GRIMSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council held on the 4th February 2019 at West Grimstead Village Hall. Present: Councillors Sowerby (chair presiding), Clark, Shrapnell, Wilkinson, Doran, Christie, Daffern, together with Wiltshire councillor R Britton plus six members of the public.

	Public Speaking Time A member of the public queried whether all the footpaths and bridleways in the parish were on the Register. Cllr Sowerby confirmed that they were. There will be a litter pick up in both villages during the week commencing 22 nd March. It was reported that there had been a spate of vandalism in East Grimstead with car wing mirrors being ripped off. Also the new railings and posts in Bugmore Lane had been thrown into the ditch. Wilts Councillor Britton said that these issues must be reported to the police who rely on community-fed information. The clerk to inform PC Holland. It was also reported that two motorcylists, without helmets, were riding around West Grimstead. It was hoped to arrange a person from the Recycling Centre to come and talk at the Annual Parish Meeting. The clerk to arrange. Declarations of Interest There were none	Clerk
15.19	Wiltshire Council Report. Because of the predicted snow, the Area Board Meeting had been cancelled and is now scheduled for the 12 th February at Trafalgar School. The outcome of the recent Boundary Review should soon be known.	
	Minutes The Minutes of the meeting held on the 7 th January, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed. Items dealt with by the Clerk	
17.19	Playing Field The new ropes have been installed. It has been decided that the mounds of earth at the back of the field can be removed. Mr Read and Mr Paramor to be informed. There are five families with young children in the village who have expressed their ideas about the Playing Field. Cllrs Sowerby, Clark and Doran will arrange to meet them.	Clerk
18.19	Highways Bugmore Lane Ditch No further information to hand. Flooding at Parsons Cottage, Bugmore Lane The Structures Team to be contacted again. A copy email from the owner to Mr Axtel was to hand asking when something will be done. The Parish Steward is in the parish on the 13 th February 2019. Crockford Road The overrun in Crockford Road was not within intervention level but will be monitored. Butterfurlong Road Some of the trees have been cut back. The hedge opposite the building site is badly in need of cutting back. The clerk to write to the owner. Also the hedge bordering Karapiro is in need of cutting back and the clerk will see the owners to try and get something sorted out. With regard to the culverts this is currently with the Structures Team who are trying to recruit new staff and until such time as this happens, the barriers will have to remain. Chapel Hill The hedge at Wilsomdor has not been cut back despite the clerk having written to the owners. Signs The necessary form has been sent to CATG for the Road Narrow sign along Long Drove. The sign on the railway bridge in West Grimstead needs renewing. This has been passed to the Structures Team to deal with. As there are already weight restriction signs at the top of Windwhistle Lane, blue signs cannot be erected. The clerk has written to Highways England attaching recent photos large lorries using the lane but nothing to report as yet. Cllr Britton is also	

in touch with Highways England.

	Flooding by Charcoal Track 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	Clerk
	Footpaths Mr Sharpe is now in possession of a Circular Footpath sign and will replace the large sign with it at the entrance to the track to Willow Cottage. The Parish Council has no objection to the application for diversion of Footpath1 from the centre to the south side of the garden of Holme Farm. Cllr Doran will discuss the replacement of the footpath signs and stile to the agreed new position with the householder.	
20.20	Vison Update There has been nothing put in the letter boxes.	
21.19	Hazel Hill No news.	
22.19	Speed Indicator Device This item will be raised at the next Southern Area Board meeting on the 13 th February.	
	Milk Vending Machine Alderbury Parish Council have decided not to go ahead with the scheme as it was felt the village shops would suffer.	
	Litter Pick Up This will take place on the 23 rd March in both villages. Notices to be circulated through the email system and also the parish magazines. British Rail to be asked to pick up the litter on the railway bank by Crockford Road.	
	Planning 19/00060 Replacement of static mobile home with permanent dwelling at 5 Dean Road, East Grimstead The Agent and the owners were in attendance. Cllrs Sowerby explained the application and having spoken with the officer concerned in the case, felt that this type of development should be allowed and that the owners deserved a better property which would enhance the site. A vote was taken with the result being 4 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions. The clerk to write to say the Parish Council had no objections.	
	Precept In order that the general public are made aware of how the precept works, Cllr Sowerby to write articles for the magazines.	GS
26.19	Accounts for Payment The following account was passed for payment	
	Playdale Playgrounds (new ropes) £242.40.	
27.19	Date of Next Meeting – 4 th March 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room at 7.30 p.m.	