

EARDISLAND PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Thursday 26 October 2017 at 7.30 pm
in Eardisland Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Maryan Hanson (Chairman), Richard Kirby, Merry Albright, Hugh Lowe and Phil Milchard.

In Attendance: Ward Cllr Roger Phillips; Parish Clerk Alison Sutton; and 2 members of public.

1. **Apologies of absence** – Cllr David Weir; Footpath Officers Sue Wallis and Jo Watson.
2. **Declarations of interest** – Cllr Maryan Hanson DECLARED a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in items 8.1 and 8.2 and left the meeting during these items.
3. **Vacancy for councillor** – Notice of Vacancy received, request for by-election must be received by Herefordshire by 20 November. If no request received, council able to co-opt.
4. **Minutes of the previous meeting** – 5 October 2017. These were ADOPTED and signed.
5. **Public Forum** –
 - 5.1. West Mercia Police – Report in the Clerk’s Information Sheet (CIS) NOTED.
 - 5.2. Ward Councillor – Report in the CIS NOTED. Update: Herefordshire just given £15mill more funding for new technology and engineering university; poppies display at cathedral soon, cost Herefordshire £30-40k; planning application at The Brouch, decision imminent.
 - 5.3. Local Residents – Student accommodation to be provided by Herefordshire or new university; block in ditch reported online, damaged headwall; village entry gates seen as waste of time; village entry gates seen as effective in defining gateway.
6. **Financial Procedures** – The balance of the current account stands at £53,839.26, as at 15 October 2017. The following payments (excluding VAT) were AGREED and income NOTED:
 - 6.1. EM Davis, Eardisland Memorial Walks, £75, C/N 100776
 - 6.2. SLCC, Clerk’s pro-rata conference fee, £76, C/N 100777
 - 6.3. Income from Eardisland in Bloom, Donation for new path, £119.38
 - 6.4. Income from Eardisland Community Shop, Donation for new path, £250
7. **Parish Reports and Issues** –
 - 7.1. Lengthsman Scheme – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to: follow up jobs from 5 October – cleaning of white lines, drain tops, vegetation around salt bins and clear out Lyme Lane ditch. Clerk INSTRUCTED to: arrange Hitrees to undertake hedge cutting in War Memorial carpark, place signs out night before; place advance warning signs; ensure Broome Lane signage checked on drive round.
 - 7.2. Footpath Officers – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to inform officers that shoot arranged on land nearby to walk on 28 October. AGREED Cllr Lowe to inform shoot captain about planned walk.
 - 7.3. Eardisland Memorial Walks Project – Report NOTED: Project moving on; event officially opening new gate on ED1A (Warren Peter Clowes Walk) on 31 October.
 - 7.4. Play area – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to check if Fawns charging for visit.
 - 7.5. Eardisland in Bloom and Memorial Benches – Report in CIS NOTED. Update: Craft Fair £1,600 profit; grateful thanks to many volunteers throughout the weekend. Clerk INSTRUCTED to obtain address and send letter of thanks for memorial bench.
 - 7.6. Eardisland Village Hall Improvement Plan – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to arrange advice from Chartered Building Engineer previously consulted and arrange quotes as required. Update NOTED: electrics now legally compliant but not as actually wanted; committee following up.
 - 7.7. Issues re Lawton Cross – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to respond to email received: as Eardisland parishioners affected by Lawton Cross, parish council supports

measures to improve road safety throughout whole area, including reducing HGV traffic on unsuitable smaller roads, note that not determining parish council.

- 7.8. Date for river walk – AGREED 9.30 on Thursday 25 January 2018, meet in village hall carpark. Clerk INSTRUCTED to contact Locality Steward, Environment Agency and landowners.
- 7.9. Village entry gates and roundels – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to get further costs and add to next agenda. AGREED to see if in future, funding available from developers under s278.
- 7.10. Rubble at The Brouch – Report in CIS NOTED. Clerk INSTRUCTED to: send letter if application refused, giving 4 weeks to remove rubble, remind landowners not allowed to store rubble on floodplain, need license, especially if risk of contamination; contact enforcement re caravans once application determined.

8. Planning Applications –

- 8.1. P173545/F, Home Farm, Eardisland, HR6 9DN – Proposed cover to an existing agricultural manure store – RESOLVED to support.
- 8.2. P173546/F, Home Farm, Eardisland, HR6 9DN – Proposed cover to an existing agricultural manure store – RESOLVED to support and comment as follows: Council considers material such as Yorkshire boarding on south face of building facing Burton Court park would be more sympathetic to adjacent property.
- 8.3. NOTED P173176/K, Knapp House, Eardisland, HR6 9BD – Remove two trunks of multi trunked Cupressus – Works can proceed.

9. Response to Rights of Way Improvement Plan consultation – Clerk INSTRUCTED to respond as follows: Council considers that P3 funding must continue to enable PC to undertake work and meet objectives for parish councils outlined in this document and relevant legislation.

10. Parish council meeting dates for 2018 – AGREED as follows: 11 January, 15 February, 15 March, 26 April, 24 May, 21 June, 19 July, 6 September, 25 October, 22 November. .

11. Correspondence – Correspondence in CIS NOTED.

12. Matters for the next agenda or action under Clerk’s delegated powers –

Next agenda:

- Village entry – further costs.

Clerk’s action:

- Obtain further costs for village entry as above
- Forward information on HALC village hall session to EVHMC
- HALC conference, Clerk attend
- Community First AGM – no attendance
- NDP Event 1 December – Cllr Kirby +1, inform Herefordshire and provide copy of document.

13. Date of next meeting – Thursday 23 November 2017.

This meeting was declared closed at 9.13 pm.

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(Chairman)

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