

GRIMSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on the 4th March 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room. Present: Councillors Sowerby (chair presiding), Clark, Shrapnell, Wilkinson, Doran, Christie, Daffern, together with Wiltshire councillor R Britton plus ten members of the public.

30.19	<p>Public Speaking Time It was decided that a litter pick would be carried out in both villages despite a warning from Public Health England. Many of the villagers attending the meeting were very concerned about the planning application for three houses at Dairy Farm, East Grimstead.</p> <p>Declarations of Interest Cllr Clark declared her interest in the Planning Application at Rowdens Farm.</p>	Clerk
31.19	<p>Wiltshire Council Report. The Enforcement Notice at Nightwood Farm does not come into effect until the beginning of April. The owners of Valley View have lodged an appeal. WCllr Britton is trying to get Public Health England to review its policy on Litter Picking for the south of Wiltshire.</p>	
32.19	<p>Minutes The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th February 2019, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed.</p>	
33,19	<p>Planning <i>19/01449 – Redevelopment of redundant farmyard to create 3 detached dwellings and associated works at Dairy Farm, East Grimstead.</i> A long discussion took place and the Parish Council strongly object to this application on the following grounds. It believes it would be ruinous to the character of East Grimstead on the following grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The huge, over bearing scale of the development. 2 The visual impact of three big modern dwellings which are out of keeping with the rest of the village. 3. The detrimental effect it would have on the adjoining properties which include a Grade II listed house and barn. 4. The replacement of a single storey shed/barn with a two storey building with large windows. 5. The lack of demand for large houses in the village. 6. The environmental impact on the pond from a long period of construction; loss of trees; light pollution from the new houses and drainage issues. 7. Concerns about road safety if the stretch of green open land next to the road is turned into a hedged garden thereby reducing visibility on the bend. <p>If this application is approved by the Committee, Cllr Britton will call it in. He stressed that the more people that wrote and objected, the greater the impact. Parish Councils views, especially for applications that go to Committee do carry a lot of weight.</p> <p><i>Application 19/01304 – Installation of a single conservation style roof light into the eastern hip elevation of a stable barn roof at Rowdens Farm, West Grimstead.</i> This is yet another retrospective application on this site and although the Parish Council had no objections to the actual application, concern was shown that it was retrospective.</p> <p><i>Dillons Farm</i> Email received from Enforcement stating that are only two mobile units on the site which is in accordance with the approval.</p>	Clerk Clerk
34.19	<p>Playing Field Nothing further to report.</p>	

35.19	<p>Highways <i>Bugmore Lane Ditch</i> No further information to hand. <i>Flooding at Parsons Cottage, Bugmore Lane</i> The owner of the cottage is in contact with Wiltshire Council Highways. <i>The Parish Steward</i> is in the parish on the 13th March 2019. . <i>Butterfurlong Road</i> All hedges have now been cut back. No further news on the culvert. <i>Signs</i> The new Road Narrow sign has been ordered. The new EAST GRIMSTEAD sign has been approved by CATG and the Parish Council has been asked to pay £65 towards this. Agreed. <i>Flooding by Charcoal Track</i> This area is still prone to flooding and the area opposite the track is in a very poor state of repair. The clerk to write to Highways again asking if he can recommend a solution to the problem. Also Longford Estate to try and arrange a site meeting.</p> <p><i>Litter on Railway Bank</i> Network Rail has been asked to clear the litter from the railway embankment by the Crockford Road</p>	Clerk								
36.19	<p>Footpaths The owner of Willow Cottage is happy with the new sign, but Cllrs Doran and Sowerby are now concerned about lack of signage/ After the meeting, it was agreed to get a footpath sign put on the post.</p> <p>Wiltshire Council has made the Order for the diversion of Footpath 1 through Holme Farm.</p>									
37.19	<p>Hazel Hill Letter from Marcos Frangos informing the Council that they are still awaiting an outcome from the European Leader fund and depending on that outcome, they will decide whether the Hideaway is a fundable scheme and if so likely build timeframes in 2019.</p>									
38.19	<p>Speed Indicator Device This item was discussed at the recent Southern Area Board meeting. Cllr Sowerby explained about the costs, etc. and it was decided that this will be discussed at our next meeting.</p>									
39.19	<p>Trees Nothing further to report</p>									
40.19	<p>Motor Bikes It was reported that motorbikes (without registration numbers) were being ridden in the old chalk pit at East Grimstead. A member of the public offered to report this to the owner. Apparently these are also going into Bentley Wood. The Police to be informed.</p>	Clerk								
41.19	<p>Litter Pick Up This will go ahead on the 23rd March in both villages. All rubbish will go in various black bins belonging to those involved.</p>									
42.19	<p>Best Kept Village Competition. It was decided not to enter this competition.</p>									
43.19	<p>Annual Parish Meeting This would take place on the 13th May, 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room. A representative from the Recycling Team to be invited.</p>									
44.19	<p>Parking on Bugmore Green Permission was granted for a resident to use the green for car parking for a wedding reception later in the year.</p>									
45.19	<p>Accounts for Payment The following accounts were passed for payment</p> <table data-bbox="365 1780 1226 1896"> <tr> <td>Wiltshire Council (PC's share of new EG sign)</td> <td>£65.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs E Bayford salary</td> <td>£675.52</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs E Bayford expenses</td> <td><u>£63.47</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>£738.99</td> </tr> </table>	Wiltshire Council (PC's share of new EG sign)	£65.00	Mrs E Bayford salary	£675.52	Mrs E Bayford expenses	<u>£63.47</u>		£738.99	
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46.19	<p>Date of Next Meeting – 4th March 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room at 7.30 p.m.</p>									