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Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 27th October 2011

Present Sibylla Tindale (chairman), Paul Richardson, Keith Grange, Al Mundy, Ray Corstin

In Attendance Cllr Keith Taylor, Mary Leech (parish clerk)

Apologies Cllr Jenny Wicks

Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests registered: Hilltop Farm: Sibylla Tindale (neighbour)

Action Item Minutes of the meeting of Thursday 29th September 2011 2039 Item 2036 should read ".... Sibylla, Peter Smart," The corrected Minutes were signed by the Chairman Matters arising, not dealt with below as separate agenda items a. Item 2026e. Title Deeds. These are being returned to Sibylla, and in future STto be kept in the care of the current Chairman. Item 2029. Risk Assessment Returns. The ½ yearly returns are now due. Mary asked councillors to provide her with the Returns, for assessment, All cllrs co-ordination and filing. Ray will clarify the situation over who is RC responsible for the tennis court Assessments, and discuss this with the Ross's.

c. <u>Item 2034</u>. <u>Junction of New Road and A246</u>. Nothing further to report. To be followed up by Al.

d. <u>Item 2038e. Picture frames</u>. Ray will locate matching frames for our Village Awards certificates.

2041 Financial report

Keith circulated copies of the ECPC finances as at end of September 2011, and outlined details.

Current account: £12,576.34 Deposit account: £615.28

- a. Ray said that the large mower is likely to need replacing next year. He estimates that the cost of a mower substantial enough to last for a ten year period would be £1500-£2000.
- Playground. The roundabout matting needs replacing. Estimated cost £350.
- c. Tennis Court quotes for tree topping ongoing.
- d. Surrey Hills Society annual subs of £15 approved.

Planning Matters

a. Application for Removal of tree at Tithe Barns.

b. Hilltop Farm Appeal. Sibylla has written to GBC with the ECPC objections, and intends to add an addendum to this letter as a result of further information obtained.

Sibylla has attended another Appeal Inquiry in order to gain

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27/10/11 Page 1 information about procedures. She stressed the need for good village support at the Hearing, to be held on 20^{th} December (date not yet confirmed).

2043 Hilltop Farm

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- a. Ragwort control. Ongoing
- b. <u>Notification of Traveller Activity</u>. The emergency telephone number is still available. GBC has requested that this number is not for general circulation.
- Plans by GBC to find gipsy sites within the Borough. Cllr Keith discussed with the Council some of the details of the Minutes of the GBC Executive of 20th October, with particular reference to sites in Effingham. (This Report is on the GBC website.)

Broadband for Surrey

Paul and Sibylla gave a Report of the meeting which they attended in Haslemere. The concerns of rural communities were particularly noted. Keith will try to find out what role SCAPT (Surrey County Association of Parish & Town Councils to which ECPC does not belong) plays. Keith was particularly asked to try to ascertain how a very small community such as East Clandon, can make sure it will be taken into account. Sibylla and Paul said that this meeting had expressed hope that Broadband would be fully operative by 2014.

Village of the Year Award.

- **a.** Uses of the prize monies. (£350). It was decided to put this toward the cost of the planned village party for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations.
- **b.** Hatchlands request to promote the village. It was agreed that we would like to have this publicity, provided that ECPC can see it in advance. Mary will liaise with Hatchlands. She was also asked to include FROST chairman (Skip McMullan) in email correspondence with Hatchlands.
- Wildflower meadow on The Common. Sibylla provided the councillors with a budget. The village residents will be kept informed of progress by village googlemail.
- Tunmore Fields hedge planting. The need for better fencing/hedging between two of the fields was discussed, with attention given to the suggestions received by Peter Smart that a mixed hedge should be planted between a double post and rail fence, in order to provide enhanced bio-diversity. Concerns were raised about the overall costs. Ray will discuss the matter with Mike Cook and report back at the next meeting.
- **Back Lane Pond.** Ray told the meeting that the maintenance contractor will be working on the pond in November.
- Bus shelter repair. Ongoing. Paul will obtain costings for minor repairs. Keith told the meeting that the local bus services have recently been reviewed, and those along the A246 (478 and 479) are being maintained.
- Salt bins. Instructions for the purchase and placing of salt bins have been received from GBC. It was decided to ask the advice of Skip McMullan, our snow-warden, bearing in mind that no bin can be placed on land owned by Highways, Department eg verges, and must therefore be placed on private land adjacent to roadsides.

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Plans for Queen's Jubilee Celebrations. Sibylla discussed with the council plans for the celebration in light of the results of the village questionnaire STwhich indicated that the majority of villagers would like to have a street party. Sibylla will discuss this with the Pub before making final decisions about date, time and place. She hopes to be able to finalise these decisions soon. Wisley Airfield. The parish council was reminded that planning has already been 2053 given for a composter on this site; there are now new plans requesting an alternative STingress/egress point. Sibylla will ask Ockham P.C. to appraise us further of the situation. GBC Village Questionnaire. Mary has received a request from GBC to 2054 ML provide a brief description of the village. It was suggested that this be provided from our website.

Dates for future meetings. Mary provided the council with suggested dates for meetings in 2012. The availability of the hall will be confirmed with Bug Robertson.

2056 Any other business

- a. <u>Remembrance Sunday wreath laying</u>. Sibylla and Ray will represent the parish council.
- b. SCC Team 2012 cycle route. Mary will liaise with them and suggest that they meet with us, for a maximum of ½ hour, before the next council meeting (24th November) and that maximum publicity is given via the village googlemail.

In the absence of further business the meeting closed at 10 pm.

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 24th November 2011 at 7:45pm*

*Time dependent on meeting with Team 2012, requested for 7:15pm

Mary Leech, Parish Clerk 9th November 2011

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