

ELDERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eldersfield Parish Council held on
Thursday 14th September 2016 at Eldersfield Lawn School, commencing at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mrs Willder (Chairman), A.J. Etherington,
Mrs D Holt, J. Keighley, Mrs S Rush,
O. Williams

In Attendance: District Councillor Bronwen Behan

**Members of the
Public:** 2

In the absence of Mr Davies, Mrs Willder took the Chair.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were accepted from A. Davies, Mrs C Powell-Chandler,.

2. Members' interests

None

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting

The draft Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14th July 2016 were accepted as a true record of that meeting and were signed as such by the Chairman of the meeting.

4. Matters arising

Mrs Holt reported that the School had been very appreciative of the gift by the Council of the Queen's Commemorative medallion to each pupil.

5. Reports from District and County Councillors

District Councillor Bronwen Behan reported that County Councillor Tom Wells was making good progress and was gradually resuming work. Councillor expressed their pleasure at this news.

Mrs Behan then said that the Malvern Festival of Innovation would be taking place from 2nd to 8th October (details available on their website). A shuttle bus would be available from the station.

6. Report from the Police

No report was available from the Police.

Members understood that there had been one intruder reported on a private property – and apprehended – and that the badger cull was again under way.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Green Lane

It was noted that the Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board had written to the Council indicating that it would contact the Council in September to arrange a meeting prior to the commencement of further work in the Green Lane; no such contact had yet been received. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board in order to progress matters. The Council noted that the Board had also asked the Clerk about the Council's position on the matters which the Board had recorded as a complaint; it was suggested that the intended meeting could also be a suitable occasion for resolving those issues.

9. Complaint from Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board:

The Clerk explained to Councillors that subsequent to the Council's letter of 27th May 2016 to the Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board the Board had lodged a complaint with the Council. Copies of that complaint and associated correspondence had been circulated to members before the meeting. He summarised the complaint as being twofold: that the Council had improperly misquoted legislation and policies and had thereby significantly distorted the truth and that by sending a copy of its letter to other public authorities the Council had intended to harm the reputation of the Board.

Members considered the matter carefully. They could see no misquotation or improper abbreviation of the documents cited and rejected the suggestion that by copying the letter to other authorities it had been the Council's intention to harm the Board's reputation. They had acted throughout without the intention of causing offence to the Board.

It was **RESOLVED** that the complaint of the Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board be dismissed and that the Board's request for an apology be refused.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the Board accordingly.

10. Planning

SUMMARY OF PLANNING DECISIONS SINCE LAST MEETING

16/00854/HOU Extension to existing dwelling to form an annexe.
3, Prospect Cottages, Lime Street, Eldersfield, Worcestershire, GL19 4NX

Council's Comments

We have no comments.

Approval (Full) Planning Householder

16/00625/FUL Proposed conversion of upper floor of existing garage to holiday let including external alterations for dormer windows and additional fenestration
Springfield Cottage, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4LU

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Approval (Full Planning)

16/00431/FUL Conversion and extension of existing barn/outbuilding to from 2 bedroom holiday cottage (alternative scheme to approval 13/00800/FUL)

The Grove, Lime Street, Eldersfield, Worcestershire, GL19 4NX

Council's Comments

We have no objection.

Approval (Full Planning)

SUMMARY OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISION

15/01566/FUL Erection of replacement dwelling
Annexe At, Ploughs End, Corse Lawn, Worcestershire, GL19 4LZ

Council's Comments

We have no objections.

Pending Decision

16/01034/HOU First floor side extension with balcony and porch to front elevation
Rose Tree Cottage, Lime Street, Eldersfield, Gloucester GL51 6SH

Council's Comments

Under consideration

Pending Decision

11. Committed Funds

The statement of Committed Funds circulated prior to the meeting was noted.

12. Authorisation of Disbursements

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

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| £ 155.81 | J L Gabbott |
| £104.00 | HMRC |
| £472.00 | Mr J Moore, Lengthsman services (July £236.00; August £236.00) |
| £271.68 | Queen's Commemorative Medallions |
| £114.48 | Viking (Chairs) |
| £20.47 | WCC (hire of School Hall 14th July 2016) |

13. Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted

- Lower Severn Internal Drainage Board (various)
- CALC Updates
- Eldersfield Lawn School: letter of thanks for Queen's Commemorative medallion

14. Future Meetings

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday 1st November at Eldersfield Lawn School commencing at 7.30 p.m.

15. Other business

It was noted that

- an offer had been received to refurbish the telephone kiosk at Bridge End and the Clerk was asked to review the matter in the light of the authority previously given to him;
- although the B4211 had been resurfaced a large gap had been left at the boundary between the two counties.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

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