

**East Donyland Parish Council**  
Full Parish Council Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
Zoom starting 7.00pm.

**MINUTES**

Present; Cllrs George, Helliwell, Appleyard, Clay, Crouchman, Clay, Myers & Case & the Clerk E Nelson-Hayes

The Chairman thanked everyone for logging on to Zoom, hopes everyone is keeping safe.

**009/20 To receive and accept apologies and to note absences:** Cllr Guy absent noted.

**010/20 To minute pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests of members relating to items on the agenda:** None

**011/20 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 09 April 2019:** PG proposed the minutes to be correct; RH 2<sup>nd</sup> – all agreed.

**012/20 Have your say! The Chairman will close the meeting for a max.15 minutes to ask members of the public to speak (max. 3 minutes each) on any matters relevant to parish business:** None in attendance

**013/20 To receive and note reports from:**

- i) **County Councillor Kevin Bentley;** All care homes in Essex are fully stocked with PPE, testing has been carried out in every care home that has a confirmed case of COVID-19. Highways has been quiet, the maintenance programme has continued through the lockdown, albeit slower. The summer maintenance programme should go ahead as planned. Ipswich Rd works has resumed now social distancing has been worked out. A lot of recycling centres have reopened, small ones remained closed. Expected traffic at the shrub end centre especially as bank holiday approaches, there will be signage and a police presence to guide people where they can wait. Strategy's to increase cycling and walking are under way, Chelmsford & Colchester are 2 of the first in the County, as everyone has noticed the cleaner air. Kevin Bentley has been using the train to get to County Hall rather than a car. Park & Ride is being reviewed and there are plans for Park & Pedal initiative at existing park & ride sites installing rent a bikes, there has been the suggestion of a park & ride area this side of Colchester when Middlewick is developed. 20mph limit in the village is moving along.
- ii) **Borough Councillor Lee Scordis;** Apologies received on behalf of Mike Lilley & Adam Fox. Currently CBC has a deficit of £8mil, it was £10mil, but received £2mil from Government. Car parks in Colchester are not doing well & CBC have had to furlough 300 members of staff, or they have been redeployed. There has been a 300% increase in food bank usage and a marked increase in claims for universal credit. There has been issues with the free school meal voucher system, it is starting to sort itself out though. A few fines have been issued to people flouting the social distancing rules and using areas that are out of bounds. Small businesses within the town centre have handed their keys back to CBC as they are unable to trade at the moment. Garden collections may resume soon, and Lee will keep us informed. There is museum info online for children to continue to learn. Buses; a query – there won't be any change to the new services till at least June, there is a reduced service because there isn't the people to use the buses. Playparks will remain closed for the foreseeable future.
- iii) **The Clerk:** Noted

**014/20 To agree the payments list already checked by Cllrs Appleyard & Clay:** PG proposed & NC 2<sup>nd</sup> the payments to be correct – all agreed.

**15/20 To approve the Annual Governance Statement for the year ending 31.03.20:** PG proposed & RH 2<sup>nd</sup> the Annual Governance Statement for the year ending 31.03.20 to be correct – all agreed.

**16/20 To approve the Accounting Statements for the year ending 31.03.20;** RH proposed & DC 2<sup>nd</sup> the Accounting Statements for the year ending 31.03.20 to be correct – all agreed.

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**017/20 To consider the new Social Media policy;** Considering the new facebook page has been set up a policy is needed. A big thank you to Anna for all her hard work setting up the page. Pictures of the Foundation award to be added; PG proposed & DM 2<sup>nd</sup> the adoption of the Social Media policy – all agreed – *Action the Clerk*

**18/20 To deal with matters arising from the previous Council minutes not dealt with elsewhere in this agenda (refer attached Action List):** Noted, a lot on hold, the resident request for a bench along the path from the kissing gate to the Hythe to be added. Nudge Fabian about the burial ground gate & the quay investigation, research contractors return to work – *Action the Clerk*

**19/20 To discuss planning applications and note decision papers as listed (refer attached):** Planning application; 49 Albion Street; Single storey rear extension – noted, PG proposed & DM 2<sup>nd</sup> no comment – all agreed.

The Chair finished the meeting informing the Council of his resignation, would be in touch privately and has enjoyed himself on the Council and been proud of the hard work and dedication of the council over the years.

The Council conveyed their thanks to Phil for his dedicated service over the past 8 years.

**The meeting closed at 7.59pm.**

Agreed as a true record.

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Chairman