

**Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting
 held in the Village Hall on Thursday 22nd February 2007**

Present Sibylla Tindale (Acting Chairman), Paul Richardson, Adrian Thomson, Roger Nickolds, Ray Corstin, Cllr Jenny Wicks, Cllr Andrew French, Mary Leech (Clerk). Also 3 members of the public
Apologies Cllr Jen Powell, , Cllr David Davis, PC Jon Perry

*Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests registered.
 None received*

Item		Action
1700	<p>Minutes of the meeting of 16th January 2007, ” The Minutes were signed by the Chairman as correct.</p>	
1701	<p>Matters arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Item 1689a, 1678a, 1569 community gangs.</u> Mary will inform Cllr David Davis that the Gangs have not visited the village. b. <u>Item 1689b, 1678b, 1668. The Recreation Ground.</u> The slide is being repaired. Future painting of the play equipment: Roger will choose suitable colours. c. <u>Item 1689c, 1678b. clearance of rubbish and ivy from the bus shelter.</u> The clearance around the shelter will be included on the next Community Gang work list. d. <u>Item 1689f, 1683. war memorial.</u> Ian Palmer will be steam-cleaning the memorial when the weather is suitable, probably in March. e. <u>Item 1689g, 1686 Wisley Airfield Group.</u> Because the threat of the development of a waste site has been removed, financial help is no longer required by the Wisley Airfield Group. f. <u>Item 1691 financial regulations.</u> Roger has prepared a draft paper with our amended regulations, which will be adopted at the next parish council meeting. g. <u>Item 1693. tree work in the Recreation Ground.</u> This is now complete, and the council has received an email letter of thanks from the Woolgars of Briony Cottage, whose garden had been overshadowed by the trees. The garden of the Ross’s (Prospect Cottage) has also benefited. h. <u>Item 1694 village hall representative.</u> Because there is at present no one person acting as representative, Mary will ask for the minutes of Village Hall Committee meetings to be sent to her, so that communication between the Committee and the parish council can remain open. i. <u>Item 1699a the phone box.</u> Sibylla has been told by BT that they will not replace the existing modern style box with a traditional style red box. She will find out from the Countryside Agency if they have any available that can be installed. Also, she will ask BT how much this box is used because the suggestion was made that the box be removed altogether, being an eyesore, permanently disfigured with graffiti. 	<p>ML</p> <p>RN</p> <p>ML (agenda)</p> <p>ML</p> <p>ST</p>

1702	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>a. <u>Current account</u>: £344.17. <u>Deposit account</u>: £2015.89</p> <p>b. The council approved the salary payment to the parish clerk of £1050 for the year 2006/07.</p> <p>c. Adrian told the council that NatWest Bank no longer is willing to accept telephone instructions for the transfer of money between our two accounts. Adrian will draft a letter for Mary to send to NatWest requesting continuance of this practice.</p>	AT/ML
1703	<p>(a) Planning Reports</p> <p>No new Applications since the last parish council meeting.</p> <p>(b) Planning Enforcement</p> <p>None at present.</p>	
1704	<p>Tunmore Fields</p> <p>Contractors will start installing approx. 180m of new perimeter fencing; in 4-5 weeks time. In addition to their estimate, the parish council will pay for the hire of a skip for the removal of old fencing, etc, that cannot be burnt on site.</p> <p>The current rental of the field by Matt Pitt expires at the end of March*. Notices asking for expression of interest before 16th March in rental of the fields were posted on the notice board and by email. (*Matt has asked for a further 6 months rental.) To date, there have been no other expressions of interest in rental for grazing. However, the parish council appreciated the amount of interest shown by village residents in the possibility of using the fields for other community based activities.</p> <p>The parish council will seek further advice about the options that are open to it and would be pleased to hear further views from villagers.</p>	ML
1705	<p>Safety Posts in the village.</p> <p>Mary has been in email communication with the Surrey Hills AONB Officer, Rob Fairbanks asking if they can help with the replacement of posts:</p> <p>a. Along Back Lane, behind the shed belonging to Jim Bacon (3 posts)</p> <p>b. Along the Street, behind Hollyhocks and Warren Cottage (7 posts)</p> <p>c. Beside the pond in Back Lane (1 post)</p> <p>He has told her that he is keen in principle, and hopes that the work can proceed soon. Mary will remain in communication with him.</p>	ML
1706	<p>Removal of redundant roads sign at entrance to School Lane.</p> <p>Adrian has been asked if either or both of these identical signs (restricting the entry of vehicles) can be removed. (the sign indicating it is a dead-end to be retained). Mary will find out the situation from SCC Highways.</p> <p>It was felt that removal of any unnecessary signage in the village is beneficial.</p>	ML
1707	<p>Conservation Area Review</p> <p>Adrian brought the attention of the meeting to the pre-publication adopted text of the Review, and recommended its reading. He noted that several of the comments from both the parish council and Peter Smart had been incorporated. Adrian will seek to obtain documentation about Article 4(2) which limits works that can be undertaken without planning permission within a Conservation Area, with a view to incorporating it in the 'Village Newcomers Pack'.</p>	AT

1708

Footpath 74

Mary has received no response to her two emails to the SCC Footpath Officer. Jim Bacon has started work on clearing the hedge and re-digging a ditch, at the entrance to the path, by Cherry Cottage. The Golf Club is anxious to improve drainage behind the 7th tee (which abuts on to the footpath further along) and this will be co-ordinated with Jim's work. The parish council still has £500 in hand for this work, from an earlier Concurrent Functions Grant.

1709

Benches for the village

The bench donated by the Chedgy family has now been installed at the junction of The Street and Ripley Road. Mary will write a letter of thanks to the Chedgys. We still await information from the DAC (church authorities) regarding any need of their permission for a bench in the churchyard.

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1710

Any other business

- a. Send Prison. Adrian informed the meeting that there has been a planning application (07/P/00152) from Send Prison for extension and upgrading to high-security. Mary will contact Send/Ripley Parish Council and, if necessary, GBC Planning Department, because East Clandon has not been notified of this.
- b. Community Speed Watch. Adrian reported that the village now has 3 approved sites, and 9 volunteers. The co-ordinator (Eric Butler, of Antlers Cottage) would like more volunteers and a message to this effect will be sent via the village email system. The possibility of purchasing our own 'speed gun' was discussed, but at approximately £1000 it was felt that we should continue sharing with either the Horsleys or Send.
- c. Warren Cottage. A comment has been received by the council about the continuing poor state of maintenance of the very visible garden at Warren Cottage. It was pointed out that the restoration and renovation work is taking longer than at first envisaged by the owners. It is hoped that remedial work on the garden will start as soon as possible.
- d. New Road/A246. Chris Ross brought to the attention of the meeting the continuing danger of the exit from New Road on to the A246. He asked if it is possible to have a white line painted across the road. He was asked to log this complaint on to the SCC Highways department website.
- e. St Thomas alleyway. Liz Sherras-Clark asked for some clearance of the sides of the alleyway-footpath which links the end of St Thomas' Drive with the Old Epsom Road. Mary will add this to the next Community Gangs list.

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Date of future meetings:

Tuesday 3 April (7:15pm: Parish Plan Consultation meeting

Tuesday 15 May (AGM also)

Thursday 21 June

Thursday 26 July

Tuesday 11 September

Thursday 18 October

Tuesday 27 November

Mary Leech, Parish Clerk 1st March 2007