

## ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2012 IN ELMDON VILLAGE HALL AT 8.00PM

PRESENT: Penelope Gaine, (Acting Chairman), Kate Chambers , John Holford  
Clerk: Carol Fiske

12.96 **Apologies for absence**  
Jayne Drinkwater, Joan Sanderson and Alan Prosser

12.97 There were no declarations of interest

12.98 **Minutes of the previous meeting** 31<sup>st</sup> October 2012 were read, approved and signed by the Acting Chairman.

12.99 **Matters arising** that were not to be discussed later  
The clerk was asked to ascertain if the Parish Council was able to contribute toward the cost of the broadband mast being erected by Buzzcom. Malcolm Ingham is going to attend a meeting re Essex's involvement with the project.  
The clerk was asked to write to Essex Highways informing them that Elmdon & Wenden Lofts Parish Council accepts no responsibility for any accident caused by the dangerous pothole in Elmdon.  
Progress is being made with the cutting of the Yews obstructing the pavement on the High Street. If this is not done soon the Parish Council will hand the matter over to the County Surveyor.  
The clerk was asked to accept Treetops estimate for trimming the Lime trees in the churchyard and propose that the work be done in February 2013.

12.100 **Planning**  
UTT/12/5572/TCL Cutting of tree at Wilkes Barn - No objection  
UTT/1587/12/LB Single storey extension Rose Cottage – Conditional approval  
UTT/1598/12/FUL “ “ “ “

12.101 **Finance**

Current Account	£ 7,317.30
Business Saver Account	£ 7,068.07
Total inc ring fenced £601	£14,385.37
Less current expenditure	£ 333.24
Less unrepresented cheque	<u>£ 25.00</u>
Total in hand	<u>£14,027.03</u>

It was agreed to pay the following invoices  
Petrol for grass cutting Clerks salary and expenses  
Elmdon Village Hall Hire Elmdon Village Hall grant 2012/13 (to appear in next accounts)

The Precept for 2013/14 was agreed and will remain the same as this year.  
It was agreed that an increase could be offered for the cutting of the War Memorial grass in 2013. The Parish Council wished to thank Jamie Elbourn for all his work and was very pleased the way the grass had been cut this year.

12.102 **Salt** The yellow boxes have been filled and there is still plenty of salt from 2012.

- 12.103      **Community Assets**  
Members of the Parish Council felt very strongly that this Register of Assets, some of which belonged to private individuals or organisations, cannot be subject to outside influence. Penelope Gaine offered to speak to Michael Perry in the legal department of Utilesford District Council to clarify the situation.
- 12.104      **Election of a new Parish Councillor**  
The clerk was asked to write to a prospective candidate to be co-opted onto the Parish Council asking them if they would be happy to serve and to attend the January meeting. If they accept the clerk was asked to put a notice on the notice board and to inform the UDC.
- 12.93        **Correspondence and Emails**  
The email about future Street Naming was duly noted.
- 12.94        **Any Other Business**  
There was no other business.
- 12.95        **The date of the next Parish Council Meeting** is 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2012 (Duddenhoe End Village Hall)    The meeting closed at 9.00pm

2013 Parish Council Meeting dates:

April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Duddenhoe End	March 6 <sup>th</sup>	Elmdon
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	Duddenhoe End	May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Elmdon
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Duddenhoe End	August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Elmdon
December 11 <sup>th</sup>	Duddenhoe End	November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Elmdon

NOTE: THE AGENDA AND THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ARE AVAILABLE BY EMAIL FROM THE CLERK Carol Fiske, Dyers Cottage, Kings Lane, Elmdon CB11 4NN  
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AND A PEACEFUL NEW YEAR**

