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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST CHILTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
 held on **4th January 2018 at 7.00 pm in Beechwood Hall, Cooksbridge.**

Present: Cllr. E.Harrison - Chair **Apologies:** Cllr.C.Farmelo
 Cllr.C.Funnell - Vice chair
 Cllr.J.Tingle Cllr.J.Smith
 Cllr.R. Nurse Cllr.M.Symes

In attendance: Mrs J.Toomey - Clerk to the Council.

		Action
1/18/01	Apologies for absence - Cllr.C.Farmelo, Sarah Osborne LDC Cllr.	
1/18/02	Any questions from the public None	
1/18/03	Declaration of interest on any of the agenda items and update of interests. None	
1/18/04	Minutes of the meeting held on 9th November were agreed and signed as a true record.	
1/18/05	Matters arising from last meeting <i>min.no.11.17.8.5 Clerk has been informed by ESCC that there is no signage available to slow vehicles or to alert that there may be children playing in the street.</i> <i>min.no.11.17.10 Clerk has been informed by ESCC that they will no longer offer devolution of verge maintenance to parishes in rural areas.</i>	
1.18.6	Financial matters	
1.18.6.1	Council approved payment of the following invoices: Cheque No: 966 £100.00 Grant to Lewes district Citizens advice (s.137) Cheque No: 967 £100.00 Grant to Kent & Sussex air Ambulance(s.137) Cheque No: 968 £337.84 Clerk salary/expenses Nov. inc. CofT funds Cheque No: 969 £343.07 Clerk salary/expenses Dec. inc. CofT funds	
1.18.6.2	Council noted the current financial situation.	
1.18.6.3	Council considered a late grant request from the Springett & Campion Trust Chair proposed a grant of £200 because a number of EC residents had benefited from these grants. Seconded by Cllr.Smith and agreed.	
1.18.7	Planning Matters:	
1.18.7.1	To discuss any current application SDNP/16/00462 Planning appeal relating to enforcement notice – <i>the parish council made no comment on this appeal</i>	
1.18.7.2	Council noted decisions by LDC: LW/17/0765 & LW/17/0766 Upper Burrells, Chilmington Lane - Demolition of existing greenhouse and the construction of a new greenhouse - <i>granted</i> SDNP/17/05004 Birchington Farm, Novington Lane -Change of use and conversion of commercial buildings to single residential unit and demolition of redundant agricultural buildings - <i>granted</i> LW/17/0886 LW/17/0861 Kemps House, Chilmington Lane - Conversion of existing games room and studio to residential annex – <i>granted</i> LW/17/0697 Gradwell End, South Chailey - Care accommodation - 65 extra care units, clubhouse and social area, other care and associated facilities together with landscaping and parking – <i>granted</i> Cllr.Tingle gave an update regarding Gradwell End which will make no contribution to local services through any CIL payments but the 65 new units should contribute council tax. There will be 88 parking spaces.	

1.18.8	To receive any reports:	
1.18.8.1	Report from the Chair The chair was contacted by a Hollycroft resident whose garden had flooded. This is possibly caused by the ditch being blocked. It is not a PC matter but possibly TECT could advise.	
1.18.8.2	TECT: Cllr.Symes said there would be wassailing on Sat.13 th January from 5pm and an orchard working morning on Feb.3 rd 10.30-12.30pm. The annual pub quiz takes place on 19 th February at the Jolly Sportsman.	
1.18.8.3	Finance and staffing – Cllr.Farmelo had sent no report	
1.18.8.4	Communications/magazine/website: Chair will advise the change of date and venue of the March meeting	
1.18.8.5	Environment: A number of signs had gone up around the sandpit indicating that extraction will soon begin again	
1.18.8.6	Community events/facilities: The council had received two 9 a side goal posts and thanked Hamsey PC for these and thanked local residents for kindly fetching and installing them.	
1.18.8.7	Community Care: Cllr.Funnell had not been contacted about the good neighbour scheme Christmas Party. It was not known if any EC residents had attended.	
1.18.8.8	Highways: Highways and items for SLR meetings: Cllr.Tingle will raise the problem of vehicles damaging the grass by the church when they don't realise the lane is a no through road. Perhaps there should be a T sign by the pub.	
1.18.8.9	Verges: Council had been contacted by a resident concerned that the ditches had been dug too deeply and waste material had been piled on the verges making them impossible to walk or ride on. Council felt it was important that the ditches were cleared to alleviate flooding and whilst the verges looked bad presently they will soon recover.	
1.18.9	Any reports from meetings attended by councillors or the clerk None	
1.18.10	Council noted all correspondence received since last meeting.	
1/18/11	Update on the Village green application The ESCC panel met on November 15th and officially registered the Hollycroft Field as a Village Green. Council made the decision to contact LDC regarding any future plans.	
1/18/12	To select a date and venue for the annual litter pick. March 4 th . Meet at the rotunda at 10am.	
1/18/13	Update on a defibrillator for East Chiltington This is progressing.	
1/18/14	Update on boundary sign in Honeypot Lane Cllr.Tingle and the clerk will meet with Ian Johnson, ESCC on January 24 th to discuss repositioning the sign on the boundary or within East Chiltington parish. Cllr.Osborne has taken this up on behalf of the parish but County Cllr. Jim Sheppard has not replied to any of the parish council's requests.	
1/18/15	Items for noting or inclusion on a future agenda Council will review the financial regulations, risk assessment and standing orders of the council at the March meeting.	
1/18/16	The next meetings of the PC will be : March 7 th at East Chiltington Church Then - May 3 rd , July 12 th , September 6 th , Nov. 1 st all at Beechwood Hall, Cooksbridge.	

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

JT 8/1/2018

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