

ESH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Esh Parish Council meeting held in The Harry Guildford Centre, Thomas Street, Langley Park on **Tuesday 12th February 2013** commencing at **7.00pm**

Present: Councillors A. Harling (Chair), B. Armstrong, R. Bowyer, J. Carr, K. Heartfield, P. Mollon and M. Renneberg.

Also Present: County Councillor J. Armstrong, Mavis Dixon (Resident) Alexandra Crowe (NLP), Neil Westwick (NLP), Peter Thompson (Mayer Brown) and G.F. Smith (Clerk)

Apologies: Councillors: A. Mollon, R. Partridge, S. Rothwell, M. Sands and M L Rowland (Deputy Clerk)

017/13 Declaration of Interest

Councillor B. Armstrong and A. Harling and County Councillor J. Armstrong Declared an interest in Agenda item 4 – presentation by Nathaniel Litchfield + Partners.

018/13 Police Report

No Pact report received
New PC Kirstie Wilson (Neighbourhood Policing Team)

019/13 Presentation by Nathaniel Lichfield + Partners on “Proposed Planning Application for housing development on land east of Langley Park.

Details of the proposed Planning Application for residential development on land east of Langley Park, identified within the Durham County draft plan. The area falls adjacent to the Esh Parish Boundary. Details of the proposals were discussed as part of the ongoing consultation events. Site detail board were left for any resident to view, further consultation events were planned for the future. Followed by a question and answer session. Members thanked the Officers for attending the meeting and looked forward to meeting them after further consultation had taken place (i.e survey). The three Officers left the meeting.

020/13 Resident Concerns

Mavis Dixon raised the following concerns:-
a) Lack of hanging baskets in the village
b) Dog Fouling on Railway Walk
c) Use of Railway Walk by Local Farmer
d) Allotments – Fly Tipping (manure)

021/13 Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held 8th January 2013

The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

022/13 Minutes of Special meeting held 16th January 2013

Amendment “include Councillor R. Partridge as attending the meeting”
Subject to the above minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

- 023/13 Councillor Vacancy**
Mr Thompson unable to attend the meeting for an interview. Members agreed for the vacancy to be filled at the election in May.
- 024/13 Reports**
A) Parish – No Report
B) County Council
 County Councillor J. Armstrong reported on the following:-
 i) Wood View Community Centre
 ii) All Saints Youth Centre
 iii) New Housing Development near Langley Park
 iv) Bollards in Front Street, Langley Park
 v) Village Walkabout
C) Chair's – No Report
D) Members
 i) Printing and delivery of the Parish Newsletter (Councillor B. Armstrong). The Clerk produced a report on the various options for printing and delivery of the Parish Newsletter. Clerk to make further enquiries and report to the next Parish Council meeting.
 ii) Christmas Tree in Langley park 2012 (Councillor Heartfield)
 Councillor Heartfield reported:-
 a) Sponsors/donations raised £1500, letters of thanks sent out, details in Parish Newsletter and notice boards.
 b) Balance on funds being put towards solar lighting and tree for 2013.
- 025/13 “The Tute”, Church Street, Langley Park**
The Clerk reported that the lease document had been signed and forwarded to the Council's Solicitor; Clerk to chase this matter up for a completion date. Councillor B. Armstrong reported on the funding from the AAP (£400) towards the cost of the Business Plan. Other possible funders were being investigated and reported to the next Parish Council meeting.
- 026/13 Langley Park Recreation Ground (Nature Reserve)**
The Clerk reported on a successful 1st Round funding bid from Natural England (Paths for Communities). Further details to a future Parish Council meeting.
- 027/13 Financial Statement and Report**
Members agreed the details of the Financial Statement and for Vouchers 154 to 168 should be paid, copy of the report attached to these minutes. Councillor B Armstrong questioned when the Financial Report on costs savings for 2013/14 would be presented to the Parish Council. The Clerk suggested that he would be meeting with the Chair and update Members at the next meeting.
- 02813 Planning Applications**
Planning Applications were received for the following:-
A) 1/2013/007/DMFP by Mr R Foreman for single storey garden room extension at 2 Hall Road, Esh
Decision – No objections

029/13 Area Action Partnership / Parish Councils Committee/Medium and Small Councils Forum

Next AAP Board meeting **13th March 2013** at Satley Village Hall (6pm)
Next PCC meeting: - 16th February 2013 at Lanchester (10am)
Next MSCF meeting 14th February 2013 Lanchester (2pm)

030/13 Date and Time of the Next Meeting

The next meeting of Esh Parish Council is on Tuesday **12th March** 2013 at The Harry Guildford Centre, Langley Park commencing at 7.00pm

The meeting finished at 8.22 pm

Signed by the Chairman.....Page 3