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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST CHILTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
 held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 at 7.00 pm in Beechwood Hall, Cooksbridge.

**Present:** Cllr. E.Harrison - Chair                      **Apologies:** Cllr.J.Tingle  
 Cllr.C.Funnell - Vice chair  
 Cllr.C.Farmelo  
 Cllr.J.Smith  
 Cllr.M.Symes      **In attendance:** Mrs J.Toomey - Clerk to the Council. LDC Cllr.S.Osborne

		Action
03/17/01	<p><b>Any apologies for absence &amp; to note the resignation of Cllr.Fleming and to consider the vacancy</b>            Council noted and accepted an apology from Cllr.Tingle            Council wished to thank Cllr.Fleming for his service to the parish and will present him with a framed millennium map of the parish. Clerk had advertised the vacancy for a parish councillor but had not, so far, had anyone come forward for the role.</p>	
03/17/02	<p><b>Any questions from the public</b>            LDC Cllr.Sarah Osborne reported on a recent LDC budget meeting. She said LDC plan to start a local lottery to raise money for local good causes. They will also carry out a feasibility study into the use of modular units to house the homeless and also a study to look at accommodation in rural areas. This would look at the impact and implications of converting outbuildings for residential use and will also look at homesharing between the elderly and younger lodgers. She will also look at a sustainable tourism strategy and in May, will be standing as a County council candidate for the Plumpton area.</p>	
03/17/03	<p><b>Declaration of interest</b> on any of the agenda items and update of interests.            None</p>	
03/17/04	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January</b> were agreed and signed as a true record.</p>	
03/17/05	<p><b>Matters arising from last meeting - None</b></p>	
3.17.6	<p><b>Financial matters</b>  <b>Council approved payment of the following invoices:</b>            Cheque No: 941 £50.00 CPRE donation to Sussex fund            Cheque No: 942 £337.25 Clerk salary/expenses for January            Cheque No: 943 £530.40 Upperbridge – website fees            Cheque No: 944 £335.85 Clerk salary/expenses for February</p>	
3.17.6.1	<p><b>Council noted</b> the current financial situation</p>	
3.17.6.2	<p>Council considered a request for funds from Lewes CAB and the Sussex Air Ambulance and agreed that a file should be kept for all grant applications, which would be decided at the November council meeting.</p>	
3.17.7	<p><b>Planning Matters:</b>  <b>Chair proposed that Cllr.Symes should join and chair the planning and environment committee and this was agreed by all.</b></p>	
3.17.7.1	<p><b>There were no current applications</b></p>	
3.17.7.2	<p><b>Council noted decisions made by LDC:</b>  <b>LW/16/1045</b> Land Adjacent To Mount Pleasant, Highbridge Lane. Demolition of 3 buildings and a shed and erection of a new dwelling with associated parking and landscaping - <i>withdrawn</i>  <b>SDNP/16/04886/CNDC Novington</b> Sand pit, Plumpton -Variation of condition 2 of LW/386/CM to allow extraction of sand and restoration of the site - <i>approved</i>  <b>LW/17/0011</b> North Barnes Farm – Erection of grain store -<i>permitted development approval</i></p>	

3.17.7.3	<b>Council considered any response to the Conservation Area Appraisal</b> and whilst they agreed with the proposals they felt the wording needed improvement and clarification.	Cllr.Symes
3.17.7.4	<b>To consider any action regarding telegraph poles in Wickham Lane.</b> Following correspondence from a resident of Wickham Lane concerned that telegraph poles have been installed, council agreed to write to LDC asking if pressure could be put onto BT to get cables routed underground.	Clerk
3.17.8	<b>To receive any reports:</b>	
3.17.8.1	<b>No report from the Chair</b>	
3.17.8.2	<b>TECT:</b> Cllr.Farmelo said TECT had held a couple of pruning days. The quiz was a success and raised over £800. A mulch of manure has been applied to the trees. A document will be drawn up to allow permitted access from the gardens of adjoining properties. A resident had offered to become a TECT trustee and this was discussed and approved by all. Cllr.Mary Symes will represent the PC as one of the TECT trustees.	
3.17.8.3	<b>Finance and staffing</b> – Cllr.Farmelo had nothing to report	
3.17.8.4	<b>Communications/magazine/website:</b> Cllr.Farmelo (Cllr.Harrison). had nothing to report	
3.17.8.5	<b>Environment:</b> Cllr.Smith -The village litter pick will be on March 5 <sup>th</sup> Cllr.Funnell will organise refreshments for volunteers on the day. Cllr.Funnell has been dealing with reports of a padlocked gate on footpath 37a. and informed the PC that the landowners have installed a kissing gate.	
3.17.8.6	<b>Community events/facilities:</b> Cllr.Harrison (all) – Council agreed that the parish day would take place on June 24 <sup>th</sup> 2017	
3.17.8.7	<b>Community Care:</b> Cllr.Funnell (Cllr.Smith) – had nothing to report	
3.17.8.8	<b>Highways:</b> Cllr.Tingle No report <b>Verges:</b> Cllr.Funnell - had nothing to report <b>Council discussed</b> a letter from a resident who had contacted ESCC regarding verge maintenance and agreed that the parish council was not prepared to take over responsibility from ESCC and this would not be an agenda item Council noted that during March ESCC will be clearing ditches in the following areas: Honeypot Lane, Chiltington Lane, Novington Lane, Chapel Lane and Novington Lane.	
03/17/09	<b>Any reports from meetings attended by councillors or the clerk</b> None	
3.17.10	<b>Council noted all correspondence received since last meeting.</b>	
03/17/11	<b>Update on the Village green application / SDNP Local green spaces/ LLCA</b> ESCC have said that ECPC should get a report from them by 4 <sup>th</sup> March	
03/17/12	<b>To agree a policy on the use of parish marquees</b> Council discussed the terms and conditions for residents wanting to borrow the marquees owned by the parish council and agreed a policy.	
03/17/13	<b>Update on upgrade of the community website</b> The chair said the new site was now up and running but there was still a question about whether the alerts were getting through. Very few people had signed up to the new site so far. Chair will check if the alerts are working and encourage more people to sign up.	Chair
03/17/14	<b>Update on design/cost of boundary sign in Honeypot Lane</b> – Cllr Tingle No report received	Cllr.Tingle
03/17/15	<b>To consider benefits of a defibrillator for East Chiltington</b> Cllr.Funnell said the offer from British heart foundation had now closed. She will investigate other sources of funding.	Cllr.Funnell
03/17/16	<b>Items for noting or inclusion on a future agenda.</b> The annual parish meeting will be on May 11 <sup>th</sup> at 7pm to be followed no earlier than 7.30pm by the annual parish council meeting.	
01/17/17	<b>The 2017 meetings of the PC will be :</b> APM & AGM 11 <sup>th</sup> May, 13 <sup>th</sup> July, 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept, 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

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Signed.....(Chairman ) Dated.....

Glossary:

LDC – Lewes District Council

SDNPA - South Downs National Park Authority

ESCC - East Sussex County Council

SSALC – Surrey and Sussex Association of Local Councils

TECT – The East Chiltington Trust

LDALC – Lewes District Association of Local Councils

CPRE – Campaign for the Protection of Rural England

RPA – Rural payments agency

AIRS – Action in Rural Sussex

ECAG – The East Chiltington Action Group