

ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ELMDON & WENDEN LOFTS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2017 in ELMDON VILLAGE HALL AT 7pm

Present: Nigel Bond
Ian Donaldson Penelope Gaine
Petrea Fagan John Holford
Bill Hodges
Clerk: Sheila Jones
Responsible Financial Officer: Jane Guy

Also present:
District Councillors Robert Chambers and Julie Redfern
Bob Woods, Chairman of the Elmdon Community Group

17.21 **Apologies for absence**
Jonathan Hall

17.22 **Declaration of Interests for business in hand**
Councillor Fagan declared an interest in 17.24(f)
There were no other declaration of interests for the matters in hand.

17.23 **Minutes of the meeting on 14 February 2017**

Minutes were read, approved and signed.

Meeting was suspended for 5 minutes open discussion.

The meeting resumed.

17.24 **Matters Arising not being discussed later**

- a. Elmdon Dial Planning Application – The applicant had withdrawn the Planning Application for a licenced café, hairdressers and deli. The property has since been sold to Gavin Davidson. No firm plans for the future of the Elmdon Dial are at present available. The situation when known, will be monitored by the Elmdon Community Group. (ECG) Councillor Fagan advised that the information collated in advance of the last district council planning committee, before the application was withdrawn, has been passed to the ECG for future reference.
- b. Defibrillators – in hand. A donation of £200 (in the first instance) from the Uttlesford District Council Fund as advised by Councillor Redfern will be requested towards the costs. A separate budget heading will be included for this project in future.
- c. Village Design Statement. A notice will be placed in The Gazette in April outlining the aims and objectives. A questionnaire will be sent to all villagers of Elmdon and Duddenhoe End in due course. The next meeting is the 22nd May 2017.
- d. Road signs and pot holes. Strong feelings were expressed about the state of the roads and village signs. Councillor Redfern proposed that the parish unite with the parishes of Wendens Ambo, Arkesden,

Langley, Clavering and Chrishall to arrange a group meeting with relevant Essex County Council Officer in Chelmsford. Councillor Redfern will liaise with the various Parish Clerks to organise this.

- e. Joan Watson Memorial Bench – in hand. The Bench will not be permanently secured thus enabling cleaning from time to time.
- f. Abandoned Cars on Ickleton Road, Elmdon – in hand
- g. Agritech Park in Hinxton. A number of Councillors attended a meeting held by Hinxton Parish Council which outlined the scoping of a large Agritech Park. This is not yet at a planning stage.

17.25 **Planning Applications**

UTT/17/0415/FUL	6 The Glebe, Elmdon	Approved*
UTT/17/0540HHF	Dove Cotes, Woodmans Lane, DE	Objection because it is considered to be backland development
UTT/17/00763/OP	Rear of Holly Hedge, Woodmans Lane, DE	Objection as it is considered to be backland development.

*Decision made prior to meeting due to deadline date .

17.26 **Clerks Report** – nothing of significance to report.

17.27 **Finance**

Current Account	£7,588.00
Business Saver Account	£ 7,083.10
Total in hand as at 21 March 2017 (inc ring fencing of £5,601)	£14,671.10
Payments to be approved see Appx A	£392.39
Balance	£ 14,278.71

The RFO reported that the District Council had confirmed the dates for the receipt of the precept and grant for 2017/18 in April and September 2017.

It was noted that the contribution to the Elmdon.org web site fees (included in the payments shown above) was covered by the grant from the Transparency Fund.

It was noted that the Council's financial Regulations would be submitted to the AGM for scrutiny and approval.

17.28 **Correspondence and E-Mails**

- a. Best kept playing fields competition – Councillor Holford to apply for this award again this year.
- b. Essex Village of the year competition. Not applicable.
- c. By-way between Elmdon & Chrishall This path is deteriorating because of use by bikers etc. This subject will be included in the Agenda under 17.24 (d)

- d. A request was made for Quiet Lane Registration for Cogmore, School Lane, Duddenhoe End. This subject will also be included in the Local Parish Meeting as in 17.14(d).

17.29 **Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**

- a. £500 to be donated to Duddenhoe End Village Hall in current year 2016/17. Proposed by Councillor Gaine and seconded by Councillor Donaldson. (The annual grant to Elmdon Village Hall had been allocated earlier in the year.

The Meeting Closed at 8.50 pm

17.30 **FUTURE MEETINGS**

9 May	AGM	Duddenhoe End Village Hall
20 June		Elmdon Village Hall
25 July		Duddenhoe End Village Hall
5 September		Elmdon Village Hall
10 October		Duddenhoe End Village Hall
21 November		Elmdon Village Hall
2018		
9 January		Duddenhoe End Village Hall

The meeting ended at

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