

# **ELDERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Eldersfield Parish Council held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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*Withdrawn By Applicant*

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- 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)*

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**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*

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- 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*

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- 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*

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- 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*

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- 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*

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- 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*

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- 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*

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### **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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> November 2013, take place at 7.30 pm at Eldersfield Lawn School on the following Thursdays in 2014: 10th July, 11th September, 13<sup>th</sup> 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

<i>Receipts</i>		2012-13	2013-14	2013-14	<i>Assets</i>
		£	£	£	
	Precept	4,000	4,000		
	Grant from MHDC	500			
	Grant from CAPRI		1,033		
	Hire of table, chairs, china	45	83		
	VAT Refund		236		
		<b>4,545</b>	<b>5,352</b>	<b>£4,950</b>	Shed, tables, chairs, etc
<i>Payments</i>		2012-13	2013-14	£	<i>Cash</i>
		£	£		
	Clerk: salary, expenses	1,661	1,448	8,827	Opening Bank Balance
	Insurance	225	244	5,352	Receipts
	Audit	144		-	Payments
	CALC	243	234	3,872	Net cash movement
	Grant: CL Women's Group	60	80	1,480	
	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		
		<b>3,540</b>	<b>3,872</b>	<b>10,307</b>	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