

## EDMONDSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of a Meeting of the Edmondsley Parish Council held on 3 November 2016 at 6.00pm**

**Present: D McAllister (Chair), J Curry, G Wheatley and A Hall**

Also in attendance – Angela Foster (Parish Clerk), Ethel Curry, caretaker and County Councillor Simon Wilson and 3 members of the public

1. **To elect a Chairman for the remaining term** - **Cllr McAllister** was voted unanimously as Chairman for the remaining term, due to the resignation of previous Chair

***Resolved:** That Councillor McAllister be elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year, she signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office witnessed by the Clerk*

2. **To appoint a Vice-Chairman for the remaining term** - **Cllr Wheatley** was voted unanimously as Vice-Chairman for the remaining term.

***Resolved:** That Councillor Wheatley be elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year*

3. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Ross McAllister and J Dickinson,

4. **New Members** – Ann Hall was accepted on to the Council as an elected member and signed her declarations of acceptance.

5. / 6. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:**

No members declared an interest - Cllr Wheatley signed the dispensation form for allotments. All members hold a dispensation for allotments (agenda items F and I)

6. **Questions from members of the public:**

No questions raised

7. **Police Report:**

No police presence and no report submitted

8. **Minutes of Council meeting:**

**Resolved :** That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

9. **Clerks report:**

No clerks report

## 10. Parish Matters and on-going items

### a. **Planning applications**

- *No applications received*

### b. **To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

- *No applications received*

### c. **Future events –**

- *Xmas event 10 December - all final arrangements were discussed, flyers were handed out for councillors to deliver.*

### d. **County Councillors Report** – Cllr Wilson gave an update. He will check out window in Bus shelter, still missing. Dog bin at Jubilee is always overflowing, and not in good position, check out if could be re-located. Dog fouling at Braeside, to ask wardens to patrol area.

### e. **Dog bin at allotments** - Cllr Wilson will chase up request made by Cllr Liddle

### f. **Allotments** - Allotment holders have been leaving rubbish on plots before handing over their allotments, it was agreed to advise holders that this is unacceptable.

Asbestos has been discovered on allotments. DCC will not remove as on Parish land.

**Resolved:** *Cllr McAllister to speak to Ritchie Ellis re asking allotment holders not to leave rubbish. Also to check out which allotments have asbestos. The Clerk to get costs to get removed. Cllr Wilson will ask DCC if they could advise.*

### g. **Accounts** - The Clerk distributed the bi-monthly accounts for approval

**Resolved:** *Bank reconciliation and cash book approved by all members and Cllr Curry signed*

### h. **Grass cutting** - Nobody has been asked as yet

**Resolved:** *Cllr Wheatley will assist if no one can be found*

### i. **Allotment money** - £346.40 has been held by Michael Grimes, he wishes to hand over to the Parish for safe keeping.

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to deposit in parish bank account and ring fence for allotments. It could be spent on removal of asbestos.*

### j. **Budget** – 2017/18 budget was discussed

**Resolved:** *It was agreed to accept the budget in readiness for precept setting in January*

### k. **Bank mandate** - Further signatures required for signatories. Forms to be completed. HSBC bank in Chester is closing, opening a new account was discussed

**Resolved:** *Cllrs Wheatley and Hall signed the mandate. It was agreed to remain with*

HSBC for now, but if proves to difficult to bank from afar, will consider changing banks.

**l. Correspondence**

- Public Space Protection Order for Dog Control - DCC are carrying out consultation and ask for views - councillors asked for their views to complete online survey.

**m. Correspondence since agenda was published:**

- Fire audit has taken place, a fire risk assessment is required as a lot of items were unacceptable. The Clerk to arrange for this to be carried out at a cost of £150

**n. Urgent issues for noting (the Clerk to use delegated powers) and any items Councillors wish to agenda for next meeting**

**8 Financial Matters**

**(a) Payments**

**Resolved:** That the following payments be agreed:

- (1) That the sum of £500.90 be paid to Mrs A Foster - (September/October)
- (2) That the sum of £125.20 be paid direct from clerk to HMRC (September/October)
- (3) That the sum of £45.00 be paid via S/O to E-on - electricity
- (4) That the sum of £100.00 be paid to Mrs E Curry - (September/October)
- (5) That the sum of £24.80 be paid to HMRC (E Curry via Mrs A Foster)
- (6) That the sum of £300 be paid to Mr I Scott - grass cutting
- (7) That the sum of £60.00 be paid to Lanchester band - Xmas carols
- (8) That the sum of £90.00 be paid to Mrs K Jennings - Xmas buffet

**(b) Receipts**

**Resolved:** That the following receipts be noted:

- (1) That the sum of £80.00 was received from Judo
- (2) That the sum of £120.00 was received from Dogs

**9. Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 5 January 2017 to commence at 6.00pm -

The meeting terminated at 7.15 pm

**Chairman**  
**Date**