

EASTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting of Eastham Parish Council held in Eastham Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 31st August 2017

**Present: Cllr Arnold (Chairman), Cllr Adams,
Cllr Horsfall, Cllr Jones, Cllr Ward, Cllr Matravers**

In Attendance: Clerk, 6 Members of Public

1. **Apologies:** Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Worsley.
2. **Co-option of a Cllr (circulated)** – Two applications had been received. A ballot was taken, the majority voted for Ian Matravers. The other applicant was thanked for his interest in the vacancy. Ian was welcomed onto the PC and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
3. **Declaration of Interest:**
 - a. **Register of Interests** – Cllr Matravers to complete form and send to MHDC.
 - b. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests** – All Cllrs Items 7d, 8 and 11 Eastham Memorial Hall issues.
 - c. **Other Disclosable Interests** – As (b) above.
4. **Dispensations** - To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) –
Dispensations requested – All Cllrs requested a Dispensation for item 8 – Planning - 17/01214/FUL - Eastham Memorial Hall, it was agreed by all Cllrs can speak and vote on this matter until May 2019. Cllr Matravers also requested a Dispensation for items 7d and 11 regarding Eastham Memorial Hall issues, it was agreed by all he could speak and vote on this issue until May 2019. Cllrs were granted Dispensations at meeting held on 24th May 2016 to speak and vote on all Eastham Memorial Hall items until May 2019.
5. **Public Question Time** – No issues raised.
6. **Eastham Parish Council Working Party** –
 - a. To adopt policy for Working Party as circulated – It was agreed by all to adopt the Policy as drafted.
 - b. To report on meeting held on 4th August – notes had been circulated to Cllrs and published on website.
 - c. To report on Joint Meeting held with Eastham Memorial Hall on 8th August – notes had been circulated, further meeting being arranged for September.
 - d. To discuss local contractors to be considered for the tender process as discussed at joint meeting held on 8th August (this item will not discuss financial matters). Three Cllrs had visited two contractors, notes were circulated tonight, one member of Hall Committee had been present at this meeting. It was felt to be an informative meeting and contractors said they would be willing to put in a tender for the new Hall.
7. **Finances** –
Payments made – Mr I Mapp LM June/July 2017 = £374.20.
8. **Planning:**
Plans for consideration at this meeting –
17/01214/FUL Location: Eastham Memorial Hall, Eastham - The demolition of the existing village hall to be replaced with a new community hall building of a similar size and scale. After discussion, it was agreed by all to support this application. Comments regarding exterior finish of roof and walls due to residents living near the site having concerns. Hedges to be retained. Application states mains sewerage which is incorrect.
9. **Date of next meeting: Tuesday 26th SEPTEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm**
10. **Cllrs agreed to close meeting to the Public due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.**

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11. Eastham Memorial Hall – Lease with Eastham Memorial Hall

- a. To discuss any issues that may need further consideration before final Lease agreed. Cllrs had draft Lease circulated to them and a copy had been sent to Eastham Memorial Hall Solicitor. No reply yet received.
- b. To agree to final Lease as drafted (subject to it being finalised by PC Solicitor for this meeting). No discussion see (11a).
- c. **To discuss local contractors to be considered for the tender process as discussed at joint meeting held on 8th August (this item will discuss financial matters).** It was agreed by all to send details of all three contractors to Eastham Memorial Hall for consideration. Hall have stated they need three contractors in total, if more are approached costs will be involved, Cllrs asked Clerk to obtain costs from Hall if further tenders sent out. Cllrs who had visited two of the contractors were impressed with the ideas put forward to reduce the building costs etc.

12. Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Signed----- Date 26th September 2017
Chairman
