

GRIMSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at East Grimstead Reading Room on Monday, 2nd September 2019.

Present: Councillors Sowerby, Chair presiding, Doran, Wilkinson, Shrapnell and Christie together with Wiltshire Councillor R Britton plus four members of the public. Apologies were received from Cllr. Daffern.

	Ten Minutes Speaking Nothing to report	
95.19	Wiltshire Council Report. The outcome of the Boundary Review is expected shortly. With regard to the Nightwood Appeal, neighbours were distressed at not being able to contribute to the appeal because of the local position with Mr Chambers. Therefore it needs as many people as possible to write with their views. The key issue is how can a Planning Inspector allow the dumping of asbestos regardless of the quantity involved.	
96.19	Minutes. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 5 th September, 2019, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed.	
97.19	Playing Field. The seat has been installed for Rosemary Clark in recognition of her 34 years' service to the Parish Council. The plaque is awaited. The dedication of the seat will be on the 15 th September which will be a joint village event. The petanque terrain will also be in use on that day. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Shrapnell for installing the bench. The event will be circulated via the email lists, Grim Soup and the forthcoming Coffee Morning in West Grimstead. A quote of £9500 has been received from Boswell Brothers for the proposed cycle path. More quotes are needed. A notice/questionnaire regarding this will be put in the next editions of the Parish Magazines.	
98.19	Highways <i>Barriers along Butterfurlong Road</i> – Still awaited. <i>Windwhistle Lane</i> – No news. The clerk will contact Highways England again <i>Drain between Hollyville and Horsepond</i> This matter will be kept under review. There has been no sign of flooding in the area by Horsepond. <i>Fly tipping</i> An incident had occurred in West Grimstead but the person concerned was informed and the rubbish removed.	Clerk
99.19	Footpaths. <i>Circular Path</i> There are still problems with the stiles on Charles Wilkinson's land. The clerk to write to him. One of the stiles by the railway crossing has had another step put in by Network Rail but the stile to the opposite side still needs to be sorted. The kissing gate at Hollands Well appears to have dropped and is now difficult to open. The clerk to arrange to have this repaired	Clerk Clerk
100.19	Going Green The Nature Group will begin work on the Nectar Bars on Bugmore Green on the 21st September, weather permitting. The Parish Council is supporting this venture and it was agreed that approximately £100 could be spent on signs, posts, yellow rattle seeds and plug plants. A West Grimstead working party is being formed for a similar venture on Crockford Green.	
101.19	Little Pond Hazel Hill Wood and the Friends of Bentley Wood have offered	RW

	to help the Nature Group to clear the overgrown little pond opposite the Reading Room by providing cutting equipment and volunteers for a conservation day on Sunday 13th October, weather permitting. There are many willows in the pond that will need to be removed plus an abundance of reed mace and an encroachment of bramble. There is also a large birch tree at the back which will need to be removed by a chainsaw - Cllr Wilkinson to establish if the birch is IN the pond or on the land behind. Cllr Wilkinson also to consider the options of what to do with the large amount of vegetation that will be removed.															
102.19	Recycling Handbook Cllr Wilkinson is interested to compile a directory of all the local recycling points in the area for waste that cannot be put in the Council recycling bin eg toothbrushes, pet food packaging, Pringle tubes. This information can be shared with other Parish Councils and the Area Board which is discussing eco village ideas at its next meeting. It may be possible for the Parish Council to provide TerraCycle boxes to collect all sorts of waste - Cllr Wilkinson will look into this.	RW														
103.19	Stance on Sustainability Cllr Sowerby has found people to come and talk about what the Parish Council can do regarding Sustainability.	GS														
104.19	Vacancy Three people have applied for the post. It was agreed to co-opt and interviews will be held on the evening of the 16 th September commencing at 7.30 p.m. at Cllr Daffern's house. The clerk to write to the candidates.	Clerk														
105.19	Valley View Councillors were very disappointed with the decision by the Planning Inspector to allow this application but the decision will not be overturned. Cllr Sowerby will get feedback on the appeal website and will write to Michael Wilmot of Wiltshire Council asking what steps are in hand for the provision of more gypsy sites in Wiltshire.	GS														
106.19	Planning 19/07378 – <i>Proposed extension, roof conversion, alterations and new single garage at Three Jays, Crockford Road, West Grimstead.</i> After discussion, it was agreed to object to this application on the grounds that the proposed extension is higher and not in keeping with the adjacent properties 19/07515 – <i>Single storey front and side extension to 23 Greenfields, West Grimstead.</i> There were no objections.	Clerk														
107.19	Accounts for Payment The following accounts were passed for payment <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">Hurdcott Landscapes (grass cutting)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">71.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs E Bayford salary and expenses</td> <td style="text-align: right;">813.17</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mr T Shrapnell (materials for installation of seat)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">16.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>East Grimstead Reading Room (hall hire)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs G Sowerby (seat in respect of Mrs R Clark)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">199.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Boswell Bros. (grit sand for petanque)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>116.40</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Hurdcott Landscapes (grass cutting)	71.64	Mrs E Bayford salary and expenses	813.17	Mr T Shrapnell (materials for installation of seat)	16.20	East Grimstead Reading Room (hall hire)	30.00	Mrs G Sowerby (seat in respect of Mrs R Clark)	199.00	Boswell Bros. (grit sand for petanque)		116.40		
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108.19	Correspondence <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community Government Review. This was discussed and looked into further. 2. A letter had been received via the post box in West Grimstead complaining about the state of Sunnysdale, Crockford Road. Concerned residents asked if the Parish Council could take action to have the site tidied up. It was agreed that the Parish Council had no powers to do this. 															

109.19	Date of Next Meeting Monday 7 th October at West Grimstead Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.	
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