

EAST BOLDRE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 8th October 2019 at 7pm in the East Boldre Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr K Holmes Chairman

Cllr B Hawker Vice Chair

Cllr D Drodge

Cllr M Husband

Cllr L Clark

Cllr R Gabzdyl

Cllr I Moyse

In attendance – Cllr Mans, County Councillor, Cllr Harris, District Councillor, Mrs Nicola Curzon, Parish Clerk; two members of the public.

1.0. To accept apologies for absence.

None

2.0. Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda.

Cllr Husband declared an interest in item 8.3

3.0. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 10th September 2019.

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

4.0. To receive the clerk's report. For information only.

The SLCC held their branch meeting on 25th September. This included a presentation by Transition New Forest, on the climate change crisis. They are urging parish councils to declare a climate change crisis, and were offering plenty of ideas on how the Parish Council could make a difference, including encouraging residents to:

- Reduce waste
- Lift share
- Monitor and reduce energy use

Cllr Mans office, has requested confirmation of East Boldre parish council meeting dates for the next year, which are as follows:

12th November

10th December (only if urgent business)

14th Jan

11th Feb

10th Mar (APM)

14th Apr

12th May (ACM)

9th June

14th July

11th Aug (only if urgent business)

8th Sept

Cllr Moyse will contact Steve Avery from NFNPA to ascertain their stance on planning consent for alternative energy sources, regarding the climate change crisis. **Action IM**

5.0. To receive a report by County Councillor for East Boldre. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Cllr Mans told the council that Hampshire County Council is in the final stages of resolving how to save £80,000,000 in their budget for the next two years:

- The County Council will be looking into Improvements in waste collection, disposal and recycling.
- HCC hopes to improve the resilience of the highways, resurfacing roads before potholes become an issue.

Chairman's signature:

Date: 12/11/2019

5.1. To receive questions on the report by the County Councillor.

Cllr Husband congratulated Cllr Mans on his new role as leader of Hampshire County Council.

He expressed his concern about the delays in the roll out of broadband to East Boldre, despite the agreement that it would be installed by the end of 2019. Cllr Husband will email Cllr Mans who will investigate the matter further.

Action MH

Cllr Husband also questioned Cllr Mans about HCC budget cuts. Cllr Mans hopes that a green paper on social care for the county will be forthcoming.

Cllr Mans also mentioned that the Lengthsman Scheme funding should be ringfenced for the next two years. However, he advised the parish council to set aside future budget funds to cover parish maintenance.

6.0. To receive a report by District Councillor for East Boldre. FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

- NFDC plans to increase household recycling. They are working with HCC, looking carefully at how waste disposal and recycling facilities can be improved.
- Cllr Harris has reconvened the established Broadband group and will continue to push local coverage forward.
- Cllr Harris met with the chairman of New Forest Business Partnership. They hope to increase engagement with the 8000 businesses in the New Forest.
- 7th December will be one of four “Small Business Saturdays”. This initiative will provide free parking in all NFDC car parks on this date (the other three dates for the initiative are yet to be confirmed).
- Cllr Harris has had an encouraging conversation with the Beaulieu Estate about the possibility of building affordable housing at Strawberry Fields.

6.1. To receive questions on the report by the District Councillor.

None

7.0. Public session.

A member of the public expressed concerns about young adults, who are using the bus shelter as a meeting point to sit and drink alcohol (often for several hours).

Resolved: This matter will be monitored over the next month and added to the agenda for November.

8.0. Finance.

To receive payments in accordance with the budget and to note bank reconciliation (Circulated)

Resolved: Payments were received as shown on table below.

