

EARDISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Eardisland
held on Thursday 18 May 2017 at 7.00 pm at Eardisland Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Maryan Hanson (Chairman)

In Attendance: Ward Cllr Roger Phillips, 6 members of the public and Parish Clerk Alison Sutton.

1. **Apologies of absence** – Richard Kirby and Hugh Lowe.
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting** – 12 May 2016. These were SIGNED.
3. **Public Forum** – NOTED thanks for hard work by council and well done in getting NDP finished. Reports from Kington Safer Neighbourhood Team and Ward Cllr Roger Phillips NOTED.
4. **Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council** – The Chairman made the following points about activities of the Council:
 - Neighbourhood Development Plan went to referendum on 8 September 2016, 43% turnout and 86% voted in favour of NDP being adopted (made) by Herefordshire Council, made in early October. Grateful thanks to all the Steering Group for their hard work over 2.5 years
 - NDP has helped with responses to planning applications; application for 5 houses at Orchard Farm refused at committee, after hard work to get committee referral, appeal dismissed and robust NDP noted in appeal decision
 - Other applications responded to include: various tree works, sheds, garages and bigger applications at The Brouch and again at Orchard Farm which are still pending
 - Follow-up to flood alleviation study: extra threshold surveys done after Herefordshire agreed further funding; information now received and letters will shortly be sent to individual householders giving specific household threshold level and levels at nearest datum points
 - Speed Indication Device deployed once, following long time without while Herefordshire purchased new equipment; £250 deployment cost, another booked for this year, then will be reviewed; joint purchase of unit will also be considered
 - Various works/repairs undertaken at village hall including roadway repairs and a new heater
 - Worked with Ward Cllr and Monkland parish council to get 50mph limit brought in on A44
 - Supported Parish Footpath Officers to improve footpath network and replace some stiles with gates
 - Also supporting Eardisland Memorial Walks project and acting as banker
 - 2 new councillors, Hugh Lowe and Merry Albright, have succeeded Paul Simner and Edward Thomas, following their sad deaths
 - New updated parish website and parish leaflet have improved access and information, thanks to Ben Woodcock and Phil Milchard for their respective hard work
 - Parish magazine continues successfully, after a minor printing issue, many thanks to Chris Bivand and his team for their ongoing input
 - Thanks to all the organisations and volunteers for making Eardisland such a vibrant happy parish.
5. **Parish Organisations** – written reports NOTED for Parish Organisations
 - 5.1. Church of the Virgin Mary Parochial Church Council
 - 5.2. Dovecote Trust
 - 5.3. Eardisland Bowling Club
 - 5.4. Eardisland Community Shop
 - 5.5. Eardisland in Bloom
 - 5.6. Eardisland Heritage and History Group
 - 5.7. Eardisland Local Link and Share a Care
 - 5.8. Eardisland Village Band
 - 5.9. Parish Magazine

- 5.10. Twinning Association
- 5.11. Village Hall Management Committee
- 5.12. Whittington Exhibition Foundation
- 5.13. Women's Institute

This meeting was declared closed at 7.12 pm.

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(Chairman)

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