EDMONDSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Edmondsley Parish Council held on 6 September 2018 at 6.45pm

Present: Cllrs Wheatley (Chair), Curry, Gregory, Hall and McAllister

Also in attendance – Angela Foster (Parish Clerk), Ethel Curry, caretaker, Cllr Simon Wilson County Councillors and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence:

All members present

2. <u>New members</u> - 2 applications received for the 1 vacancy - the Members interviewed both candidates and voted on Gillian Parking

She signed the declaration of acceptance and took her place on the council

3. Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:

Cllrs Wheatley and Gregory declared an interest in agenda item A, but have dispensation so are able to vote/speak

4. Questions from members of the public:

Questions raised were answered in County Councillors report

5. Police Report:

No police presence and no report submitted

6. Minutes of Council meeting/ Annual meeting of the Council:

Resolved : That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

7. Clerks report:

No clerks report

8. 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. Allotments Cllr Wheatley gave an update on the allotments

Some allotments are still untidy, after giving verbal warnings, it was agreed all councillors would do a walk around and see which plots need a written warning issuing

d. Future events

• Christmas event was discussed

Resolved: It was agreed to have event on 8 or 15 December. It was agreed to book the Lanchester band and get quotes from another buffet. The Clerk will confirm dates after liaising with the band, the Clerk to arrange flyers and posters. The Clerk to arrange alcohol licence

e. County Councillors Report

Cllr Wilson gave an update - Still in conversation with Karbon homes re garages. He spoke of a road closure at Sacriston for approx 6 weeks, which could impact on Edmondsley. He will speak with Highways re signage to be improved to reduce speeding cars approaching Edmondsley from Waldridge.

School patrol is not in place, this should be an urgent issue giving the high risk of danger of the road. He will ask the wardens to patrol morning and night for inconsiderate/dangerous parked cars. Street lights at Jubilee Close are causing light to be blocked out from properties. The flower bed in front of the post office has been reported several times as an untidy bed, could this be cleaned out. He will ask if DCC could provide planters to put at Braeside to alleviate cars parking on junction.

A car parked at Jubilee Close has had its windscreen put out, it is believed the vehicle is not taxed. Cllr Wilson will liaise with the wardens and the police.

f. Accounts - The Clerk distributed the bi-monthly accounts for approval

Resolved: Bank reconciliation, cash book and petty cash were approved by all members and Cllr McAllister signed

g. **Budget planning -** A draft budget was produced and discussed. It was noted a LCTRS grant of £977 will be given from DCC. Final budget to be approved at November meeting

h. SLCC subs - The Clerk requested the Parish take over the SLCC subs and training course payments

Resolved: It was agreed to pay the subs at cost of $\pounds 84 + \pounds 8$ joining fee and any 2018 - 2019 - 3 Initialled by Chairman

training required.

i. **Parking at school -** The school contacted the Parish to suggest ways of alleviating the parking problems, one being putting planters around the area to stop cars parking. The members think this is a good idea and would like to introduce it in other areas.

Resolved: It was agreed to get quotes for planters and see if risk assessment needs to be carried out

j. E-mail addresses

The Clerk requested all councillors to use their new email addresses with immediate effect

k. **Grants** - An application form received to purchase a defibrillator to be installed at the post office

Resolved: It was agreed to wait till next meeting as the resident was not in attendance

l. Correspondence

- Grant request from Citizens advice
- Twizell Reclamation Site a letter to explain what works would be carried out.

Resolved: It was agreed to give £50 Works noted and no comments

m. **March meeting dates** - the Clerk requested the March meeting to be put back one week due to holiday commitments

Resolved: It was agreed to put back to 14 March

- *n.* Correspondence since agenda was published:
 - Nothing received
- o. Urgent issues for noting (the Clerk to use delegated powers) and any items Councillors wish to agenda for next meeting
 - Put allotments next of kin on agenda

8 Financial Matters

(a) <u>Payments</u>

<u>Resolved</u>: That the following payments be agreed:

- (1) That the sum of £533.76 be paid to Mrs A Foster (July/August)
- (2) That the sum of £130.80 be paid direct from clerk to HMRC (July/August)
- (3) That the sum of £34.00 be paid via S/O to E-on electricity
- (4) That the sum of £108.52 be paid to Mrs E Curry (July/August)
- (5) That the sum of £27.20 be paid to HMRC (- (July/August) (E Curry via Mrs A Foster)
- (6) That the sum of £400.00 be paid to Mr G Wheatley grass cutting

(b) <u>Receipts</u>

<u>Resolved:</u> That the following receipts be noted:

- (1) That the sum of £132.00 from Judo
- (2) That the sum of £96.00 from Boxing

9. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 1 November 2018 to commence at 6.30pm The meeting terminated at 8.05pm

Chairman Date