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Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 1st April 2015 at 7.45pm

Present Sibylla Tindale (Chair), Ian Peacock, Al Mundy, Clare Goodall, Ray Corstin

Cllr Bill Barker, Cllr Jen Powell, 5 members of the public

In Attendance Mary Leech (parish clerk)

Item Action

15/035 Apologies for absence

Cllr Jenny Wicks

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15/036 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

(Item 040: Planning) Sibylla Tindale disclosed her interest in the GBC Planning Application 15/P/00427.

15/037 Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 4th March 2015

The Minutes were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Matters arising, not dealt with below as separate agenda items

- a. Item 15/026a. War memorial. Ongoing.
- b. <u>Item 15/026b.</u> The tennis court. Chris Ross has produced a publicity poster to be displayed on the village notice board; also leaflets to be distributed with the parish magazine as well as on the village email. Chris will not be charging for this publicity, and parish councillors gave their very grateful thanks to Chris.
- c. <u>Item 15/026c</u>. <u>Back Lane Pond annual maintenance</u>. Our pond contractor (David Smithers) was helped by Jim Bacon who has only just submitted his invoice for the clearance work.
- d. <u>Item 15/026d</u>. <u>Spring Clean of village</u>. A large number of villagers assisted in this clean-up operation which was complete by midday, with refreshment provided in the village hall.
- e. <u>Item 15/028. 6-monthly Risk Assessments</u> are now due and councillors were asked to complete their reviews as soon as convenient.
- f. <u>Item 15/034b</u>. <u>Ride London 2015</u>. Paul Richardson has confirmed that the route for this year's ride will be the same as for last year.
- g. <u>Item 15/034c</u>. <u>Memorial to Captain Grenfell</u>. Clare, on behalf of ECPC has written a letter to GBC to ask if the plaque can be moved.

Financial Matters

15/040 Report for the month.

Copies of the Report until the end of February were distributed. (Bank Statement for March not yet received).

The draft (unaudited) accounts for the financial year just ending will be presented at the next meeting (28th April: immediately preceding the AGM).

All cllrs

15/041 Planning Matters

One new application: 15/P/00427. None of the councillors had any issue with this application (put in by Sibylla Tindale) and so in the absence of any discussion, Sibylla did not leave the meeting.

<u>The proposed development of Wisley Airfield</u>. Clare was thanked for her clear and detailed letter to GBC Planners, written on behalf of ECPC and incorporating comments from villagers.

15/042 Arrangements for annual parish meeting (Tuesday 28th April)

Lord Onslow has agreed to speak after the business part of the meeting, with his topic entitled, "Four Paintings: Four Personalities".

The structure of this meeting will be as follows:

7:30 pm Annual Parish Meeting.

8 pm Lord Onslow

8:30 pm (Approx) Light refreshments

ST/all cllrs

15/043 **Proposed village party**

It had been suggested that the village should organise a party in September to commemorate the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. However, because nationally this will not be observed with festivities, it was decided to postpone such a party to coincide with national celebrations of her 90th birthday in April 2016. It was suggested instead that we could have a bonfire and firework party in November. This will be discussed at a meeting in the summer.

All cllrs

15/044 Bins in the village: litter and dog poo

Mary said that she has received requests from dog walkers for more poo-bins in the village. The following positions were suggested:

i. In Back Lane, adjacent to the public footpath stile which leads into Clandon Manor Farm fields.

ii. At the entrance from The Old Epsom Road to the footway leading to St Thomas' Drive.

There has also been a request for a general litter bin to be situated at the far end of Snelgate, where trade vehicles often stop so that their drivers can eat their sandwiches, etc and frequently leave their litter behind. Sibylla will find out more about this from local residents before a decision is made.

Mary will follow up these suggestions with the relevant GBC department which has to approve positions and organise regular emptying of contents..

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Tunmore Fields lease renewal.

The two-year lease for these fields is due for renewal this year. Ray will discuss with the current lease-holder (Mike Cook) if he wants to renew this for a further 2 years.

15/046 **Rights of Way.**

i. Sawpit Lane access to Hatchlands

(In recent months, this access has been totally blocked by a very large tree trunk, positioned deliberately across the gateway from Sawpit Lane and within the boundaries of Sawpit Lane, which is a SCC Bridleway. It has since been established that this trackway is on Hatchlands' land and not therefore part of the Forte estate whose gamekeeper had been responsible for the blockage. Sibylla recently had an informal meeting with the newly appointed General Manager at

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Hatchlands, Alex Bush, to discuss this matter.)

Because the village is eager to reach an accommodation with the National Trust about having this access re-opened to enable village walkers' access, Alex was in attendance at this evening's council meeting. She explained Hatchlands position with regard to the reopening and maintenance of this path and then answered questions about the path and access. Afterwards, Alex was warmly thanked for joining us. The matter will be discussed further.

All cllrs

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15/047 Garden Contractor

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Ray will report the situation at the April meeting.

A246 safety at New Road Junction

Sightlines have been further improved now that the hedge bordering the junction has been cut back a second time.

Sibylla has met on site with an Engineer to SCC Highways (Bahran Assad), to discuss the available options for this junction. Because this is a major safety issue, Bahran will be looking into his highways budget for the forthcoming year to ascertain how much SCC can do to improve the junction. He will be soon reporting back to Sibylla.

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15/049 **Any other business**

a. Ray told the meeting that the Protect Clandon Group of the Clandon society has invited all Borough Council Candidates to an open meeting on 16th April to discuss local issues on planning and green belt. Sibylla will be informing all East Clandon villagers via email.

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b. MEP Keith Taylor will be at the YMCA in Guildford on 10th April at 7pm to discuss Green Belt issues.

In the absence of further business, the meeting closed at 8:55pm

The next meeting of East Clandon Parish Council will be on Wednesday 28th April.

At this meeting the Draft Accounts (unaudited) for the preceding year will be presented for approval prior to being presented at the AGM (which follows immediately afterwards, at 8pm).

Mary Leech, Clerk to East Clandon Parish Council, 8th April 2015