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DRAFT minutes of the meeting of EAST CHILTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
 held on **9th March 2020** at 7.30pm in the Committee room, Plumpton Village Hall

Present: Cllr.M.Symes, chair
 Cllr.C.Funnell,vice chair
 Cllr. P.David
 Cllr. M.Durham
 Cllr.M.Goodenough

Apologies: Cllr.R.Nurse

In attendance: Mrs J.Toomey - Clerk to the Council. LDC Cllr.Rob Banks. Mr.M.Elms

		Action
3/20/01 3/20/01.1	Any apologies for absence – Cllr. R.Nurse had sent apologies Council considered co-option to fill the vacancy on the council. Resident Mike Elms had expressed an interest in the role and the chair proposed that he should be co-opted. Seconded by Cllr.Funnell and agreed by all. Mr. Elms signed the acceptance of office and joined the council.	
3/20/02	Any questions from the public LDC Cllr.Rob Banks said he had followed up the Chailey school traffic survey with Rupert Clubb of ESCC, but was still awaiting a reply. Cllr.Goodenough said she had also asked ESCC for a copy of the risk assessment they had carried out, she had not received any reply. Cllr.Banks has raised the condition of verges and roads due to the rail work, with the contractors BAM Nuttall. The site manager agreed to a meeting on completion to look at repairs and re-instatement. Cllrs.Durham and David also to attend. Cllr.Banks will be visiting the Newhaven incinerator and the food and waste recycling plant if anyone would like to join a trip.	Cllr.Durham Cllr.David
3/20/03	Declaration of interest on any of the agenda items and update of interests. None	
3/20/04	Minutes of the meeting held on 6th January 2020 were agreed and signed	
3/20/05	Matters arising from last meeting Min no.1.20.05 Update on Footpath EC15 and thistle problem Novington Lane – Cllr.Nurse was not at the meeting. Clerk reported that the tenant farmer has cleared the route of the public footpath but it now ends at a high earth bund round the rail compound, forcing walkers through the thistles to get out.	Cllr.Nurse
3.20.6 3.20.6.1	Financial matters Council approved payment of the following invoices:	
	*Cheque No: 101038 Clerk salary/expenses January *Cheque No: 101039 £63.60 Room hire. Plumpton VH *Cheque No: 101040 £168.00 SALC councillor training x 2 *Cheque No: 101041 Clerk salary/expenses February *Cheque No: 101042 £1006.00 Mayo Wynne Baxter,devolution fees	
3.20.6.2	Council noted the current financial situation	
3.20.6.3	Council considered the appointment of an internal auditor for 2020 and agreed to appoint Steve Brentnall.	
3.20.7 3.20.7.1	Planning Matters: (P&E committee: Chair, Cllr.Nurse, Cllr.Durham) Current applications:	

