

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Parish Council held 2nd September 2015

Present: D Palmer (Chairman), M Bell, C Hagger, J Pitts D Healey P Taylor T King.

Apologies: T Connolly, H Campden S Linsell

In attendance: Jo Downton - Clerk.

Declaration of Interests: None

Minutes: The minutes of the parish council meeting held on the 1st July 2015 were taken as read and signed as correct.

Matters arising:

The Clerk reported that over the summer the lease with Exton Estate had been modified to take into account the new installation and this had been in agreement with PAGE. Moreover the insurance for the playground which the council pays for PAGE had increased by over a hundred pounds because of the new installation. Notification had been received that the Shore Link Bus Service would cease from the 1/9/15. The light at 3 New Field Road was found to be flooded with water and required complete replacement – this work was carried out with approval from councilors by email over the summer – Proposer J Pitts Seconder D Healey. The bin in garden road had been reported for repair but as yet not attended to.

The External Audit : The external audit has been completed and a notice been placed to advertise this. Grant Thorton had informed us that there had been an error in one of the completed boxes on the audit form (the inclusion of the Tax Grant) – which although a minor error the Responsible Financial Officer would ensure that this was not repeated next year.

Items requiring action only: The Clerk reported problems with the new method of informing councillors of new planning applications by email and Terry King was to look into this.

Grass Cutting etc: The Clerk was to forward C Hagger information regarding grass cutting responsibilities within the village. Removal of overhang from the Brooks and the removal of the elder on the top green was to be requested.

Damage Pump: M Bell reported light damage to two roof ties on the pump house. A local builder was to be requested to contact M Bell to offer a quotation.

Replacement Lights: The Clerk circulated the list of light replacements being suggested by EON. Terry King assured council that proposals were now in place and that a decision about the future of lighting in the county would shortly be made. Therefore the council will wait until this is forthcoming.

Allotments: The Clerk reported hat Spire homes had been in contact about a piece of land which might be available to the Council for allotments. More information was required and the clerk was to follow this up.

Planning Applications: Barnham Court Exton - Internal changes – no objections. 10 Blacksmiths Lane Exton – Replacement Window – No Objections.

- Over the summer the Chair had received an enquiry about a Wind Turbine at High

manor Farm – the Clerk contacted RCC Planning and was informed that Exton & Horn PC need not be consulted as at this stage it was simply a screening opinion.

Authorisation of cheques:

LRALC (J Pitts) Training £35.00

RWebster Grass Cutting £144.00

Colemans £63.00

EON £58.18

EON £60.12

PAGE Insurance £623.93

Items for the agenda of the next meeting of the Parish Council – 7th October 2015:

The Avenue.