

ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2018 in ELMDON VILLAGE HALL AT 7pm

Present: Chairman: Nigel Bond
Councillors: Ian Donaldson John Barrow Petrea Fagan
Penelope Gaine Bill Hodges John Holford
Responsible Financial Officer: Jane Guy

Attendees: Elmdon Community Group – Chairman Robert Woods
Mrs K Heseltine and Mr M Heseltine

18.11 **Apologies for absence**

Parish Clerk, Sheila Jones.

Uttlesford District Councillor Robert Chambers

18.12 **Declaration of Interests for business in hand**

Councillor Donaldson, as the immediate neighbour, declared an interest in Item 18.15 (b) and took no part in the discussions thereon.

18.13 **Minutes of the meeting 9 January 2017**

Minutes were read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

Meeting was suspended for open discussion at the Chairman's discretion.

Elmdon Community Group Chairman Robert Woods reported that the Elmdon Dial Public House had been sold at auction on 5 February 2018. The new owner, Peter Ford, already operates a pub in Wymondham, Norfolk and plans to re-open the public house using this as the model. There is some significant structural work required, together with extensive redecorating to the building; therefore it is anticipated that it will be some time before the public house is open for business. Councillor Chambers also attended the sale and insisted the Auctioneers corrected their description of the Dial from formerly being a Pub to still being a Pub.

The attendees were asked if there were any further matters they wished to discuss and as there were not the meeting resumed.

18.14 **Matters Arising not being discussed later**

- a. Village Design Statement – Next meeting of the VDS Group 20 March 2018.
- b. Potholes and Road signs. – Chairman reported on progress regarding various issues with ECC and on discussions with neighbouring parishes regarding areas of mutual concern.
- c. Defibrillators. Councillors Fagan and Hodges were congratulated on the success in applications to the British Heart Foundation for securing two defibrillators to be located in Elmdon and Duddenhoe End. Councillor Fagan advised that further donations to the fund had been received by both cheques and BACS payments into the bank account, a detailed record of all donations was being maintained. The next stages will be to organise training and to seek further information on the insurance implications of the equipment.

- d. Broadband in Duddenhoe End. Current position regarding Gigaclear was noted.
- e. The Elmdon Dial – This matter was dealt with during the open discussion as above.

18.15 Planning Applications

- (a) UTT/18/0188/OP Land at the Rear of Holly Hedge – Comments on this application, reflecting previous observations, had been submitted to the lead authority, as requested, by the deadline prior to this meeting.

The applicants addressed the parish council questioning the procedure and reasoning for the parish council's comments. It was explained that the parish council had acted in accordance with guidelines and that determination of their application would be made by Uttlesford DC.

- (b) UTT/18/0288/HHF Adams Field, Knole Lane – the Parish Council had no objections to this application, as presented.

18.16 Clerks Report

The Clerk attended the Transport Meeting held on 6 February 2018. Passengers are requested to make bookings via email, giving 48 hours' notice. Email address is: bookings@essexandsuffolkdart.co.uk. New leaflets with more information will be available soon. The operating company is purchasing new software, it is hoped that this will enable a more efficient booking service.

18.17 Finance

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| Current Account | £7,237.45 |
| UDC (Cllr Chambers) Defibrillator | £500.00 |
| BACS Donations to Defibrillator Fund (18:14 c) | £200.00 |
| Sub Total Current Account | £7,937.45 |
| Less Payments to be approved (for details see Appendix A) | -£349.90 |
| Saver Account | £7,084.34 |
| Total | £14,671.89 |
| Inc Ring-fencing amounts for Church wall and Defibrillators | |

18.18 Correspondence and E-Mails

Nothing to report.

18.19 Matters raised by members for the next agenda

- (a) General Data Protection Regulations. (Councillor Barrow agreed to assume lead responsibility).
- (b) Communication between the communities served by the Parish Council.
- (c) Abandoned Vehicles Ickleton Road Elmdon.

18.20 Date of Next Meeting and any changes.

27 March 2018 at Duddenhoe End Village Hall.

The meeting ended at 8.00 pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS

2018

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| 8 May | Duddenhoe End Village Hall |
| 19 June | Elmdon Village Hall |
| 31 July | Duddenhoe End Village Hall |
| 11 September | Elmdon Village Hall |
| 30 October | Duddenhoe End Village Hall |
| 20 November | Elmdon Village Hall |

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| 8 January | Duddenhoe End Village Hall |
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