<i>Payee</i>	<i>Bacs date</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Payment</i>
Payments			
Emango	12/09/2019	Annual service charge	£360.00
Viking direct	12/09/2019	Stationary	£38.94
Viking direct	12/09/2019	External hard drive	£56.37
Victim Support	12/09/2019	Grant	£100.00
New Forest Disability	12/09/2019	Grant	£200.00
Datacenta	02/10/2019	Domain name hosting	£150.00
N Curzon	06/10/2019	Clerk salary	£999.42
N Curzon	06/10/2019	Clerk expenses	£82.36
HMRC	08/10/2019	NI contribution	£38.24
Sue Jackson (EBOH project)	06/10/2019	Mileage	£15.30
Total paid			£2,040.63
Amount transferred to current account			£2,500.00
Receipts as at date		Detail	Amount
Bank interest	12/09/2019		£3.57
Precept	12/09/2019	NFDC	£7,500.00
Vat rebate	30/09/2019	HMRC	£564.69
Bank reconciliation			
Balance as at date			
HSBC Current	06/10/2019		£2,505.37
HSBC Savings	06/10/2019		£27,843.28
Total			£30,348.65
Net bank balance as at date			
The net balances reconcile to the cash book for the year to date, as follows			
Opening balances			£23,091.95
Add receipts			£18,609.89
uncleared cheque (HMRC)			£38.24
uncleared cheque (HMRC)			£3.92
N Curzon			£999.42
Sue Jackson (EBOH project)			£15.30
Less payments			-12,410.07
Total			£30,348.65

8.2. To consider grant requests from School Fields Trust Hall.

Resolved: The council will give a grant of £480 to SFT to cover the cost of replacing broken play equipment. The clerk will also advise the SFT to apply for a County Councillor's devolved budget grant for £500 to cover other play equipment which may need repair or replacing.

Action NC

8.3. To consider quotes from School Fields Trust Hall and the Village Hall for the parish council meetings venue.

Resolved: Parish council meetings will be held at the Village Hall, if the Village Hall is busy, additional meetings and training may be held at the School Fields Trust hall.

Chairman's signature:

Date: 12/11/2019

9.0. Planning.

No planning applications were discussed.

10.0. To receive an update on complaints about inconsiderate parking around Matthews Lane

Cllr Husband wrote to NFDC requesting "Keep Clear" markings are painted on the road across the entrance of Matthews Lane. No response has been received yet.

Resolved: The clerk will send another email to the Head Teacher of South Baddesley School, requesting that the minibus picks up pupils from the Village Hall car park, rather than the road opposite Matthews Lane.

The clerk will also follow up the request made to Jane Albery for the installation of a convex mirror on the post opposite Matthews Lane. **Action NC**

11.0. To receive an update on the EBOH project.

The recordings for the East Boldre Oral History project are now going well, with several transcribed recordings, and plenty of fascinating stories being told. There is a huge sense of pride amongst those who have contributed to the recordings, and many more names are being put forward by residents. The project is evolving, it has been suggested by NFNPA that more funds may be necessary. These could be obtained by making further grant applications. The clerk has a meeting with NFNPA archeologists and interpretation specialists on 17th October, to go through the material obtained so far.

Resolved: The clerk will make a further grant application when necessary.

12.0. To consider HARA's request to:

- Support moving forward with the available site for developing affordable housing in East Boldre.
- Support HARA in carrying out a consultation event with the community.

Resolved: The council agreed to support HARA for both requests.

13.0. To receive an update on the Village Emergency Plan.

Resolved: On behalf of the parish council, Cllr Hawker thanked Mike Upton for all his hard work creating an emergency plan for the village. The draft plan has been sent to the resilience team in Winchester. With just a few minor changes, the plan will be approved. Cllr Hawker requested confirmation from all councillors that their email addresses and phone numbers can be added to the plan (for use in emergency only). Once amended, the plan will be distributed to all councillors, as well as to the key figures involved in the creation of the plan. There will be a meeting in December for all those who have put their names forward for use in the emergency plan. Cllr Hawker also mentioned the need for a parish first aid kit and mega-phones, which should be provided by the parish council.

14.0. To receive reports from external meetings.

None.

15.0. To confirm councillor representation at School Fields Trust meetings.

Resolved: Cllr Clark and Cllr Hawker will share the role of attending SFT meetings, to listen and report back to council. When appropriate, Cllr Husband will report back to council information from Village Hall meetings.

16.0. Agenda items for next meeting.

2nd budget review for 2019-20. To agree the budget for 2020-21. To set the precept for 2020-21.

To receive an update on antisocial behaviour around the bus stop. To receive an update about inconsiderate parking around the entrance to Matthews Lane.

17.0. To confirm the next Parish Council meeting as 7.00pm on 12th November 2019 in East Boldre Village Hall.

Meeting closed 8.40pm

Chairman's signature:

Date: 12/11/2019