## **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 |  |
| 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 |  |
| 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.  Clerk  J.C.  P.D.  JC  PD |
| 23/24 | **Clerks Report**   * **Noted**: online banking was now operational and would be used in future for payments. |  |
| 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. |  |
| 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: