

## Minutes of Meeting held on 14/05/07

### **Present**

- 1 Mr. A. Bridgman Former Vice Chairman
- 2 Cllr. D. Buckland
- 3 Cllr. M. Chennell
- 4 Cllr. E. Evans
- 5 Cllr. R. Flack
- 6 Cllr. P. Joyce
- 7 Cllr. J. Onslow
- 8 Cllr. D. Rudd
- 9 Clerk Mrs. J. Cheesman
- 10 Cllr. M. Cartwright of HCC
- 11 19 Members of the Public

Mr. A. Bridgman opened the meeting.

### **08.025 Apologies for Absence**

Mr Bridgman apologised for the absence of the Former Chairman (Mr. D. Jerrard).

### **08.023 Election of Council Chairman**

Cllr. Rudd proposed Cllr. Joyce who was seconded by Cllr. Flack. Cllr. Joyce was elected Chairman by an overwhelming majority.

### **08.024 Election of Vice Chairman**

Cllr. Onslow proposed Cllr. Buckland who was seconded by the Chairman. Cllr. Buckland was elected Vice Chairman by an overwhelming majority.

Mr. Bridgman then took his seat in the hall.

### **08.025 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman addressed the meeting and started by thanking all former councillors for all their efforts in the past. He continued by saying that the new Council intended to be 'fully inclusive' and would welcome input from the public, regardless of past problems. He stated the Councillors intended to look forward and not dwell on the past. He hoped that all future debates would be constructive.

### **08.026 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations on Interest were made at this stage.

**08.027 Election of councillors to the Planning Committee.**

Cllr. Chennell was proposed by Cllr. Evans and seconded by Cllr. Buckland. Cllr. Flack was proposed by The Chairman and seconded by Cllr. Rudd. Both Cllr. Chennell and Flack were elected to the Planning Committee.

The Council decided that it did not need to have the Planning Committee to meet regularly between Council Meetings. It would, if necessary, call additional full Council Meetings when the need arose. The Clerk said this was not recommended by HAPTC and read out an email which had been received in October 2003 and advised that Greatham Parish Council should have a full Planning Committee. The Council decided that it would need to reconsider the matter in the near future.

**08.028 Election of Councillors to Playground Committee**

Cllr. Evans was elected to the Playground Committee.

**08.029 Election of Councillors to the Budget Review committee**

The election of Councillors to this committee was deferred until the 4<sup>th</sup> June.

**08.030 Election of Councillors to The Old Church Committee**

Cllr. Onslow volunteered to serve on the Old Church Committee and was seconded by Cllr. Flack. She was elected unanimously by the Council.

**08.031 Election of Councillors to be representatives to local organisations.**

**1** HAPTC The Chairman was proposed by Cllr. Onslow and was elected unopposed.

**2** Village Hall Trustees Cllr. Flack was proposed by Cllr. Onslow and seconded by Cllr. Buckland. Cllr. Flack was elected unopposed.

**3** Coryton Trust Cllr. Onslow was proposed by The Chairman and seconded by Cllr. Evans. Cllr. Rudd was proposed by Cllr. Evans and seconded by Cllr. Buckland. Both Councillors Onslow and Rudd were elected.

**4** Public Transport and Highways Cllr. Chennell was proposed by Cllr. Evans and seconded by Cllr. Rudd. Cllr. Chennell was elected unopposed.

**5** Footpath and Tree Warden A member of the public (Mrs. Dale-Harris) was proposed by Cllr. Onslow and seconded by Cllr. Evans. Mrs Dale-Harris, having confirmed she was willing to undertake the task, was elected unopposed.

**6** Blackmoor Recycling Liaison Panel Cllr. Onslow volunteered to serve and was seconded by The Chairman. Cllr. Onslow was elected unopposed.

**08.032 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2007.**

The Chairman said he was reluctant to sign these minutes as correct because of issues to do with style. It was agreed that the minutes would be discussed by The Chairman and Clerk before being brought back to the Council for approval.

### **08.033 Matters Arising from the Parish Assembly**

The matter arising concerned a proposed grant to GVEC.

Cllr. Buckland declared a personal interest in this matter as she is a member of GVEC. The Clerk also declared an interest in this matter.

There was a debate as to whether this matter could be discussed or not as it was a matter arising from the Parish Assembly. It was agreed that the matter should be dealt with at this meeting. Cllr. Onslow proposed an immediate donation of £500.00 and further discussions with GVEC, which was seconded by Cllr. Chennell. The Council voted on this proposal which was agreed.

### **08.034 Finance**

It was agreed to defer this item until the next meeting when all the necessary documents would be available. It was agreed to pay items 1-4.

Cllr. Onslow proposed and Cllr. Flack seconded that the Clerk's Salary and payment to Customs and Revenue be approved. This proposal was agreed.

### **08.035 Planning**

It was agreed that Cllrs Flack and Chennell should visit Ham Barn Farm and study the planning application to enable them to report to the next Council Meeting. The Clerk said this would leave EHDC little time to consider the Council's views as their deadline for replying was 5<sup>th</sup> June 2007.

### **08.036 Report by County Councillor**

Cllr. Cartwright congratulated the Councillors and said that he looked forward to working with the Parish Council.

He said that works would be starting along Church Lane shortly. Following a query from Councillor Onslow Cllr. Cartwright agreed to check the notification arrangements for such work. Cllr. Chennell asked if HCC would investigate the pinch point nearest to the Greatham Inn (on the left hand side of the road) as some motorists had started driving on the wide grass verge rather than wait for other traffic to clear. Cllr. Cartwright said he would ask Highways to investigate.

### **08.037 Report by District Councillor.**

Cllr. Onslow, as Cllr. for EHDC, said she had little to report other than the successful start of the kerbside glass collection. She did suggest it might be advantageous to consider looking at the Village Design Plan with a view to updating it.

### **08.038 Correspondence**

- 1 The Clerk said the dates and venues for Core Training which HAPTC were organising for new Councillors would be sent to all Councillors as soon as possible.
- 2 Cllr. Onslow suggested inviting a member of EHDC Housing Dept to talk to the Council about Affordable Housing. This suggestion was accepted.

**08.039      Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> June 2007 at 07:30.

Closed at 21.00

Signed \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Dated \_ \_ \_ \_ \_