

East Tuddenham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held 14th March 2016

Attendees: Chantal Childs (Clerk), Anna High, Alexandra Leaney,
Ian Payter, Gary Watkins

Apologies: Charles Barker, Lynsay Barrett, Sarah Mugford,

(The meeting opened at 7.35pm in the Village Hall)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 8th February were approved and duly signed.

2. **Matters arising from those minutes**

- There still continues to be concerns from residents regarding drainage issues near The Beeches around The Street end of Common Road. The PC are aware of this and will be monitoring it. At present there are a lot of waterlogged areas so it is difficult to see if it will be an issue. IP commented that there was a verge and large hole there which Fleur Developments were aware of and should have dealt with any potential long term issue. A local resident is contacting Fleur to check. AH commented that the water may lead to the road breaking up in the future.
- IP has chased Highways regarding the footpath in front of the houses currently without one along Mattishall Road. IP also made reference to the results from the SAM2 speeds signs to highlight the safety issue. The average number of vehicles through East Tuddenham on the Mattishall Road is 3,500 per day (without recording central residents) and there are only approximately 200 houses in the village. This is also expected to get worse with potential plans for more houses in Mattishall, Yaxham and Dereham. The average speed is 34-35mph and the highest recorded is 70mph.
- IP has not yet heard from the Village Hall regarding the whereabouts of the lease for the children's play area. Apparently enquiries have been made and searches will be made again. The lease will need to be re-written, amended or a side letter attached to pass over responsibility to the PC. AH commented the PC cannot take on the liability without knowing the obligations within the lease.
- IP informed the PC that Highways visited the area of Charity Land under question at the bottom of Church Lane and they advised if people can prove they have used it for over twenty years then a public right of way can be forced upon the Charities. The Charities have been informed of this and the responsibilities involved if a footpath crosses land. This will be passed to the Charity trustees and a meeting held. IP suggested PC members to meet with trustees in the first instance as representatives of the villagers.
- Correspondence has been received from Norfolk County Council that a revised version of the adopted Local List has been produced and there is a 6 week consultation period to allow for comments from the public from 8th March 2016 to 19th April 2016. This can be made on the Norfolk County Council Local List for Validation of Planning Applications Consultation Draft March 2016 where comments can be submitted by email or letter. Members of PC confirmed they have made comments.
- AH has made initial enquiries to obtain guidance on cost for sub-contracting the East Tuddenham website. She commented on the format of the website and the PC discussed whether a different and more updated format would be more appropriate. IP will have discussions with the Village Hall, Church and Charities about how they wish to proceed.

3. **Finance:**

- CC received the Mazars notice of audit of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016, which is to be approved by 30th June 2016 and submitted by 6th July 2016. CC will re-confirm changes to the Audit Commission and its impact on existing arrangements for the audit during the next meeting.

4. **Planning:**

- 3PL/2016/0062/F – Harrisons Farm, Common Road – confirmation received - application passed
- 3PL/2014/1203/F – Temporary siting of mobile home and change of use of storage building to dog kennels (part retrospective) – this application was previously refused latter part of 2015. The PC have

received notification that this has gone to the Secretary of State for appeal. AH confirmed our previous comments will be taken into account when it's appointed to an independent inspector who will produce an independent opinion.

5. Correspondence

- *CC received notification of a Parish Ranger visit during the week commencing 4th April. LB has raised concerns about a number of potholes by the council houses. GW highlighted an issue with the drains at the top of Church Lane flooding and AL commented they are not cleared out regularly and there is mud coming from the fields/works. These jobs will be passed to the Rangers.*
- *CC received correspondence from Breckland Council that they are undertaking a digitisation programme across all departments and reviewing which processes can be carried out using more environmentally friendly methods. They are proposing to commence e-mailing consultations for planning application documentation from 1st March.*

6. Updates from Councillors

- *AL brought it to the attention of the PC that there is mud at the bottom of Church lane that needs clearing. This will be added to the list of jobs for the Parish Rangers.*

*Dates for the next three meetings are: 11th April, 9th May and 13th June at 7:30pm
(The meeting closed at 8:30pm)*