

EBERNOE PARISH COUNCIL

The Ebernoe Parish Council Meeting was held on Tuesday 23rd August 2022 in Holy Trinity Church, Ebernoe.

Present: Councillor Mrs A. Tyrrell (Chairman), Councillors Miss F. Abraham, Councillor Mr. J. Harvey, Councillor Mrs. S. Kendall, Councillor Mrs. S. Nyfield and Councillor Mr. P. Simmonds.
In attendance : Mrs. H. Scott (Parish Clerk).

236 Apologises for absence - Councillor Mr. M. Goodwin, County and District Councillor Mrs. J. Dunton

237 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 24th May 2022 having previously been circulated, were approved and signed. Proposed by Councillor Mr. P. Kendall and seconded by Councillor Miss F. Abraham.

238 Matters arising – The Parish Council is looking to appoint a new Internal Auditor as it is now a legal requirement to appointment a new auditor every five years.

239 Update on Gatwick Airport Consultation – Councillor Mrs S. Nyfield gave a update on the current position and provided a map showing the sweep of aircraft during their final approach to Gatwick Airport. This affects some parts of the parish more than others especially to the east of the parish. Night flights are permitted between 23.00 hours and 07.00 hours with the exceptional period between 06.00-07.00 hours.(Peak time). Between 1st January and 31st March 2022 there were 2,882 complaints up by 654%. relating to noise/low flying in final approach to airport at night.

Government policy is to reduce complaints by encouraging flight paths to be over rural rather than urban areas, this could increase traffic over our area as flights used to have more control over the flight paths taken.. Councillor Mrs. S. Nyfield recommended that the Parish Council make a formal complaint to authorities at Gatwick Airport. She also asked the Clerk to contact Kirdford Parish Council to find out if this was also an issue in Kirdford and if so what action was being taken in their parish.

240 Chairman's report – The Queen's Platinum Jubilee event worked extremely well and the Chairman expressed many thanks to everyone involved. It was agreed that the surplus commemorative mugs could be given out at the Harvest Festival and next fund raising golf event.

241 County Councillor Report – none but Chairman raised issue of Road Closure signs present in Petworth and Dunton but no Highways work taking place.

242 District Councillor Report - none

243 Financial report –

Present bank balances:

Current Account	£ 2077.73
Deposit Account	£ 3241.75

Expenditure to be approved

Income Received

CDC Platinum Jubilee Grant	£ 250.00
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Income to be received

Precept (CDC) September 2022	£ 1037.00
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Financial report proposed by Councillor Mrs S. Kendall and seconded by Councillor Miss F. Abraham.

Queen's Jubilee

A successful application has been made to Chichester District Council for a small grant (up to £250) to purchase signs for the Telephone Box refurbishment in this Jubilee year. This payment has recently been received.

Introducing The Civility and Respect Pledge + Policy.

Information previously circulated - 10th August 2022.

Procurement decision making by Chichester District Council

The following information received from CDC – Council is under duties to follow the procurement legislation and regulations, which it does. The impact of that is that for all expenditure we put that

opportunity out to the market for that work, and grade the companies who bid. All of this is done through a national portal so that there is a completely fair and transparent system. Obviously there are exceptions to this for things like emergency works that are required unexpectedly but even there we are required to follow a publicity process to explain that after the event to our own members and again through the national portal.

What the Council cannot do is arbitrarily decide on one organisation even if based on recommendations from trusted partners – if we did then the Council would be open to claims from third parties for illegal procurement'.

244 Telephone Box refurbishment – A competitively priced K6 telephone box paint kit is available from X2 Connect Ltd (suppliers to BT) price £127.00 excluding VAT and delivery. Councillor Mr. J. Harvey proposed ordering from this supplier and it was agreed unanimously.

245 Damaged bench – Balls Cross. - estimate received to repair bench £800. Following a discussion it was agreed to remove the bench as it is unsafe and to consider other options prior to the next meeting including whether a replacement bench is needed or not. Chairman also raised issue of how the parish council could help parishioners facing difficulties in these troubled times. She will also speak with Sussex Wildlife Trust.

246 Planning Updates -

SDNP/20/05011/FUL – Bittlesfield, Balls Cross – Demolition of 1 No. existing dwelling, garage and outbuildings, replaced with 1 NO. detached dwelling and 1 No Detached garage/storage including access; driveway/parking and amenity space -

Town and Country Planning Act -The following information has been received

1990 -Appeal lodged under S78 against the non-determination of an application for consent – Bittlesfield, Balls Cross. Ref: APP/Y9507/W/21/3282351 – **Appeal dismissed July 2022**

SDNP/22/0651/HOUS – Wassel Mill – Erection of Pool House - **Approved 23rd May 2022**

SDNP/22/01785/HOUS – Palfrey Farm – enlargement of two existing extensions (south elevation) erection of new porch, alterations to fenestrations and associated landscaping.

SDNP/22/01786/LIS - As above

SDNP/22/02228/02229/HOUS/LIS – Little Wassel – single storey rear extension.

SDNP/22/02622/SCREEN – Screening opinion as to whether an EIA is required for works involving refurbishment/replacing of Rutter poles with H poles taking place within Ebernoe Common.

247 Correspondence

All correspondence has been previously circulated via e mail.

248 Any other matters from councillors present:

Litter bin in Bus Shelter Balls Cross – the Clerk advised she had received an e mail from CDC following a complaint received re overflowing bin in bus shelter. CDC arranged to remove the rubbish on a one off basis but are seeking assurance that the parish will empty this bin in future. . However parish councillors are not aware of this bin or any parish responsibility to remove rubbish Councillor Mrs S. Kendall to investigate and advise Clerk of outcome.

Councillor Miss F. Abraham reported on a recent chance meeting at Ebernoe with an SSE Ecologist. She raised her concern about the updating of the Rutter poles and the possibility of re- routing the poles was discussed.No decision has yet been made on the planning application relating to the screening option as to whether an EIA is required prior to any further works to the Rutter poles.

Councillor Mr. P. Simmonds advised that Listening device for Gatwick Airport now in place on his property for the collection of data.

Councillor Mrs S. Kendall reported back on traffic issue near The Stag – car parking had been provided but some drivers choose to ignore this and parked on road.

The Chairman commented on the excellent talk given by Tristan Hughes recently Meeting ended at 8.30 p.m.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 22nd November 2022