

ELDERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eldersfield Parish Council held on
Tuesday 19th September 2017 at Eldersfield Lawn School, commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: A. Davies (Chairman),
J. Keighley, Mrs C Powell-Chandler, Mrs S Rush, O. Williams

In Attendance: -

**Members of the
Public:** 3

1. Apologies for absence

A.J. Etherington, Mrs D Holt

2. Members' interests

None

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting

The draft Minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 2017 were accepted as a true record of that meeting and were signed as such by the Chairman of the meeting.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

Mrs Rush advised the meeting that she had reported to County Councillor Wells that the bridge at Bridge End had been damaged and that it had been repaired. The Chairman reminded the meeting that an excellent road problem reporting tool existed on Worcestershire County Council's website and that the response of that Council was usually swift and effective.

5. Reports from District and County Councillors

Both District and County Councillors were absent and no report was available.

6. Police Report

The Police Report circulated prior to the meeting was noted. The Clerk was asked to enquire of the Police why the theft of lead from the roof of the Church appears not to have been reported.

7. Public Comment:

None

8. Broadband

The Chairman had written to four MPs and the Chairman of BT to complain that the provision of broadband within certain areas of the Parish was unacceptable slow. He was contacted by a member of the High Level Complaints Team within BT who gave the Chairman to understand that few if any further improvements within the Parish were currently

planned. However, an offer was made to the Chairman that a BT representative would be pleased to attend a meeting to discuss the matter further. After discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman accept that invitation and arrange the meeting.

9. Defibrillator

It was suggested by Councillors that the acquisition of one or more defibrillators could be of potential benefit to the community. Various possible sites were suggested.

Councillors decided that they had insufficient information with which to make a decision and asked the Clerk to submit a report on the options and relevant considerations before the next meeting.

10. Facebook

Mrs Challoner advised the meeting of the status of the Facebook page. Various councillors offered items for inclusion and Mrs Challoner said that she would be pleased to accept them.

11. Grant Request:

Ellen Challoner, trustee of two Charities in the Parish, requested a grant to assist one of the charities in its work. After discussion, Councillors felt that on the information available they could not immediately accede to the request. They made clear that they would be pleased to re-consider the matter when further information had been provided.

12. Planning

SUMMARY OF PLANNING DECISIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

- 16/01748/FUL** Conversion of granary into ancillary residential unit - including single storey extensions
- Cromer Farm, Pendock, Worcestershire, GL19 3PG

Council's Comments
No comment

Approved

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Council's Comments
Under consideration

Approved

SUMMARY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISION

- 17/00644/HP** Proposed porch extension and two bay oak framed garage
- Linkend Cottage, Link End Road, Corse Lawn, Gloucester, GL19 4NN

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/00701/HP** Single storey lean to extension to side and rear and first floor extension over kitchen.
- Brook Cottage Bridgend Eldersfield Gloucester GL19 4PL

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/00736/HP** Demolition of existing single-storey side extension. Construction of two-storey extension.
- The Cottage Gadfield Elm Staunton Gloucester GL19 3PB

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/00883/HP** Erection of a two-storey extension to the front elevation; alterations to the existing two-storey front extension and provision of a new window in the western elevation of the dwelling at first floor level and associated works.
- Hooze Farm Eldersfield Gloucester GL19 4PJ

Council's Comments

Pending decision

- 17/00863/HP** Two storey rear extension, Two new dormer windows and new flue in the rear elevation, replacement of an existing cider shed with a new cider shed and replacement of an existing garage with a car port.
- Witsend Corse Lawn Gloucester GL19 4NB

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/00884/LB** Hooze Farm Eldersfield Gloucester GL19 4PJ
- Erection of a two-storey extension to the front elevation; alterations to the existing two-storey front extension and provision of a new window in the western elevation of the dwelling at first floor level and associated works

Council's Comments

Pending decision

- 17/00911/FUL** Erection of stables and change of use of agricultural land to equestrian use.
- Berth House Moorend Road Eldersfield Gloucester GL19 4NS

Council's Comments

Support. We have no comments

Pending decision

- 17/01161/FUL** Proposed agricultural worker's dwelling.
- Gunnions Farm Eldersfield, Gloucester GL19 4PP

Council's Comments

Support. We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/01184/LB** Replacement of treads and risers on staircase between ground floor and first floor. (Retrospective)
- Hooze Farm Eldersfield Gloucester GL19 4PJ

Council's Comments

Support. We have no objection.

Pending decision

- 17/01200/FUL** Demolition of pre-fabricated bungalow and construction of replacement dwelling
- Burghill, Gadfield Elm, Staunton Gloucester GL19 3PB

Council's Comments

Support. We have no objections

Pending decision

- 17/01265/HP Car Port
- Greenleaves Corse Lawn, Gloucester, GL19 4PE

Council's Comments

Support. We have no comments

Pending decision

13. Committed Funds

The statement of Committed Funds circulated before the meeting was noted.

14. Bank Signatories

Following Mrs Willder's resignation from the Council it was **RESOLVED** that the Council instruct the Bank that Mrs Willder's name be removed from the list of signatories authorised to operate the Council's bank account.

15. School Parking Spaces

The Chairman reported that the first part of the project had been completed satisfactorily and in his view the standard of work was high. No near misses had been reported. Cllr Williams said that he had heard some parents suggest that the average speed of cars passing through the area had increased.

16. Lengthsman

The reports submitted by the Lengthsman for July and August were received and noted. It was **RESOLVED** that the Lengthsman's invoices for July and August 2017 in the amount of **£472.00** be paid.

17. Council Vacancies

It was noted that there were two vacancies on the Council. Councillors instructed the Clerk to include the co-option of not more than two councillors in the agenda of the next meeting.

18. Telephone kiosk

The use to which the Council's telephone kiosk at Bridge End could be put was discussed. The kiosk is disused and has been newly repainted. Members thought that a role as a book exchange might be appropriate but decided that the views of Parishioners should be canvassed through the medium of the Newsletter. The matter will be reviewed in November.

19. Authorisation of Disbursements

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

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| £ 148.88 | J L Gabbott |
| £92.80 | HMRC |
| £472.00 | Lengthsman (£236.00 July; £236 August) |
| £25.57 | WCC (hire of hall 13 th July 2017) |

20. Future Meetings

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 14th November 2017 at Eldersfield Lawn School commencing at 7.30 p.m.

21. Other business

None

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.08 p.m.

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