

ELDERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Eldersfield Parish Council held on
Thursday 8th May 2014 at Eldersfield Lawn School, commencing at 8.35 p.m.**

Present: H.S. Davis (Chairman), R.S. Manwaring MBE, Mrs R. Wilder,
O.D. Williams

In Attendance: Pc Naulls

**Members of the
Public:** -

1. To elect a Chairman

Mr Davis indicated that he was willing to serve as Chairman, but only until the next meeting.
It was RESOLVED that Mr Davis be chairman of the Parish Council until the next meeting.

2. To elect a Vice Chairman

Mr Manwaring indicated that he was willing to serve as Vice-Chairman, but only until the next meeting. It was **RESOLVED that Mr Manwaring be Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council until the next meeting.**

3. Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from C.H. Jeffes, B.N. Parsons Mrs C. Powell-Chandler and C. J. Whitehead.

District Councillor Bronwen Behan presented her apologies.

4. Members' interests

None

5. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 13th March 2014 were accepted as a true record of that meeting and were signed as such by the Chairman of the meeting.

6. Matters arising

None.

7. Reports from District and County Councillors

Not available

8. Reports from Police

Pc Naulls reported that

- a new inspector would be in office within the next three months;

- the police ‘surgery’ at the school had effectively been rained off; it was his intention to repeat the event, without rain, in the near future.
- during the past year there had been 3 attempted thefts from motor vehicles, 2 anti-social behaviours and 1 criminal damage. He believed that the level of criminality, although light, was approximately the same as the previous year. A number of complaint had been made to the police in respect of last year’s badger cull.

9. Public Comment

None

10. Planning

SUMMARY OF PLANNING DECISIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

- 14/00121/HOU** 2 bay oak framed garage and workshop
- End House, Corse Lawn
 - End House, Link End Road, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4NN

Council’s Comments:

Withdrawn By Applicant

- 14/00133/FUL** Construction of a 25m x 50m manège in the paddock adjoining the property, for personal use
- Upper Denbury House, Swinley Lane, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4PF
 - Mr Sam Smith

Council’s Comments:

Approval (Full Planning)

SUMMARY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISION

- 13/01282/HOU** Old Cider Barn, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4PE
- Detached garage, built from brick and tiles similar to the main house
 - Mr Oliver May

Council’s Comments

Pending Decision

- 13/01565/HOU** Erection of home office/gym
- The Old Forge Bridgend Eldersfield GL19 3PL

- Mr Scott Winnard

Council's Comments:

The proposed extension to the Old Forge will dominate and totally overpower the character of the Old Forge. We appreciate that the Old Forge itself is very small and that a modest and sympathetic extension would be beneficial.

Accordingly, we do not support this proposal.

We recommend that:

- 1) the applicant liaise with the Planning Officer and seek a more sympathetic proposal, e.g. by reducing the size and by using materials in keeping with the Old Forge;
- 2) comprehensive landscaping be a condition of any future planning consent

Pending Decision

14/00144/FUL

Change of use of holiday let/student/caretaker accommodation to use as an independent residential dwelling

- The Old Forge, Bridgend, Eldersfield, Worcestershire, GL19 4PP
- Mr Scott Winnard

Council's Comments:

None

Pending Decision

14/00462/COM

Variation of planning conditions 2 and 4 and removal of planning condition 3 on planning permission reference number: 13/000058/COM so as to allow the increase in throughput of material from 6,000 tonnes per annum to 9,000 tonnes per annum; the sale of bulk loads of compost to local farmers and other trade/bulk users and for the compost to be used on the applicants land and also on land elsewhere.

- Pendock Environmental Site Office, Pendock, Worcestershire
- Pendock Environmental

Council's Comments:

None

Pending Decision

14/00343/FUL

Change of use of land for equestrian purposes and erection of a manège (personal use)

- The Grove, Lime Street, Eldersfield, Worcestershire, GL19 4NX
- Mrs L Peel

Council's Comments:

None

Pending Decision

14/00337/FUL

Corse Lawn Garage, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4PE

- Extension to provide vehicle show room and waiting area
- NRT Motors

Council's Comments:

None

Pending Decision

14/00259/FUL

End House, Link End Road, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4NN

- Change of use of land from agricultural to residential and proposed 2 bay oak framed garage and workshop (Part-retrospective)
- MR Zandona

Council's Comments:

None

Pending Decision

11. BT Phone Boxes

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Headmaster of the School.

12. Accounts

It was **RESOLVED** that the accounts circulated by the Clerk prior to the meeting be approved and adopted as the Accounts of the Council; that they be attached hereto as Appendix A; and that the Chairman be authorised to sign the Annual Return Sections 1 and 2, and the Council required that the Clerk publish forthwith the relevant Notice as prescribed by regulation.

13. Investment Policy

It was **RESOLVED** that, in accordance with item 15 of the minutes of the meeting of 11th May 2006, the Council's investment policy remain that all funds be maintained in a current account and that this Policy be reviewed annually.

14. Risk Assessment

The Councillors considered the Risk Assessment Policy adopted on 14th July 2011 and decided that no amendments were required.

15. Insurance

The Council considered the offer of the Council's current insurer Zurich Limited to renew the insurance for the year commencing 1st June 2014 at a premium of £230.00 and it was **RESOLVED** that this offer be accepted.

16. CALC

The Council considered the invitation by CALC to renew the Council's membership for the current year at a premium of £233.94 and it was **RESOLVED** that this invitation be accepted.

17. Authorisation of Disbursements

It was **RESOLVED** that the following disbursements be made:

£ 175.11	J L Gabbott
£42.60	HMRC
£247.87	CALC
£243.80	Zurich

18. Correspondence

Received:

- CALC: Updates

19. Future Meetings

It was noted that future meetings of the Council would, in accordance with Minute 19 of the meeting of 14th November 2013, take place at 7.30 pm at Eldersfield Lawn School on the following Thursdays in 2014: 10th July, 11th September, 13th November.

20. Other business

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

JLG
12.5.14

Accounts for the Year 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014

		2012-13	2013-14
		£	£
Receipts	Precept	4,000	4,000
	Grant from MHDC	500	
	Grant from CAPRI		1,033
	Hire of table, chairs, china	45	83
	VAT Refund		236
		4,545	5,352

		2012-13	2013-14
		£	£
Payments	Clerk: salary, expenses	1,661	1,448
	Insurance	225	244
	Audit	144	
	CALC	243	234
	Grant: CL Women's Group	60	80
	Grant: Flower Arrangement classes		41
	Grant: Jubilee Committees	139	60
	Grant: Milestone Society		80
	Grant: St John the Baptist	500	500
	Hire of meeting rooms	128	148
	Election expenses		
	Other: Jubilee Commem Booklet		387
	Other - Notice Board	440	650
		3,540	3,872

2013-14	
£	Assets
£4,950	Shed, tables, chairs, etc

£	Cash
8,827	Opening Bank Balance
5,352	Receipts
- 3,872	Payments
1,480	Net cash movement
10,307	Closing Bank Balance

I certify that these accounts present fairly the financial position of the Council and its receipts and payments for the year ended 31st March 2014

J L Gabbott *Clerk*
17th April 2014