

ESH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Special Parish Council Meeting held at The Miners Institute Building, Church Street, Langley Park on Monday 1st February 2016 commencing at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors G. Hawxwell (Chairman), B. Armstrong, J. Armstrong, S. Bell, R. Bowyer, S. Cheal, B. Coult, I. Dowson, L. Finch, K. Heartfield, M. McGaun, A. Mollon, P. Mollon, R. Moralee, M. Sands and A. Simpson

Also Present: G. F. Smith (Clerk)

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Miners Institute Building, Church Street, Langley Park

The Clerk/Councillor J Armstrong updated the meeting with a summary of what has happened between CISWO, Langley Park and District Community Association, Solicitors acting for both parties and Esh Parish Council.

1. A copy of an e-mail dated 12th January 2016 from Alison Turner Mills (CISWO) was circulated at the meeting, details to follows:-
“I have now discussed the matter with Vernon Jones (CEO) and as Trustees of the Community Centre (LP + DCA) have deregistered the Charity it seems we have reached an impasse and that the only way forward is for there to be a surrender of the existing lease and the grant of a new 25 year lease to the Parish Council at a market rent. However CISWO would be willing to seek further legal advise to determine if there is another way to progress the matter if the Parish Council would be prepared to fund these costs. Please advise if this is something the Parish Council is willing to consider. CISWO is keen to resolve this long running matter as the current situation, as I’m sure you will agree, is unsatisfactory for CISWO, The Trustees of the Community Centre and the Parish Council who have spent money on a property without any protection for their investment”.
2. Copy of Income/Expenditure for the Building was circulated at the meeting, details to follow:-

LP Miners Institute – Income Expenditure (as of April 2014)

Expenditure

Building:

Quigleys £174,794.90

Total £174,794.90

Income**Building**

Banks	£25,802
Premier waste	£25,000
D/side Coll	£30,000
DCC RED	£28,191
DCC AAP	£15,000
DCC NB (MC)	£12,878
DCC NB (JA)	£10,755
DCC NB (BA/JA)	£15,490
EPC	£6,428.90
DCC MIF (BA)	£ 250
Cloths	£5,000

Total **£174,794.90**

Many Members raised concerns regarding the situation of this matter and requested that the Clerk contacts the Council's Solicitor to advise the Parish Council of her understanding of the legal situation and also to keep all Councillors up to date with any further developments.

The meeting finished at 8.05pm