further letter to Moat Hosing giving address.

The Eastling History by Hugh Perks had been read, (he is not very well at the moment.)

The Village Hall Committee had £2000 from the Wheeler Trust for the rural benefit of the village and to support activities.

4. Website.

Cllr Payne has spoken to Peter Cheeseman and he said that you need to write to the website manager. Cllr Bickerdike had looked at the website. He thought that there aren’t enough users to make it good. Cllr West that the website has to be well presented to encourage use. There is a link to the Faversham website and local information can be googled from the Good News magazine. Alan Willson advised that Eastling Village Hall now has a website. It was agreed that Cllr Bickerdike would look at the website again and would open dialogue with the website manager.

The website to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

The clerk would show a link to Eastling website in the Parish Council News for the Good News Magazine.

5. Village Warden's Report.

The village warden Alan Willson gave a summary of the past month. Metal collectors have been in the area. The van reg no. has been taken as intelligence for police. There was an anonymous letter sent to a resident stating that something would be done about dogs barking. Alan bagged up the letter and passed to the police.

SBC Automatic vehicle number recognition is being set up in Faversham – not only for speeding but to prevent crime.

6. Chairman's Report.

Cllr West had nothing further to report.

7. Treasurer's Report.

The balance on account is £2658. Payments had been made to Kent Air Ambulance, the Annual Insurance renewal of £445, CPRE membership for £36. It was agreed to donate £50 to Victim Support. The membership to KALC is due.

8. Planning Report.

There were no applications.

9. Correspondence

There were no further items of correspondence.

10. Any Other Business

Cllr Higgs wondered what had happened about the refusal of the application by Barry Neaves. The clerk advised the Marina Neaves has been in a care home for sometime now.

It was noted that there are Gas mains works on Kettle Hill Road.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd September 2015 at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting finished at 7.25pm.

