

EAST BOLDRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 at 7.00 pm in the East Boldre Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr Mr K Holmes Chairman
Cllr B Mulhall Vice Chairman

Cllr B Gregory
Cllr M Sterling

In attendance –Cllr K Thornber, County Councillor; Mrs K Penna, Parish Clerk and five residents.

1.0. To accept apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Drodge and Cllr Harris.

2.0. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda

None.

3.0. To consider co-option of Councillor to vacancy. (Circulated

An application had been received and Council unanimously agreed to co-opt Matthew Gregory to the vacancy. Cllr Matthew Gregory was welcomed to the Council. The new councillor then signed the 'declaration of acceptance of office' form and joined the council. Cllr Matthew Gregory then declared an interest in item 10.2.

4.0. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2015

The minutes were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting.

5.0. Public session

No comments.

6.0. Clerks' report and information received

6.1. A resident has copied the council into an email she has sent to HCC in regards to the "WARNING" signs of a 'Wiggle organised, "Human race" cycle event on 20 September. The resident has raised concerns that the signs which have been posted up in several areas on the East End and East Boldre roads are large and very obtrusive. They have also been hammered into the ground on metal stakes. The resident says that in addition to being out of place and an eye sore, they are a hazard because the "WARNING" draws the eye of the driver which takes away their attention from driving. They state these signs are littering the area for an unacceptably long time, having been erected at least three weeks ahead of the event. They question whether, a commercial cycle event which requires such warning should be allowed to take place on our narrow rural lanes, whether in connection with a charity event or otherwise, and that the NPA code for cycling events is clearly against any form of racing but this is clearly a race of sorts. While there is no prize for a winner, the cyclists are timed and given their results on crossing the finish line. Even the name of the event implies it is a race.

Chairman's signature:

Date:

- 6.2.** The clerk has entered the East Boldre website; most recent newsletter and Facebook page into the Hampshire Association of Local Council Awards 2015.
- 6.3.** The clerk from Hythe and Dibden Parish Council has presented some options to the land agent at the Forestry Commission in regards to their council's needs for compensatory grazing as brought up at our last month's meeting and is awaiting a response.
- 6.4.** A grant request has been received from New Forest Disability Information Service. This will be added to the next agenda.
- 6.5.** The 'Information received' and the 'Pending' list have been circulated to all councillors.

7.0. To receive a report by County Councillor for East Boldre

Cllr Thornber requested an update on the purchase of the defibrillator for East Boldre. The clerk informed Cllr Thornber that fund raising had been a great success and the defibrillator will be on the agenda for the October meeting.

Cllr Thornber was interested in the Chairman's opinion on the broadband meeting held last month in the parish. The Chairman gave permission for item 11.0. to be discussed at this point in the meeting. The Chairman gave a brief outline of the meeting and considered in his opinion that the meeting had been a successful one. He felt that all his questions had been answered and was delighted that the majority of East Boldre will have Superfast Broadband soon. Unfortunately approximately 70 households in the parish will not receive Superfast Broadband unless a site can be found to locate the broadband cabinet. Cllr Barry Gregory advised that he would talk to a resident about the possibility of housing the cabinet on their land. Cllr Thornber then outlined that 95% of households nationally will be reached in the rollout of Superfast Broadband by 2016. He of course noted that this was no compensation to those 5% who are not covered. The Government is due to make an announcement about the hard to reach areas. Cllr Thornber stated that the New Forest was always going to be a difficult area because of the difficulty in finding mitigating land to offer the Verderers. Cllr Thornber told the meeting that £130 million of savings had been made by Hampshire County Council in the last two years. The Government have advised that councils should be prepared for 25-40% cuts to grants in the next four years. A commitment has been made to freeze council tax until 2017. Savings are being called upon from the Children and Select Committee and Family Support Services. Savings are also being called upon from the Special Education Service, which Cllr Thornber will question. The savings will not be spread equally and some services will need to be partly or wholly contracted out.

8.0. To receive a report by District Councillor for East Boldre

Councillor not present having given apologies.

