

**East Donyland Parish Council**  
Full Parish Council Meeting – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2020  
Zoom starting 7.00pm.

**MINUTES**

Present; Cllrs Helliwell, Appleyard, Clay, Crouchman, Myers, Clerk E Nelson-Hayes & 5 members of the public.

The vice chair thanked everyone for logging on to Zoom, hopes everyone is keeping safe. Thank you for your patience with the glitches at the start of the meeting.

**020/20 To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year and for the newly appointed Chairman to sign the declaration of acceptance of office:** DM proposed, NC 2<sup>nd</sup> Richard Helliwell to be chair, who accepted-declaring it an honour to serve again. All agreed. To sign the declaration of acceptance of office Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. – *Action the Clerk & RH*

**021/20 To elect a Vice Chairman for the ensuing year and for the newly appointed Vice Chairman to sign the declaration of acceptance of office:** RH proposed & DC 2<sup>nd</sup>, Anna Appleyard to be vice chair, who is willing to accept, all agreed. To sign the declaration of acceptance of office Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. – *Action the Clerk & AA*

**022/20 To receive and accept apologies and to note absences:** PC & TG, TG who has been having difficulties attending virtual meetings.

**023/20 To minute pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests of members relating to items on the agenda:** AA pi – 30/20, DC np – 30/20 & DC pi - 31/20

**024/20 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2020:** Amend a typo, RH proposed the minutes to be correct; NC 2<sup>nd</sup> – all agreed.

**025/20 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:** Keith Philips from RHT, there is a seafood picnic pencilled in for the end of July, will have to see how the COVID-19 restrictions continue.  
The pump house, Hills will be using the building as a site office and then as a sales office. RHT are still interested but are restricted by funding issues, with opportunities dwindling & cannot commit to anything at the moment. There isn't a timeline for this project.

**026/20 To receive and note reports from:**

- i) **County Councillor Kevin Bentley;** Congratulations to the new Chair Richard. Red lines are a possibility along the High Street as a replacement to the yellow lines, to alleviate the danger of not being able to get emergency vehicles up Albion Street as mentioned at previous parish council meetings. Cllr Bentley will happily push forward with red lines if that is something that would benefit the village, the council thought it a good and positive step forward. There could be a quick turnaround on this.

Libraries will open in July, once social distancing is worked out, there will be difficulties opening the smaller library due to space or lack there of.

There is a locality budget of £10,000 available to Cllr Bentley to allocate as he sees fit. If there is a project that any village organisation, can be led by the parish council but that isn't essential, match funding would be looked at. that are in need to get in touch with him.

20mph speed limit, is still moving forward and is with the legal team at the present time. We were made aware that it takes time to do this, so patience is key.

The shops open Monday in Colchester.

Enhancements will be made to various streets in Colchester to aid cycling & walking, with social distancing. There has been a 30% drop in traffic in and around the town

- ii) **Borough Councillor Lee Scordis;** Apologies received on behalf of Mike Lilley & Adam Fox. But congratulations to Richard and Anna in their new roles.

The mobile will be starting up again as well at the library buildings opening. To check the ECC Library website for exact times and locations.

The fly tipping into bins in the village has been investigated by CBC, they've tracked down the perpetrators, and they have spoken to them and educated them with the recycling etc. There is a

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fine line because rubbish is being put in the bin which is what they are designed for. Could EDPC put temporary signs on bins asking people to recycling or take home their rubbish if the bins are full especially on the quays at busy times. – *ACTION the Clerk*

Projects needed for Section 106 money, for future builds-looking at the business park, Parks & recreation, possibility of riverside projects as well.

Antisocial behaviour should be reported to the Police it is essential to add detail, so times, locations need to be included.

Locality budget; Look at what is needed, it will go to the area's most in need.

19<sup>th</sup> June, the rubbish collection will start to go back to normal.

The Black Lives Matter event in Castle park, was a good, positive occasion.

iii) **The Clerk:** Noted

**027/20 To agree the payments list already checked by Cllrs Appleyard & Clay:** RH proposed & NC 2<sup>nd</sup> the payments to be correct – all agreed.

**028/20 To update the Council about the casual vacancies including advertising & closure dates.** The casual vacancy adverts are out on the website and the Friday catch up email. The deadline is the 30<sup>th</sup> June. Volunteers for informal chats, Richard, Doug & Dave. – *Action the Clerk, RH, DC & DM*

**029/20 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 new burial gate might be lighter. The turning circle – sunflowers have been planted.

The archaeological study is starting to move forward again after the hiatus

The new bins have been ordered and are being delivered to CBC for installation.

The boundary issue is finally moving again with all the information now with the solicitors after recent communications with an EDCA representative.

The green contractor is starting work in the next week to tidy up areas in Rowhedge.

**030/20 To discuss planning applications and note decision papers as listed (refer attached):** Planning application; St Lawrence Primary School, Essex County Council Consultation for: The provision of a permanent single storey modular classbase to accommodate an increase of 30 pupils at the school. The provision of a multi-use play area. RH proposed & AA 2<sup>nd</sup> the Council's full support with this project, all agreed – *Action the Clerk*

*The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and their patience for the technical hitches at the start of the zoom call.*

**Part 2 - Closed to the press and public due to the commercial sensitivity of the item under discussion**

**31/20 To discuss a possible extension to the Green Maintenance Contract due to COVID-19 as advised by NALC legal department.** DM left the zoom call and didn't return. DC proposed & AA 2<sup>nd</sup> to extend the contract by a year to end 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021, all agreed – *Action the Clerk*

**The meeting closed at 7.51pm.**

Agreed as a true record.

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

Chairman