Minutes of the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 26 April 2016 in the Village Hall, East Budleigh.

PRESENT

Cllrs P Barnard A Tweedie M Smith L Booth J White M Clarke Mrs P Hayman D Buss – Chair Valerie Lister

Present: District Cllrs T Wright and G Jung.

There were 4 members of the public present.

PCSO Chantalle Major was not in attendance but submitted her police report which can be viewed on the parish council notice board.

The Parish Council Meeting began at 7.30pm.

It has been proposed and agreed that members of the public be allowed to speak for **3 minutes** at the beginning of the meeting. This time scale will run to maximum of 30 minutes, therefore allowing 10 people to speak. This will bring EBPC in line with other town/parish councils. Members of the public wishing to speak on an Agenda item are requested to inform the clerk no later than 25 April. It should be noted that this is **NOT** a question and answer session, it simply provides a vehicle for the public to make the council aware of views of the public before discussing agenda items.

The clerk had received no requests from residents to comment on any Agenda item.

- 1. APOLOGIES: Dist. Cllrs A Dent and S Hall and Cllr T Cantlon.
- **MINUTES**: The Minutes of the March 2016 Parish Council meeting were agreed and the Minutes were signed as a correct record by the Chair.
- 3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & RISK ASSESSMENT**: There was no Declaration of Interest. Risk Assessment was checked by the Chair.

4. MATTERS ARISING

None.

5. MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

30mph in East Budleigh – Cty Cllr Channon was not in attendance to provide an update.

East Budleigh Children's Play Area – The Chair provided feedback on his research into ownership of 'Play Areas'. He reported that after discussions with EDDC ownership of the 'Play Area' was nearly always the responsibility of the landowner. In the case of East Budleigh Children's Play Area this lay with the 4 Trustees of the Village Hall who have owned the land since 1948, when the land was gifted to the village by Clinton Devon Estates. After detailed discussion – in what is a complex issue – it was agreed to form a combined working group of 3 Councillors (A Tweedie, Valerie Lister and M Clarke) to look at options and report back.

Parishes Together Funding – No update.

Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations – Cllr P Barnard as the longest serving member of the Council has been nominated to represent the Parish at the forthcoming Garden Party to be held at Knowle. The Chair also reported that he had submitted the Parish's entry for the Community Award and thanked John Tresidder and Peter Bowler for their support.

Neighbourhood Plan Update – No update as the Plan is currently out for consultation.

6. PLANNING – Cllr M Smith – There was none.

Plan no. & Type	Location	Proposed Development
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Additional correspondence and reports. The Minutes of 12 April 2016 Extra Planning \meeting were circulated and agreed.

Decisions made by EDDC Planning Department

Reference Location EDDC Decision

7. **REPORTS**

Chairman – The Chair reported that he would attend the EDDC Development Meeting (either on 10 or 12 May 2016) to represent the Council's view on the proposed Frogmore Road development.

Clerk – the clerk was not present; however the chair read out an email from Mr Colin Yeats concerning the poor condition of Yettington Village Hall's notice board. It was agreed that the clerk should ask Mr Yeats to provide a quote for a replacement board with a view to requesting funds from the EDDC Community Fund. *Drakes School* – Cllr Booth reported that the school 'Clean Up' had been a huge success with many parents involved. The school is ready for their forthcoming exams and are predicting above average results. He also provided an update on the excellent work the school has done in producing the Devon Flag and informed the council that the school would soon be erecting its own flag pole to enable this flag and others to be flown.

Parish Paths Partnership – No issues.

Recreation – The Chair reported that the East Budleigh football team would be delighted to help erect the gate that has been donated by Clinton Devon Estates. The clerk will ensure that the Football team is provided with the contact details.

Britain in Bloom – No report.

Village Hall – No issues.

East Budleigh Dog Owners Forum – No problems.

East Budleigh Relief in Need – No report.

Public Conveniences – Cllr Clarke reported that he has approached the Valuation Office with a view to combining car park and the toilets into a single rate. This would provide the parish with substantial financial savings; he was congratulated for his excellent work.

Neighbourhood Health Watch – No report. *Any other reports*

8. ACCOUNTS AND FINANCES

The Clerk gave out the monthly cash statement and report. She asked for several cheques to be passed for signature. These were proposed, seconded and carried.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will take place on Tuesday, 31 May 2016 at 7pm; this will be followed by the May Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm. Plans to view at 6.30pm

SignedChairman Date

OPEN SESSION

TOPICS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND BY COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

It was noted that no decisions could be made, but matters were discussed which involve no more than an exchange of information.