EASTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting of Eastham Parish Council held in Eastham Memorial Hall at 8.00pm on Tuesday 29th March 2011

Present: Cllr Inge (Chairman), Cllr Brookes, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Adams, Cllr Norman, Cllr Horsfall

In Attendance: Clerk, County Cllrs Ken Pollock and 1 Member of the Public.

- 1. Apologies: Received and accepted from Cllr Dowling.
- 2. Declaration of Interests -
- a. Register of Interests No changes reported.
- **b.** To declare any Personal interests Cllrs Brookes item 9a due to being neighbour.
- **c.** To declare any Prejudicial Interests Cllrs Brookes as above.
- 3. Public Question Time No matters were raised.
- **4. Minutes of last Meeting** Minutes of Meeting held on 30th November 2010 were agreed and signed by Chairman.
- **5. District Cllrs report** Apologies received.

County Cllrs report – Bus Services being reviewed. Service in Eastham being stopped. Information had been circulated by Clerk and public had responded. Puddleton Lane and Highwood Road on list to be mended this year. Government had provided extra funding for potholes. Tenbury producing Parish Plan this year. Improvements to Tenbury footways and Teme Bridge being repaired. Improvement to Broadband being looked at in rural areas. Cllr Pollock left meeting.

6. Progress Reports for information:

- **Memorial Hall Railings** Following meeting with Clerk, Cllrs and Member of Hall Committee Probation Service had agreed to do painting. Clerk has purchased materials and weather permitting work will be done this spring.
- **Election in May 2011** all Cllrs will need to fill in Election papers if they wish to stand for election on May 5th. Papers distributed at this meeting.

7. Reports on Meeting attended by Clerk or Councillors:

Clerks Gathering – HMCR (6TH December) – All Parish Councils to register with HMCR whether Clerk is due to pay tax or not. Clerk to action after 5th April.

Clerks Gathering - Elections (11th January 2011) – Brief details given.

MHDC Planning Meeting Great Witley (7th February) – Useful meeting to help District Council and Parish Councils to work together more efficiently.

8. Finances:

- **a.** Payments made Printer Ink = £23.10, WCALC Clerks Training = £7.25, Clerks Expenses = £381.10 (see item 19 below).
- **b.** Payments received A&L Nov/Dec 10 Jan/Feb 10 interest = 68p, WCC LM Sept/Oct = £396.00, Nov 10 = £192.00, Dec/Jan 11 = £264.00.
- **c. Bank Reconciliation** Nov/Dec 10- Jan/Feb 11 signed. (Investment and Current Account). Balance in Lloyds Acc = £4308.54, A&L = £2008.02.

9. Planning:

a. Plans circulated since last meeting -

11/00072/HOU – Caspian Lodge, Eastham – Extension to dwelling and conversion of garage into residential use. Plans circulated to 3 Cllrs. No comments made.

11/00035/CPU – Caspian Lodge, Eastham - Application for a lawful development certificate to verify that Mr & Mrs Barrett's occupation fulfils the requirement of the agricultural occupancy condition 1 of planning permission 3/73. Details circulated to Cllrs. Alpacas were recently put on land and belonged to owner. Clerk informed MHDC of this fact.

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b. Decisions received since last meeting –

Both plans as in (a) above **Approved**.

10/00989/LBC - Lower House Farm, Eastham - Approved.

c. Plans for consideration tonight –

11/00210/FUL – Khandala, Highwood, Eastham – Erection of replacement detached dwelling to provide family accommodation. All Cllrs agreed to support this application.

10. Road Report:

- a. Lengthsman drains working well, no problems.
- **b.** Any problems to report Eastham Bridge pothole.
- c. Update on outstanding queries -
- **Highwood Road** on list for this year, see County Cllrs report.
- New Road erosion of sides leaves still covering areas of concern.
- Water on road at Robins End Corner Clerk in contact with WCC.
- 11. Grit Bin Highwood After discussion it was agreed by all to purchase grit bin for Highwood. WCC had agreed to supply PC with grit for local storage, LM and local person had agreed to fill bin. Clerk to ensure WCC will not be providing more bins before purchasing as matter is being reviewed by WCC this summer. WCC have been asked if they will sell grit bin at cost to PC.
- 12. Correspondence for information:

Circulation with Clerk, list in minute's folder.

13. Clerks report on Urgent Decisions since last meeting -

Payment to LM Nov 10 = £225.60, Dec/Jan 11 = £316.80.

Plans - see item 9a above.

14. Councillor's reports and items for the next agenda.

Memorial Hall Railings, Election, Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting

- 15. Date of next meeting: 26th April 2011
- 16. All Cllrs agreed to exclude members of the Press and Public from the meeting due to the nature of the business to be transacted. Matters for Confidential discussion are Staffing and Contracts.
- **17.** Lengthsman it was agreed to offer Contract for 2011-12 to present LM. Clerk confirmed he is willing to carry on.
- **18.** Mowing Contract for Eastham Green Clerk had written to 3 contractors. Only W. Morgan has responded. All agreed to continue with this contractor at a cost of £880.00 exc. VAT. (Price held as per last year).
- **19.** Clerks Expenses details had been circulated to all. It was agreed to pay requested amount of £381.10 for 2010-11. Details in files.
- 20. Meeting closed 9.07pm.

Signed	Date 26 th April 2011
Chairman	_