

East Donyland Parish Council
Full Parish Council Meeting – 8th. March 2018
St Lawrence School, Rectory Rd, Rowhedge starting 7.00pm.

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Phil George, Anna Appleyard, John Rowland, Peter Case, Doug Clay, Dave Myers, and Locum Clerk Kevin B. Money and 11 members of the public.

The Chairman, Cllr Phil George, opened the meeting at 7pm

013/18 To receive and accept apologies and to note absences: Cllr N. Crouchman: Cllr R. Helliwell: Cllr Dan Slade, CBC Ward Cllr M. Lilley: Cllr L. Scordis: Cllr Adam Fox, ECC Kevin Bentley

014/18 To minute pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests of members relating to items on the agenda:

PG NP interest in items 18/18 & 20/18

PC NP interest in item 23/18

DM NP interest in items 22/18 RCRC, 24/18 & 23/18

015/18 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th. February 2018

Cllr PG proposed and Cllr JR seconded. All agreed

016/18 Have your say! The Chairman allocated a max. of 15 minutes to ask members of the public to speak (max. 3 minutes each) on any matters relevant to parish business:

Matt – Can the RCRC licence be extended? If the RHT refuses the RCRC offer, then RCRC has no licence and the hut will be removed at 2019

Trisha – Dog fencing – Putting a fence up around the field will not work as the irresponsible dog owners are still letting dogs off the lead and are allowing the dogs foul the area. PG thinks an area in the village can be sought out to allow dogs off the leash to run freely.

Elizabeth – Petition on the 2020 is still lingering along. She asked the Clerk to place on the board outside the office the list of meeting dates. Colne Life - new delivering personnel are being brought in.

Eve Chart – When are the roadworks starting in Rowhedge. The Clerk was asked to chase up. There are only 2 salt bins in the area. EDPC have applied for another one to be placed at the turning circle and/or Shipyard Corner.

Barbara – Within the Borough PSPO patrols the village so who can enforce the dog fouling laws?

Carol – Outside the school and pre-school is still being littered with dog poo. A Community Action Group has been formed and can be found on Facebook. A lot of dog owners are coming in from outside of the village. Can EDPC obtain leaflets on the “recreation by-laws” to be handed out to uncooperative and irresponsible dog owners?

017/18 To receive and note reports from:

a) Essex County Councillor Kevin Bentley – No report was given

b) CBC Ward Councillor Mike Lilley – No report was given

c) CBC Ward Councillor Adam Fox – No report was given

d) CBC Ward Councillor Lee Scordis – No report was given

e) Village Bus Representative – Elizabeth Trellis

The Transport Representative meeting was cancelled because the bus operators were not going to be in attendance.

f) Rowhedge Residents' Association – Trisha Curran

A Public meeting will be held on 26.04.18 in the school. This meeting clashes with the EDPC Annual Assembly. Normal Bins and poo bins need replacing.

g) Clerk Report – Councillors noted the clerks report

018/18 EDPC to discuss the PSPO patrolling around the recreation grounds

PG spoke to ML – ML said that if we use the PSPO to enforce the byelaws, then we may not be able to have a fenced off area for dogs to run

JR – give dog owners who want to have their dogs off the lead somewhere to go. If there is nowhere to go then its not fair for the dogs or the owners.

PC – give the fenced off area a try first before bringing in the PSPO

AA – irresponsible dog owners will always be irresponsible.

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PG suggested bringing this item back to April meeting after asking Mike Lilley to give further update, suggestions and clarity.

PG proposed to revisit this at next meeting DM seconded F4 1AG

019/18 To agree the payments list already checked by Cllrs Appleyard & Clay

Cllr PG proposed and Cllr JR seconded – All agreed

020/18 To note the draft minutes from the Maintenance committee held on Wednesday 7th. February 2018

Councillors noted the draft minutes of the Maintenance committee

- a) To receive an update on the Dog proof fencing – Cllr J. Rowland

JR talked about the wellbeing of dogs.

The committee looked at fencing the whole of the recreation ground. It did not prove beneficial. There are a large number of trees with roots and is not viable.

An option to be looked at was at the bottom of recreation ground closest to the river near the small football pitch and to have a fencing around bottom football pitch. This would have no impact on primary school. It would also give a fenced off area for dog to run freely.

AA – Is a fan of open spaces and is against fencing off areas. The recreation ground should be open to everyone including dogs.

DC – Irresponsible dog owners need to be caught in the act of allowing their dogs fouling the ground.

JR – Groups in the area could name and shame irresponsible dog owners

021/18 To agree EDC Insurance policy for 2018/19 with Zurich

PG proposed that the EDC insurance be for 1 year only at £1975.06p Seconded by PC – All agreed

022/18 Update on RCRC Proposed building – Cllr P. George

Planning decision has been approved by CBC at tonight's meeting.

EDPC working towards a draft lease. PG has found a solicitor who will undertake preparing the draft lease for £1500. With the Planning permission being granted it may be with conditions.

The business plan that RCRC has put together and has been verified by an independent company.

Funds now have to be raised to get the project completed. Construction is about 12 weeks from start to finish.

023/18 To consider a proposal from Cllr N. Crouchman to renew the RCRC Hut licence for a further year, subject to the agreement with RHT

Existing licence expires later this month. RCRC would like to renew the licence for a further 12 months.

DC proposed the licence be extended for a further 12 months. Seconded by PG – All agreed

024/18 Application to hold an event on Rowhedge greensward areas, quayside or recreation ground.

Application from Rowhedge Mooring Association Date of event 29.04.18

Purpose of event: Boat Jumble to run alongside Table Top sale organised by St. Lawrence's School & under 5's. Event from 10am – 2pm. Risk assessment attached.

An insurance policy needs to be seen by the Clerk

PG proposed to accept this application subject to seeing sight of insurance policy AA seconded – All agreed

Cllr D. Myers leaves the meeting

025/18 To deal with matters arising from the previous Council minutes not dealt with elsewhere in this agenda Councillors noted the list

026/18 To discuss planning applications and note decision papers as listed – No planning applications received

027/18 Decision made by CBC

173175 – Land Adjacent to 18 Rectory Road Rowhedge CO5 7HR

Erection of new 4 bedroom house on land to the side of No. 18 Rectory Road.

Application GRANTED

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180154 – Jam Jar Café 10a High Street Rowhedge
Application to vary condition 2 of planning permission 161095 in order to extend permitted opening hours.
Application APPROVED Conditional

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed.....12th. April 2018
Philip George

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