

# GRIMSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

**Draft Minutes of the Parish Council held on the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2019 at West Grimstead Village Hall. Present:**  
Councillors Sowerby (chair presiding), Clark, Shrapnell, Wilkinson, Doran, Christie, Daffern, together with  
Wiltshire councillor R Britton and one member of the public.

	<p><b>Public Speaking Time</b> There were no comments</p> <p><b>Declarations of Interest</b> None</p>	
47.19	<b>Wiltshire Council Report.</b> Nothing to report	
48.19	<b>Minutes</b> The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4 <sup>th</sup> March, 2019, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed.	
49.19	<b>Litter Pick</b> This was carried out in both parishes on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> March. There were eight people involved at East Grimstead and 12 in West Grimstead. Sadly it was reported that rubbish has already been dumped along some of the roads. All the volunteers were thanked for their hard work. An email had been received from Network Rail stating that the rubbish had been removed from the railway embankment along Crockford Road.	
50.19	<b>Playing Field</b> The picnic bench by the play equipment is being moved near to the petanque area. It was felt the grass needed to be cut twice a month in order to keep the area by the play equipment tidy. The petanque terrain needs the large stones taken out. The suggestion of a path to be looked into.	
51.19	<p><b>Highways</b> <i>Bugmore Lane Ditch</i> No further information to hand. This item to remain on the agenda.</p> <p>The <i>Parish Steward</i> is in the parish on the 10<sup>th</sup> April.</p> <p><i>Flooding by Charcoal Track</i> The Area Highway Engineer has looked at this and stated that the culvert under the road may be displaced. He has arranged for the gulley emptier to visit the site. The cost of this will be met by the Drainage Team.</p> <p><i>Crockford Road Potholes/road edges.</i> There are some large potholes along this stretch of road together with long broken road edges which are in need of urgent attention. Highways have been notified and this particular stretch of road is being looked at.</p> <p><i>Hedge, Manor Farm, East Grimstead</i> A letter had been received from the owner stating that it was not her hedge. However, it cannot be cut back yet because of nesting birds. Cllr Sowerby to sort this out and get back to the owner at the end of the season.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
52.19	<p><b>Footpaths</b> A request had been received for a map of the Circular Footpath. It was felt a plastic box specially designed to hold leaflets could be put up in both parishes. Also Footpath 12 is difficult to negotiate and a hand rail is need.</p> <p>A resident in West Grimstead has complained about the bridle way near Valley View. The farmer has ploughed the field up to the hedge. The clerk to inform Nick Cowen and ask him to write to the landowner concerned.</p>	Clerk
53.19	<b>Speed Indicator Device</b> After discussion it was agreed not to go ahead with this.	
54.19	<b>Planning</b> Although two applications had been received before the meeting, there was insufficient time for them to be advertised on the agenda. The clerk to write for an extension of the time in	Clerk

	which to give our views.	
55.19	<b>Parish Website</b> This item was raised at the recently held Village Hall Committee Meeting in West Grimstead. It was felt a single parish website would be more sensible than having various different ones. A meeting would be arranged for Cllrs Doran and Sowerby to meet Mrs Carol Hastings who at present runs the Village Hall website.	Clerk
56.19	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b> This would take place on the 13 <sup>th</sup> May, 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room. It is hoped to have a representative from the Recycling Team to come and talk. Refreshments to be provided.	
57.19	<b>Accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.</b> The Receipts and Payment Account was approved by the Council	
58.19	<b>Correspondence</b> A letter complaining about cars being parked on the pavement along the Dean Road had been placed in the West Grimstead Letter Box. It was agreed the clerk should write to all the residents along this stretch of road asking them to park on the road. The pavement is in a poor state with twigs from the trees dropping on it.	Clerk
59.19	<b>Date of Next Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at East Grimstead Reading Room at 7.00 p.m. – ANNUAL PARISH MEETING. This will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.</b>	