

EAST DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on Monday 19th July 2021 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs D Jopling (Chairman), P Darlow, S. Manson, A. Stanley, I Stephens; DCllr S Isard and CCllr J Ogle; the Clerk and Mr S Ellis .

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Bond and Small; DCllr L Stanniland.
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 4th May 2021** – approved and signed .
3. **To consider matters arising from the above minutes:**
 - Newsletter -to be published in August and to include the fact sheet “How East Drayton Works”
 - Cllr Darlow - “Plant Swop” cancelled.
 - New notices regarding dog fouling - Cllr Stephens to purchase.
 - There were no further matters arising.
4. **Declarations by Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest(s) in any agenda item.**
NONE
5. **Planning –**
 - “Kushti Tan” - Cllr Jopling stated that the “little house “ and the old boat had been removed, but that he had reported to the Enforcement Officer that the dilapidated caravan remained and had been moved to be in sight of the neighbouring property.
 - 21/00120/OUT - Land at Church Lane - BDC have given approval.
 - 21/00597/HSE – granted .
 - 21/00717/FUL – following a planning meeting, EDPC submitted (26/06/21) an extensive statement of objections to the application to build 6 houses instead of 5 on the land behind the Blue Bell Inn. To date the BDC planning portal shows “awaiting decision”.
6. **Correspondence** – see attached sheet. No circulation file prepared due to COVID-19. All correspondence (including COVID-19 administrative and legal documents) distributed by email. EDPC today received a card from the Village Hall committee thanking them for the donation of £200 towards the Children's Fun Day held on 10th July. This was a great success and further such events are planned .

7. Urgent Business –

- The Clerk stated that the External Auditor had confirmed receipt of EDPC's financial return for 2020/21. The "Notice of Public Rights" was posted on the village website and notice-board in advance of the inspection date 14th June (to 23rd July).
- Gulley cleaning – The Chairman confirmed that the gulley cleaning has been postponed from early July to September. This was considered unacceptable, given the blocked gulleys in the village and Cllr Jopling would be contacting a senior manager at VIAEM. Cllr Ogle joined the meeting at this point and explained the position of VIA in relation to NCC and the planned work in local villages. He requested that Cllr Jopling submit a map indicating the blocked drains, explaining the problems and lack of service in East Drayton, to himself and the new Highways Drainage Officer. It was also pointed out to Cllr Ogle that sewage erupted from the same drains in times of high rainfall. Cllr Stanley reminded the meeting that EDPC had serious concerns about the additional housing proposed behind the Blue Bell which would exacerbate the problem. The Clerk confirmed that the current inadequate drainage and sewerage infrastructure was quoted in the objections to all recent housing applications and asked BDC to liaise with Severn Trent about this.

8. Meeting adjourned for public discussion –

- DCllr Shirley Isard would donate a BDC grant of £200 to EDPC for use in the village. It was unanimously agreed that this would be given to the Parish Clock Fund towards the annual maintenance cost of the village clock, approximately £250.
- Cllr Ogle confirmed that from September 2021 he would be Vice-Chair of NCC Highways Department and no longer a director of VIAEM (owned by NCC).

9. Finance

a. Income : NIL

b. Accounts for payment

- Children's Fun Day £200 - APPROVED
- L Goddard £50 – hedge cutting - APPROVED
- "GRILLO" repair approximately £200 – approved in principle – invoice awaited.

c. Balance of accounts, as at 30/06/21

TSB - £5005.58

d. Signatories - on hold until current restrictions are eased. Clerk to investigate validity of current forms with the TSB.

e. 2021/22 Budget circulated. Agreed to donate £50 to the Clock Fund to "top up" the BDC grant (see above).

10. General Business

- COVID 19 Volunteer Team stood down and thanked.
- Potholes filled but as the repairs are raised this still causes safety issues.
- Book exchange re-opened today, 19th July. The Clerk to make regular checks and if it is found to be over-filled the excess books would be donated to CHINK charity shop in Tuxford.
- The Clerk was asked to contact the Steering Group of the Neighbourhood Plan and arrange a meeting (August?) to assess progress and recommence the process.

11. Date of next meeting – MONDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2021 at 7:00pm, in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:55pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed.....

Cllr D Jopling, Chairman, East Drayton Parish Council

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