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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EAST CHILTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
 held on 7th July 2016 at 7.00 pm in Beechwood Hall, Cooksbridge.

Present: Cllr. E.Harrison - Chair **Apologies:** Cllr.S.Israel Cllr. J.Fleming
 Cllr.C.Funnell - Vice chair
 Cllr.M.Webber Cllr.C.Farmelo
 Cllr.J.Tingle

In attendance: Mrs J.Toomey - Clerk to the Council. LDC Cllr.S.Osborne. 1 member of the public.

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07/16/01	Apologies for absence – as above, noted and accepted by the council. Council considered co-option to fill a council vacancy . Following the resignation of Cllr.Webber, a Vacancy Notice was published on 13 May 2016. There being no request that an election be held, council agreed to co-opt Simon Clarke to fill the vacancy. Proposed by the chair, seconded by Cllr.Farmelo and agreed by all, Mr.Clarke signed the acceptance of office declaration, completed the register of members interests and joined the council.	
07/16/02	Any questions from the public Cllr.Osborne said LDC are finding it difficult to move forward because of the hiatus in central government. She was asking residents to comment on proposed changes to waste/recycling collections in the district and will forward details to the clerk to be added to the community website. She has raised concerns about the possible loss of East Chiltington Forge and the loss of rural employment, with LDC.	Cllr.Osborne
07/16/03	Declaration of interest on any of the agenda items and update of interests. None	
07/16/04	Minutes of the annual meeting held on 4th May were agreed and signed as a true record.	
07/16/05	Matters arising from last meeting - None	
7.16.6	Financial matters Council approved payment of the following invoices: Cheque No: 917 £ Spoilt cheque *Cheque No: 918 £ 310.55 Clerk salary/expenses May *Cheque No: 919 £ 219.17 CAS services. Insurance *Cheque No: 920 £ 45.00 Le Bureau. Printing *Cheque No: 921 £ 298.53 Clerk salary/expenses June	
7.16.6.1	Council noted the current financial situation	
7.16.6.2	Council considered a request for grant funding from the Springett & Campion trust. Chair proposed a grant of £200, seconded by Cllr.Farmelo and agreed by all,	
7.16.7	Planning Matters:	
7.16.7.1	To discuss any current application: LW/16/0328 Mount Pleasant, Highbridge Lane, BN73QY. Provision of new crossover – <i>no objection but council raised concerns over the development</i>	
7..16.7.2	Council noted decisions made by LDC: LW/16/0180 Land South Of Chiltington House, Chiltington Lane - Creation of ponds (part retrospective), provision of buildings and a supervisory dwelling to service a fish farm - <i>withdrawn</i>	

	LW/16/0255 North Hall Novington Lane East Chiltington East Sussex BN7 3QS - Section 73a retrospective application for the amendment of approved application reference LW/15/0808 (Demolition of part of existing property, and erection of new ground and first floor extensions, new roof, internal alterations and external landscaping) and the demolition of existing house retaining only the south façade – <i>granted</i>	
7.16.8	Report from The East Chiltington Trust There will be apple pressing and a harvest supper on October 15 th . No update on community use of the church or the removal of pews to enable church use for meetings.	
07/16/09	Any reports on current issues and meetings attended by councillors or the clerk Waste & minerals, Highways : Nothing to report LDALC: Cllr.Tingle attended 23rd May and said the meeting was well attended Finance: Nothing to report Footpaths, Rights of Way: vacant Springett & Campion trust: No report SDNP: Nothing to report	
7.16.10	Council noted all correspondence received since last meeting. Cllr.Tingle and Cllr.Funnell both requested details of the tree grant.	clerk
07/16/11	Update on the Village green application / SDNP Local green spaces SDNP have confirmed receipt of the application for green space designation but warn that designation is unlikely if the landowner objects. More evidence of the historical use of Hollycroft Field was recovered from the Keep. There will be a meeting with LDC on July 8 th to discuss the position. LDC have now employed a barrister and the East Chiltington Action Group have said they would be prepared to give a grant to the PC to cover the cost of also employing a barrister. The chair proposed that providing ECAG offer a grant to cover the cost, the parish council would seek to appoint a barrister to represent them for the Village Green application. Seconded by Cllr.Funnell and agreed by all. The chair also proposed that the parish council should join the Environmental Law Foundation in order to take advantage of their network of legal representatives, the cost would be £60. Seconded by Cllr.Funnell and agreed by all.	Chair
07/16/12	Update on production of a Local Landscape Character Assessment Survey sheets are available from Steve Toomey or the clerk to the PC. As many residents and visitors as possible are asked to complete the survey so the team can use these as evidence for the planning document. A mass village walk and picnic is planned to start from the Hollycroft Field at 10.30am on October 10 th , to end with a picnic.	
7.16.13	To consider purchasing a smaller marquee for parish events. The parish council had received the offer of two excellent modern marquees which could be used when an event did not need the use of the large old marquee. Cllr.Farmelo suggested these be purchased at a cost of £120, this was agreed by all.	
07/16/14	Any update on boundary signs/village gateways in Honeypt Lane Clerk was still waiting for the promised quote from ESCC despite calling them regularly. Cllr.Tingle will write a letter of complaint on behalf of the PC. Clerk to circulate for approval and send.	Cllr.Tingle Clerk
07/16/15	To consider the condition of Novington Lane verges Council discussed the responses from ESCC and suggestion of bollards from Maria Caulfield. Cllr.Funnell met with LDC but received the reply that there was no funding for improvements. Council felt bollards would be not in keeping with the area.	
07/16/16	Any update from CTLA community transport meeting July 1st Council thanked the two residents who had attended and agreed that the service needs to be publicised more widely. CTLA provide transport on demand for anyone who needs it..	
07/16/17	Items for noting or inclusion on a future agenda. To note that councillor roles will be considered at the September meeting To note the parish conference 2016 will be 6-9pm October 12 th , Pelham House To note the ESCC conference 2016 will be on 29 th Sept.	
07/16/18	The next meetings of the parish council will be : Thursday July 7th, Thursday September 8th, Thursday November 10th All at Beechwood Hall. All to commence at 7.00pm	

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Meeting closed at 8.40pm

JT 11/7/2016

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