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Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 7th September 2006

Present Alison Woolgar (Acting Chairman), Adrian Thomson, Roger Nickolds, Paul Richardson, Mary Leech (Clerk). Also Tim Yorath, Village Tree Officer
Apologies Beth Cooper, Cllr Jen Powell, County Cllr David Davis, Cllr Jenny Wicks, Cllr Jen Powell

*Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests registered.
Alison Woolgar declared her interest in any mention of Briony Cottage*

Item		Action
1653	Minutes of the meeting of 4th July 2006 There were no amendments. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman as correct.	
1654	Matters arising <u>Item 1645, 1643 (c) village war memorial.</u> Following a recent visit by a monumental mason Roger volunteered to follow up his recommendation of cleaning and sealing of the monument. It is possible that FROST will help finance this; ECPC will also apply for a Concurrent Functions Grant. <u>Item 1645, 1636,1630 Community Speedwatch.</u> Adrian reported that there are now five volunteers trained, and a further four available if needed. It is hoped that the Speedwatch will commence within a couple of weeks. <u>Item 1645, 1636,1627,1625 weed control in Tunmore fields.</u> Roger is continuing the control programme with some spot treatment of thistles in the field. <u>Item 1647(b). funding for arson prevention.</u> It was suggested that the £600 grant (received) could be used toward construction of secure bases for the new village benches, when donated and in position. John Patrick (local builder) has quoted for constructing bases of paving slabs and sleepers, at approximately £100-£120 each. It was agreed to ask him to go ahead with this, as and when requested. <u>Item 1652. Surrey Waste Plan.</u> Paul provided councillors with a summary of the contents of the Plan, for which he was thanked. No action is required at present. <u>Item 1649 Risk Assessment Plan.</u> Paul will undertake the inspection of the sound reduction fence.	Roger Roger Roger Paul
1655	Financial Report (a) <u>Current account: £530. Deposit account: £2078</u> Adrian noted that the income from tennis continues to increase over last year. (b) <u>Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).</u> Following from the remarks made by the Auditor that the position of RFO should not be held by a councillor, Mary was appointed RFO with Adrian to act as deputy. (Proposed by Alison	

was appointed RFO, with Adrian to act as deputy. (Proposed by Alison, seconded by Roger, with both other councillors in agreement.)

- (c) Concurrent Functions Grant. Roger will list the projects for which the council wishes to apply for grant aid during 2007.

Roger

1656

(a) Planning Reports

Approval has been given by GBC for applications numbered P/01203 Briony Cottage (with conditions) and P/01368 Home Farm Cottages.

New Applications since the last meeting are P/01484 & 5: Daphne Cottage (amended plans); P/01698: Doverhay; T/00131: Lucerne Cottage.

(b) Planning Enforcement

Hill Top Farm. Mary has been in telephone communication with the Enforcement Department of GBC. Case Officer Steve Doel was not available at that time and was asked to contact Mary on his return. Sean Baldock, in the absence of Steve Doel, told Mary that they are still awaiting a Retrospective Application for the lean-to which has been erected on the site. Mary will ask Cathy MacMullan to continue to monitor any developments and keep the Council informed.

Mary

Clandon Manor Farm. There is to be a Public Inquiry on 3rd October at 10am, at GBC offices in Millmead. Notification of his Inquiry was found posted on the village notice board (by the telephone box) – Mary has received no notification and so councillors have been unable to make any comment. Paul will try to attend as council representative. Meanwhile Mary will write to the Inspectorate, cc to Cllr Jenny Wicks, and Cygnet Developments (Mark Savage), telling them that ECPC would like the originally approved application to be implemented provided it can be done legally.

Mary

1657

Donation of benches and trees for the village

Roger will decide on a permanent site for the Molvidson bench on Tunmore Triangle.

Roger

To date, ECPC has received further offers of donation of benches from:

Cilla Young /Sally Graham

James and Gill Culmer

Paul Chedgy

The council was not fully satisfied that the style of the Molvidson bench is suitable for elsewhere in the village. Mary will obtain information about other styles/manufacturers including the locally based Norbury Products who have supplied the benches in Shepleas.

Mary

Sites decided for these benches are:

The back of the pavement, in front of the holly hedge, at the junction of the Ripley Road with The Street (Young/Graham preference)

Churchyard (Culmer preference) – with approval to be sought from the PCC

The Recreation Ground (to be confirmed with Paul Chedgy)

Offers of donations of trees have been received from:

Charles and Pamela Backhouse

Casey-Jane Rand

Felicity Jaffe

Adrian Thompson

Paul Chedgy (if already enough benches)

These trees, probably young oaks, will be planted in the hedgerow along the Ripley Road as per the plan prepared by Adrian after liaison with the Farm Manager Chris Chambers, who has also undertaken to cut back and tidy this hedge prior to planting.

Adrian

- 1658 **Travellers in Snelgate.**
Adrian and Mary have met on site with John Cheeseman, SCC Highways Officer to discuss the possibility/advisability of placing posts towards the end of Snelgate. John said that this was very unlikely to be possible chiefly because the widened end of Snelgate is used as the only available turning place for large vehicles. Mary will check with Anne Randall about this. **Mary**
- 1659 **Village Trees and Verges Project.** (Village Improvement Scheme.)
Adrian outlined the current position of this project.
Outstanding:
i. work required on the trees in the Recreation Ground. Mary was asked to complete the necessary forms from GBC for tree pruning/felling and to obtain quotes. **Mary**
ii. Trees in hedgerows belonging to Ryde Farm Estate. Adrian has been liaising with the Farm Manager (see also item 1657 above) **Adrian**
iii. The bund between the Old Epsom Road and A246. **Adrian**
iv. Back Lane hedges (Adrian to liaise with the Cooks of Old Manor Farm) **Adrian**
v. Drainage of footpath 74 (path from Back Lane to the golf course). No decision was taken about the feasibility of doing this at present.
vi. It was suggested that a small tree (eg rowan) could be planted in the triangle of Back Lane, opposite the pond. Mary was asked to check with SCC Highways if this is allowed. **Mary**
- Adrian and Mary made a list of suggestions for work in the village. This was noted by the council. Roger will ask Jim to help with tasks that are within his scope, but warned the council that we must not overload Jim with more work than he can cope with. **Roger**
Some of the items on this list will be referred to the SCC Community Gang when they next visit the village. **Mary**
- Tim reported to the council some trees that, in his opinion, need attention. He was thanked for his attention to the trees of the village.
- Roger has obtained some sacks of bulbs, which will be planted by Jim.
- 1660 **Landscape Enhancement Programme.**
A document circulated by The Surrey Hills was noted and file as possible interest to the village.
- 1661 **Any other business**
Due to family commitments and pressures of work, Alison Woolgar handed in her resignation from the council.
- Due to the late hour, the meeting was concluded at this point.
- Date of next meetings:**
Tuesday 24th October
Tuesday 5th December