Chairman's signature:

Date:

9.0. Finance

9.1. To agree payments in accordance with the budget and to note bank reconciliation.

Resolved: Payments agreed as shown on table below, income and bank reconciliation noted.

<i>Payee</i>	<i>Cheque No</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Payment</i>
Payments 08/09/15			
K Penna(Paid K Wright)	100487	Salary	£597.13
K Penna(Paid K Wright)	100488	Expenses	£67.42
e-mango	100489	Membership	£360.00
Kimbolton Ltd	100490	Fireworks	£268.60
Datacenta	100491	Domain	£TBC
Total to pay			£1293.15 +
Amount to be transferred to current account			£1300.00 +
		Receipts	
Source		Detail	Amount
HSBC		Interest	£1.05
Total income			£1.05
Bank Reconciliation			
Balance as at 08/09/15			
HSBC Current			£943.16
HSBC Savings			£18,463.49
Total			£19,406.65
Net bank balance as at 08/09/15			
The net balances reconcile to the cash book for the year to date, as follows			
Opening balances	14862.38		
Add receipts	9411.86		
Less payments	4985.59		
Less unclear cheque	118.00		
Total			£19,406.65

9.2. To consider the renewal of the council domain.

Resolved: The council agreed to renew the domain for a further four years. **ACTION KP**

10.0. Planning

10.1. To consider planning application 15/00635 2 Hatchet Cottages; 15/00658 Rose Cottage.

Resolved: Planning applications resolved as shown on the schedule below.

15/00635 Liz Young	2 Hatchet Cottages, Hatchet Lane, BEAULIEU, SO42 7WA	Outbuilding	Comment 3 The council agreed on a comment 3 but would like to see assurance that this would not be given permission for a separate dwelling at a later stage.
15/00658 Katie McIntyre	ROSE COTTAGE, MAIN ROAD, EAST BOLDRE, BROCKENHURST, SO42 7WU	Single storey rear extension.	Comment 1

10.2. To consider tree work applications 15/0823 St John's Cottage; 15/0829 Monkshorn Farmhouse; 15/0843 Ash Tree Cottage.

Resolved: No comments.

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11.0. To receive an update on the broadband meeting.

This item was discussed in item 7.0.

12.0. To discuss draft letter for council surgeries in the parish.

Cllr Harris forwarded a draft letter for the council surgeries in the parish. Councillors felt a few changes were required including; change of layout; Parish Councillors names to be added; political logo to be removed; alternative photograph.

Resolved: The clerk will re-draft the letter and send out to councillors.

ACTION KP

13.0. To receive update on 'Taste of East Boldre' event.

It was considered that the Taste of East Boldre event had been a great success. At a wash up meeting there were a few minor issues highlighted but all very manageable. The Allotment Association agreed that they would repeat the event next year. Lisa Owen raised £348.19 for the defibrillator; East Boldre School Fields Trust raised £120.00 on the raffle; through plant sales, book sales, donation, raffle, refreshments and naming of the scarecrow and with costs deducted, the Allotment Association made £207.97.

14.0. To receive an update on the adoption of phone kiosk in East Boldre.

The clerk looked into the transfer or adoption of the phone kiosk and it transpired that they were the same thing. It was suggested that when the phone is removed, a sign stating 'Medical' be placed around the top of the kiosk.

Resolved: The clerk will apply for the consultation of the adoption to begin.

ACTION KP

15.0. To discuss the beach bus which no longer comes through East Boldre.

The clerk was informed by Wilts & Dorset Bus Company that the Beach Bus was withdrawn from East Boldre at the request of NFNPA.

Resolved: The clerk will contact NFNPA again to find out the reasons for the withdrawal and will also write to HCC on the matter.

ACTION KP

16.0. To receive reports from external meetings.

None.

17.0. Agenda items for next meeting.

Resolved: The defibrillator.

ACTION KP

18.0. To confirm date of the next meeting of East Boldre Parish Council

Confirmed as Tuesday 13th October 2015 at 7.00 pm in East Boldre Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Chairman's signature:

Date: