

East Tuddenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 11th June 2012

Attendees: Ian Payter (Chairperson), Lynsay Barrett (Vice Chairperson), Charles Barker, Ted Guy, Anna-Marie High, Bill Borrett (County Councillor), Brian Rose (District Counsellor), Terry Eagling (Clerk)

The meeting opened at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall when Ian Payter welcomed attendees.

An apology for non attendance was received from Alex Leaney

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2012 were approved and duly signed

- *it was agreed that the minutes appearing on the village website should be a copy of the signed minutes and an 'abridged copy' of the minutes, keeping to an A4 sheet can appear in the Village Pump once approved.*

Matters arising from minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2012:

- *limited progress in relation to the initial erection of two dog waste bins. IP agreed to discuss the issue with Breckland.*
- *Church grass-cutting has started but some concern was expressed in relation to an abundance of 'stinging nettles'. IP agreed to discuss with Albert Palgrave on site.*
- *the requisite forms for the appointment of Amy Eagle to fill the Parish Council vacancy have been completed and AE would be invited to the next meeting on 9th July 2012.*
- *TG advised that the white lines required after road resurfacing had been completed. However these were not in the same place as before and did not leave enough space for pedestrians to access the said properties without danger. IP agreed to review.*
- *IP advised that the Diamond Jubilee celebrations appeared to have been enjoyed by all and was climaxed by a very good firework display organised by the Village Hall committee.*

Finance

- *TE presented a set of Accounts recording Funds at the 31st March 2012 of £7,501.79. These accounts had been audited locally and it is necessary for these Accounts to be submitted to the Audit Commission (Mazars) together with the relevant Local Council Annual Return. The Accounts and the Annual Return were approved by Councillors present and were duly signed by IP on behalf of the Council.*
- *it was agreed that the signed documents should be submitted to Mazars immediately. It was also agreed that a copy of the Accounts and documents inviting local residents to review the books of account and relevant paperwork should be displayed on the Village Green notice board and on the Village website.*
- *Barclays continue to send the monthly bank statement to Brackenwood Cottage, the address of one of the previous clerks. IP agreed to try and rectify this. On the basis of the cash book the funds at 11th June 2012 have increased to £8,868.57.*
- *no progress on the bank mandate signatories where only two current councillors can sign cheques. Anna-Marie High is still willing to become an additional third signatory. IP to review requirements of the bank mandate to put in place at least one additional signatory and the requirements to change the addressee for the bank statements.*

- TE confirmed a cheque value £140.00 has been paid to the East Tuddenham Friendship Club.

Planning

- there were no planning applications for review
- a letter from Breckland advised future planning applications would be dealt with electronically

Correspondence

- a letter addressed to the Village Hall committee, the Parish Council and the Village Charities committee was discussed extensively. This was primarily in relation to dog fouling on the children's play area, on the playing field, and proposed the erection of a fence around the play area. It was agreed that the administration of the playing field was under the auspices of the Village Hall but not relevant to the Charities committee. No firm proposals were made and IP agreed to discuss the matter with the Village Hall chairperson.

Any other business

- a complaint about the state of the bus shelter was reviewed. CB advised that he had attempted to clean the bus shelter but that the materials used during construction of the shelter did not facilitate appropriate cleaning. After some debate it was agreed that the shelter should be replaced with a better designed facility and perhaps slightly repositioned.
- comments were reviewed that as a result of the wet season the grass verges through the village were overgrown leading to danger generally and, especially when accessing the main road, from minor roads. IP agreed to follow this up with Norfolk Highways.
- IP agreed to follow up the complaint that loose chippings, as a result of road resurfacing, remain on the footpath leading up to the old Honingham school, and is uncomfortable for pedestrians. At the brow of the hill there is damage to the footpath as a result of heavy farm equipment entering and leaving their site.
- LB reported that silt from the fields as a result of heavy rain continued to be a hazard in Sandy Lane especially to motor cyclists. IP agreed to mention this in his correspondence with Norfolk Highways.
- CB advised that the earth bridge crossing the footpath to the right of the Church was being eroded by unusual levels of running water. He agreed to speak to George Robinson (the farm foreman) for rectification in the first instance.

Date for next meeting – the next meeting will be in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on 9th July 2012

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.



Chairperson

Date

9/7/2012