##  **EBRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 27th 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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| 23/14 | **Present:**Cllrs. A.Warren (Chairman), M.Fisher, P.Drinkwater, L.French, B.Sabin, J.Coombe, S.Jepson, K. O’Donoghue (Clerk) & 6 members of the public. |  |
| 23/15 | **Welcome & apologies for absence**: The chairman welcomed everyone. Apologies were received from Lynden Stowe, Paul Chappell, Paul Waters |  |
| 23/16 | **Declarations of Interest**: None |  |
| 23/17 | **Minutes of previous meetings:** **T**he minutes of the meeting held on January 23rd were **approved** unanimously and signed by the Chairman. |  |
| 23/18 | **Matters arising from previous minutes:*** Charrington bench is awaiting installation

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| 23/19/1/2/3 | **County & District Councillors Reports**: S.J. reported:* The CDC budget would include a maximum permissible council tax increase.
* The cashless carpark payment system was causing problems
* Inadequate funding was being received by Campden School for its leisure facilities from CDC.

Issues raised:* Food waste bins were not being emptied in Hidcote
* Woodbine cottage street light was awaiting action by the Conservation Officer
 | SJ |
| 23/20/1/2/3 | **Planning:**23/00686/FUL – **resolved** no objection**Outstanding:** * 22/00922/FUL | Replacement of windows & doors, Crabtree Cottage Hidcote Boyce – waiting since 1/4/22

**Saxon Fields*** **noted** that the enforcement notice had been issued
* a list of remedial work to be prepared for Clerk to forward to Enforcement
 |   BS |
| 23/21/1 | **Report from Recreation Facilities Group*** Update deferred till next meeting
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| 23/22/1/2/3 | **Parish Infrastructure**Snow Warden & plough operator* Plough operator resolution is dependent on a meeting of operators in June.

Village Car Park EV* The pub operators were awaiting the landowners permission and are preparing a proposal for PC consideration.

Website Improvements* Providers and their websites were being evaluated and comments were requested on the Ilmington website.
 |   P.D.    J.C. |
| 23/23/1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/9 | **Parish Matters**Coronation* **resolved** that the PC would provide £500 for the celebrations
* The risk assessment for the torch lit procession to be prepared and the Clerk to forward to Zurich Insurance as requested.

Footpaths* **Resolved** - the £1500 grant for boundary stone repair to be declined, subject to confirmation that no repairs are required.

Maintenance* **Resolved** – a cattle trough plant box would be installed on the path at Elm Grove at a cost of c.£200
* The trees on Prunus bank would need pollarding
* The Village Warden trial was a success and the PC supported its continuation.
* Thanks were expressed to PD for the prompt clearance of May Lane fallen trees.
* There would be a litter pick as part of the Coronation celebrations
* The extra step will be installed at the Elm Grove Post Box.
 |  J.C./B.S. ClerkJ.C.P.D.JC PD |
| 23/24 | **Clerks Report*** **Noted**: online banking was now operational and would be used in future for payments.
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| 23/25 /1 | **Finance*** The following payments were **approved**:

 Village Hall Rental 14.00 January meeting  K.O’Donoghue 760.34 Clerk Salary January & February PAYE 91.32  GAPTC subscription 166.11. |  |
|  /2 | **Audit*** The Clerk/RFO advised that any Internal Auditor should be properly qualified and also competent.
* The Chairman stated that he had discussed with Peter Banton his qualifications and was satisfied that he was properly qualified and competent to act as Internal Auditor.
* **Resolved** – to appoint Peter Banton as Internal Auditor
* **Resolved** – that exemption be claimed from a Limited Assurance Review with the external auditors.
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| 23/26/1/2/3/4/5 | **AOB*** The installation of the Elm Grove Tree plaque was outstanding.
* 2 sets of Defibrillator pads would be required in August.
* The possible restoration of an ancient wooden boundary post would be investigated.
* The meeting closed at 8.45pm.
* Next full meeting Tuesday M
 | L.F.A.W. |

 Signed & dated by the Chairman: