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Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 24th July 2008

Present Adrian Thompson (Chairman), Paul Richardson, Ray Corstin, Sibylla Tindale, Simon Wood
In Attendance Georgina Mercer (Parish Clerk) and three residents of the village.
Apologies Cllr David Davis, Cllr Jen Powell and Cllr Jenny Wicks.

Declaration of personal or prejudicial interests registered: None.

Item

Action

1823 **Minutes of the meeting of 19 June 2008**

The Minutes were signed by the Chairman as correct.

1824 **Matters arising**

- a. Item 1814d, 1804d, 1794d, 1791. Sycamore in Sawpit Lane. It was reported that GM had spoken to GBC and GBC will arrange for a tree consultant who assists the planning team to contact ECPC. GM
- b. Item 1814e, 1804f, 1799. Clandon Manor Farm. It was reported that a response has been received from Natural England advising that an inspection will take place within 21 days. It was noted that Roy Brown had inspected the field yesterday and that the field was strimmed today. It was noted that the common ragwort has not been hand pulled and the spear thistles have not been cut. GM to report back to Natural England. In relation to the cutting down of the conifer trees, PR to review original plans. GM/PR
- c. Item 1814f, 1804g, 1801. Proposed removal of saltbox on corner of new road. Ray Corstin has assessed the salt box and it has been decided to leave it in its present position and condition.
- d. Item 1814h, 1804j, 1802f. Snelgate verges. It was reported that SW has been mowing the verges, which are now in a good state to be handed over to Jim. RC to ask Roger Nickolds to speak to Jim in relation to mowing the Snelgate verges. RC
- e. Item 1814i, 1804k, 1802j. Hedge owned by New Manor Farm. It was reported that the hedge has been cut back.
- f. Item 1814j, 1802a. Village pond. It was agreed that ECPC would take up David Smither's quote. The work will be carried out in Oct/Nov and will include 2 days work, at a total cost of £400. RC to ask Roger to speak to Jim (in relation to Jim helping with the cleaning of the pond). ECPC to apply for work to be covered by concurrent functions grant. RC
- g. Item 1822b. It was reported that the Toro Tractor has been sold to a resident of the village for £250.

1825 **Financial Report**

- a. Current account: £519.67 Deposit account: £1,083.29.
- b. Annual accounts GM advised that the annual accounts submission process was on schedule.

- 1826 **Planning Reports**
- a. Planning applications
Nutberry Fruit farm – GM has emailed SCC.
BT phone box – GM to write to GBC to express views of councillors and members of the village who had responded to consultation email. It was noted that the general view was to keep the phone box. GM
- Conservation area – AT has drafted an email to go to village and will circulate if no changes are suggested by other councillors. AT
- Paragon Cottages – new application for planning permission received and circulated to councillors for comments.
- b. Enforcement.
Hill Top Farm – GM reported that an update had been received from GBC.
- 1827 **Star Energy progress report**
PR reported that SCC have given permission for the drilling at Albury. BERR have given permission for a full application in relation to storage to be made. PR
No further update. It was reported that PR has drafted a letter to National Trust which he will circulate for comments.
- 1828 **New Village Bench**
It was reported that the quote for the new “Abinger” bench from Norbury Park had been agreed by the resident of the village. GM to order bench. GM will chase up the quotation for the bench base from J.W.Patrick. GM
- 1829 **Risk Assessments**
Councillors to submit risk assessments to GM on an ongoing basis. PR reported that possible work to be carried out on westbound bus shelter and that both bus shelters need de-weeding. ST reported that the Cherry tree on the common also needs to be trimmed back. ST will action this. ST
- 1830 **Any other business**
- a. Hatchlands. Simon has tried to contact Hatchlands, but has not yet had a response. SW to speak with/draft letter to Hatchlands to invite them to meet with members of ECPC to discuss various issues, including fishing and walking permits. SW
- b. Clandon Regis Golf Club – RC to contact Clandon Regis Golf Club. RC
- c. Clandon Parish Magazine/ ECPC website - It was reported that this was ongoing and that a meeting would be arranged with Peter Smart. RC
- d. Concurrent Functions – we have received the grant aid application from Geoff Nutt at GBC for 2009/10. GM to email village and AT to email RC. GM
- e. Kissing Gate – it was decided that this would be considered for the concurrent functions grant.
- f. Tools – RC, PR and RN to review. RC/PR
- In the absence of further business the meeting closed.

**Date of next meeting:
Thursday 11th September 2008**

Georgina Mercer, Parish Clerk
24 July 2008