3.20.7.2	<p>SDNP/19/06100/HOUS Kemps Cottage Novington Lane -Demolition of a lean-to boot room structure and the development of a single storey workspace outbuilding – no objection</p> <p>SDNP/19/05837/HOUS The Grange Novington Lane - Creation of swimming pool, pool house and a single storey rear extension at host property -<i>no objection</i></p> <p>Council noted decisions made by LDC and SDNP:</p> <p>LW/19/0872 North Barnes Farm, North Barnes Lane -Proposed roof over existing manure store - <i>granted</i></p> <p>LW/19/0867 Yokehurst Farm Mill Lane East Chiltington - Construction of a replacement outbuilding for domestic storage – <i>granted</i></p> <p>SDNP/19/05837/HOUS The Grange Novington Lane - Creation of swimming pool, pool house and a single storey rear extension at host property – <i>granted</i></p>	
3.20.8	<p>To consider councillor roles and any reports:</p> <p>TECT: There will be a session of tree planting on Sunday 15th March at 10.30am. Three disease resistant Elms have been planted in the TECT field and two in Hollycroft. TECT has offered a grant of £500 to the parish council towards the maintenance of Hollycroft during 2020. The council sent their thanks.</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding removal of a length of hedge to make an access gap from Hollycroft to the allotments. This was done without consent and Cllr.David will raise this at the TECT meeting.</p> <p>There was a discussion about the flooding of gardens in Hollycroft and provision of a ditch in the TECT field. This is ongoing.</p> <p>Finance & Staffing: Cllr.David had nothing to report</p> <p>Communications/website: Cllr.Goodenough has been updating the site and asked for a photo of Cllr.Elms.</p> <p>Parish magazine report: Cllr.Funnell would like any news councillors wish to be included as some months it's hard to find enough to fill the space.</p> <p>Environment and waste: Cllr.Nurse arranged a successful litter pick on Sunday 8th.March and Cllr.Funnell provided refreshments for volunteers, LDC collected the waste on 9th. Cllr.David had spoken to a resident who wishes to trim some dead branches from an Oak at Hollycroft. The council has no objection provided the work is carried out correctly.</p> <p>Chair had nothing more to report on the proposed diversion of FP 20 – Novington Sandpit.</p> <p>Community Care: Cllr.Funnell had nothing special to report. Council will put a link on the website for information on the Coronavirus.</p> <p>Highways, verges and SLR meetings: Cllr.Durham & Cllr.Goodenough had nothing extra to report. Cllr.Durham had spoken to the tenant farmer about the tree cutting in Highbridge and surrounding lanes and the amount of large branches left on the road and passing places and the damage done to trees. Council thanked Cllr.Durham for the time he spent tidying up the area on behalf of residents.</p>	<p>Cllr.David</p> <p>Cllr.Elms</p> <p>Cr.Goodenough</p>
3.20.9	<p>Any reports from meetings attended by councillors or the clerk:</p> <p>Cllr.Funnell attended a meeting of the Lewes District Association of Local Councils (Ldale). Rupert Clubb, ESCC was there and said potholes should be repaired within 28 days once reported to ESCC. Verge damage should be reported via. The Highways steward – Robert.Stevens@eastsussexhighways.com.</p> <p>Cllr.David and Cllr.Goodenough attended training through SALC and offered to circulate their notes to any interested councillors.</p>	
3.20.10	<p>Council noted all correspondence received since last meeting.</p> <p>Council discussed a letter raising concerns over the condition of the track through North Barnes Farm. A cyclist had fallen due to damaged concrete under deep water. This is a route many from East Chiltington use in order to access Plumpton for shop, school or station. Cllr.David said he has had problems cycling through. Council understands there is no duty of care toward the safety of cyclists on bridleways but this does cover the safety of horse riders who may also be at risk. Clerk was asked to raise this with ESCC. Council discussed bringing issues with the bridleway, the branches left on verges, the thistle problem and tractors damaging verges, to the attention of the landowner or their agent.</p> <p>A request for funding was received from the Air Ambulance. All requests will be considered in September. Cllr.Banks said the Air Ambulance collects crisp packets to raise funds: Recycle Schemes in support of AAKSS - Air Ambulance Kent Surrey Sussex</p>	Clerk

3/20/11	Update on devolution of land at Hollycroft. Devolution is now completed. The East Chiltington Action Group has very kindly covered the cost of the solicitor used to complete the transfer. The mowing contract has been issued. A safety inspection of the playground has been ordered from Andy Frost at LDC. Cllr.David will carry out regular inspections (clerk to provide details of what to look out for). Local residents have offered to empty the waste bin. A resident had contacted Cllr.Funnell regarding the state of the grass at the entrance to Hollycroft. A lorry and a range Rover are parked on the grass and have churned it into a muddy mess which extends round to the parish notice board. Clerk said it is almost impossible for her to access the board without wellingtons now. Cllr.David will speak to the resident responsible to try and get a solution.	Cllr.David Cllr.David
3/20/12	Any possible future developments on land owned by Eton Estates Cllr.Nurse was not at the meeting	
3/20/13	Council considered any celebrations for VE day on May 8th and agreed to work with Hamsey parish council to arrange for lighting of the Beacon.	Cllr.Durham Cllr.David
3/20/14	Council considered the data protection and website accessibility requirements. .Cllr.Goodenough will take a look at the accessibility requirements for the PC website – these come into force in September. Clerk has provided the details.	Cllr.Goodenough
3/20/15	Council considered listing any assets of community value. A resident has offered to look at the forms for this. Clerk to supply.	Clerk
3/20/16	Items to note or for a future agenda To note that the Annual Parish meeting for residents will take place on May 11th at 7pm prior to the annual council meeting. To note that residents have heard that due to the bad weather the railway work is unlikely to finish at the end of February but could be ongoing until May. Council has received verbal complaints regarding the level of lighting on the site at night Cllr.Banks asked for signatures on the petition to remove parking charges from Plumpton and Cooksbridge stations. - www.change.org/p/govia-thameslink-and-southern-railway-scrap-planned-parking-charges-at-plumpton-and-cooksbridge-stations/dashboard Cllr.Banks gave details for the PCSO: www.police.uk/sussex/ES1NH3/team/jack-willson	Chair
3/20/17	Meetings for 2020 will be: 11 th May, 6 th July, 7 th Sept. and 2 nd Nov. all in the committee room, from <u>7.30pm</u> . Plumpton Village Hall	

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

JT 10/3/2020

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

Glossary:

LDC – Lewes District Council
ESCC - East Sussex County Council
SSALC – Surrey and Sussex Association of Local Councils
TECT – The East Chiltington Trust
CPRE – Campaign for the Protection of Rural England
ECAG – The East Chiltington Action Group
SDNPA - South Downs National Park Authority
AIRS – Action in Rural Sussex
LDALC – Lewes District Association of Local Councils