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DRAFT minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of EAST CHILTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
 held on **23rd April 2019** at 7.30 pm in the Committee room, Plumpton Village Hall

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

Apologies: None

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

		Action
4/19/01	Apologies for absence None	
4/19/02	Any questions from the public None	
4/19/03	Declaration of interest on any of the agenda items and update of interests. None	
4/19/04	Minutes of the meeting held on 4th March 2019 were agreed and signed	
4/19/05	Matters arising from last meeting None	
4.19.6	Financial matters	
4.19.6.1	Council approved payment of the following invoices: Cheque No: 101004 £375.11 Clerk salary/expenses March. Cheque No: 101005 £52.00 Room Hire- Plumpton village hall Cheque No: 101006 £137.52 Subscription to SSALC	
4.19.6.2	Council noted the current financial situation.	
4.19.6.3	Council agreed to declare that East Chiltington parish council is an exempt authority within the definition contained in the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015	
4.19.6.4	Council agreed to approve the Annual Governance Statement	
4.19.6.5	Council considered the Accounting Statements and approved the Accounting Statements	
4.19.6.6	Council ensured the Accounting Statements were signed and dated by the chair	
4.19.6.7	Council noted that the accounts and accounting records will be available for public inspection between the 9 th June and the 18 th July 2019.	
4.19.7	Planning Matters: Council noted and discussed the following applications: LW/18/0999 Yokehurst Farm Mill Lane East Chiltington - Construction of a new stables building for horses, barn for paddock maintenance equipment and hay, with associated landscaping and indigenous planting, Construction of a structure to enclose the existing external fuel and water tanks. Provision of a metal horse walker - <i>objection</i> SDNP/19/01057/LDP Temporary siting of a mobile cabin during self-build home (current permission ends 31 May 2019) Birchington Farm Novington Lane – <i>No objection</i> LW/19/0213 Pinchers Hill , Novington Lane,- Existing conservatory roof replacement– <i>No objection</i> LW/19/0136 Greensand Chiltington Lane East Chiltington. Proposed detached single storey garden studio/ library- revised application with library repositioned. <i>No objection</i> TW/19/0022/TCA 1 no. Horse Chestnut close to public footpath East of A275 Cooksbridge Ref 0030: 1 No. Horse Chestnut (Aesculus Hippocastenum) clear fell to ground level due to poor structural condition caused by basal decay. Marked with red paint and labelled 0030 – <i>no comment made</i>	
3.19.7.1	Council noted that no decisions had been made by LDC and SDNP	

4.19.8	To receive any reports:	
4.19.8.1	Report from the Chair : The chair had nothing additional to report but she thanked Cllr.Farmelo who will not be standing again for the council and she also thanked those councillors who have agreed to stand again.	
4.19.8.2	TECT: The council had received an application from a local resident who wished to become a trustee for TECT. It was felt that they would be a valuable addition to the trustees and were pleased to recommend her to TECT. Cllr.Farmelo (secretary of TECT) will stand down in May so the PC will need to appoint another representative. Cllr.Symes was happy to continue in the role and she thought an orchard work morning was planned for Sunday 28 th April at 10.30am (tbc). Jo White will remain a TECT trustee but not as chair.	
4.19.8.3	Finance and staff: Nothing to report	
4.19.8.4	Communications/magazine/website: Cllr Tingle offered to write the 500 word parish magazine entry each month, and asked that councillors send her contributions for this. As the chair presently updates the website, someone from the incoming council will need to be trained to take this role.	
4.19.8.5	Environment: Cllr.Symes has investigated a footpath through the Novington Sandpit which presently follows the wrong line. Apparently an application is with ESCC to move the path and the PC should get an opportunity to comment on this.	
4.19.8.6	Community events/facilities: The annual village event will be on June 29th	
4.19.8.7	Community Care: Cllr.Funnell will give the defibrillator to Bruce to install at the Jolly Sportsman	
4.19.8.8	Highways and items for SLR meetings: There are still concerns over traffic exiting Honeypot lane without stopping and colliding with traffic on South Road/Novington Lane. There was another collision recently. Cllr.Tingle has managed to get ESCC to install a larger Give Way sign and will see if additional measures – such as SLOW or STOP markings could be installed on the road.	
4.19.8.9	Verges: Nothing to report	
4.19.9	Any reports from meetings attended by councillors or the clerk- None	
4.19.10	Council noted all correspondence received since last meeting.	
4/19/11	Update on proposals for devolution of land at Hollycroft. LDC Cabinet have met and agreed devolution of the Hollycroft field to ECPC and are preparing a report on the title of the land , which they will send to ECPC. The parish council agreed to appoint Mayo Wynne Baxter to act on their behalf as necessary. LDC is currently cutting the grass around Hollycroft, playground and football pitch. However, as with last year, the main field has not been cut. Clerk was asked to arrange for a cut in the next two weeks as an interim measure in advance of the Parish Party. With devolution, a committee will be established to manage this and other elements of maintenance of the land at Hollycroft'	Clerk
4/19/12	Council discussed any possible future developments on land owned by Eton Estates Cllr Nurse made an initial inquiry to a contact associated with Eton College (which owns 527 acres of East Chiltington and adjacent parishes land). Cllr Nurse had enquired whether they would be interested in selling some of the land, but was advised that this would only be considered if parcels of land were small. Anything less than 150 acre parcels would <i>not</i> be considered for agricultural rates. Eton College view the land as a long term investment at present, but because the LDC documents describe the East Chiltington area as “land between Plumpton & Chailey” it would be kept under review by the parish council to ensure that LDC is aware when updating their 2014 joint statement with Eton that most of the land is in East Chiltington	
4/19/13	Council considered the Data protection requirements This will be included on the next agenda	
4/19/14	Items to note or for a future agenda The Annual parish council meeting will take place on May 13 th at 7.00pm in the church but the meeting will not be quorate so no business will take place.	
4/19/15	The 2019 meetings of the PC will be: Mon 8th July, Mon 9th Sept, Mon 4th Nov all in the committee room, Plumpton Village Hall. Future council meetings will start at 7.30pm	

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

JT 24/4/2019

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

Glossary:

LDC – Lewes District Council

SDNPA - South Downs National Park Authority

ESCC - East Sussex County Council

AIRS – Action in Rural Sussex

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

ECAG – The East Chiltington Action Group