**GREAT EASTON AND TILTY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 26TH APRIL 2018**

**AT GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllrs John Lewis (Chairman) - David Rowland (Vice Chairman) - Terry Francis - Clair Southon – Tristan Martens – Cecile Down - Julia England

**Clerk:** Wendy Hall

**Residents/Guests:** Audrey Miller, Brian Miller, Stan and Joan Sutherland, Colin & Jill Stevens, Kate Rixson, Jacky Booth.

1. **Welcome**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone attending.

1. **Apologies for absence**

Paul Kelly, Cllrs Simon Walsh and John Freeman

1. **Declaration of Members Interests**

John Lewis S.S.E – David Rowland S.S.E, C.A.B, Friends of Five Parishes

Tristan Martens S.S.E, Essex Wildlife Trust.

1. **Minutes of Last Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held 29th March 2018, having been circulated prior to the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

1. **Matters Arising NOT on the Agenda**

Nothing to Report

1. **Public Forum**

Nothing to Report

1. **Village Hall**

Receipts for the Village Hall this month were £1773.50, this included the £810.00 outstanding from the Upholstery Class that was mentioned in the last minutes. Expenditure amounted to £201.02.

1. **Website Update**

Website is now up and running, this is being updated by Julia England and all is going well. David Rowland requested that any useful photos are sent to Julia so they can be added to the website.

1. **Hogweed Spraying**

John Lewis had received a letter from a resident in Abbey View, Duton Hill regarding area of Hogweed in the Burns Playing Field. These areas by the rope swing, along the river bankand around the bridge have now been treated with Roundup.

Tristan Martens has sprayed the river side in Brocks Mead up to Butchers Pasture.

A second spray will be required in 4 weeks time.

Frank Bennett has been approached and is willing to treat the Hogweed on his land.

Tristan has liaised with Chris Trembath on spraying the Hogweed on his land with a non glycophosphate product (Neudorf).

1. **The Annual Governance Statement 2017/18**

Audrey Miller advised that this had been completed and all Councillors agreed that this was up to date and can be sent to Julia to update the website.

1. **Adoption of Accounts**

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1. **Reports from Representatives**

**Planning**

UTT/18/0866/HHF Harvey’s Barn, Wolsey’s Chase No Objections

 Erection of Three Bay Cart Lodge

UTT/18/1036/HHF Orchard View, Gallows Green Rd No Objections

 Section 73 Erection of Detached

 Outbuilding No Objections

UTT/18/0886/FUL Land Adj Maltings Bridge, Muscombes

 Lane – Erection of 1No. Dwelling Letter sent against Approval

A discussion was had regarding the above planning application at Maltings Bridge. Kate Rixson a neighbour to the property addressed the councillors with her objections and provided maps and pictures of the proposed dwelling, she stated that this was a site intended for grazing and the erection of a dwelling would have a massive impact on wildlife. Cecile Down agreed and also stated that it would also have an impact on the traffic on Tilty Lane which is protected, she also stated that this field had been pasture since Abbey times.

After a discussion a vote was called for, results were 3 in favour, 5 against. John Lewis to write a letter of objection.

 **Planning Applications Determined**

 UTT/18/0346/FUL Chelmers, Dunmow Road Approved 17/04/18

 UTT/18/0302/LB Snow Hill Cottage, Duton Hill Approved 04/04/18

**Playing Fields**

 Clair Southon advised that the security gate would be installed in the playing fields next weekend

**Footpaths**

Cecile Down advised of an incident that involved the bulls belonging to Tom Trembarth that are kept bottom road of Tilty, she stated that it is against the law to keep these animals near a footpath. Tristan to look up the law and speak to Chris/Tom Trembarth regarding this.

**River Interest**: Nothing to Report

**Road Safety/Highways**

 As stated in the last set of minutes the traffic police were contacted, as yet there has been no reply, Wendy to Hall to chase up.

Stan Sutherland asked if there had been any more news on moving the speed limit sign at Maynard House, after the previous reply from John Freeman noting more has been agreed, John Lewis will send an email to John Freeman to see if there is any more to report.

**Airport**

 John Lewis advised that the response period on the MAG application to increase passenger numbers

 from 35mppa to 43mppa had been extended to the 30th April.

 The Parish Council have already submitted their response.

 Buried within the application of approx. 3000 pages, MAG have sought to have the “prevention of

 lobbying the government” condition lifted to enable them to increase night flights.

 This was part of the section 106 agreement that was granted when the airport successfully applied to increase passenger numbers from 15mppa to 25mppa in 2003.

**Clerks Correspondence**

 An email was read out from Peter Sanders thanking the Parish Council for their £1000.00 donation.

 **Expenses**

Cheques since the last meeting - SSE Donation £1000.00, 2 x Grass Cutting £900.00,

MP Curtis £102.00, EALC £210.15, EON £29.30. First half of Precept £12,500.00 received on 10/04/18 second half due in September 2018.

**Any Other Business**

 John Lewis advised that an invitation had been sent from Uttlesford to send a representative to discuss

 Affordable housing, it was agreed to accept the invitation and invite them to a meeting in June or July.

Tristan Martens said that he had been approached by Rae O’Malley asking if we would like to donate £100.00 for bulbs to go on the grass verges in Great Easton, Tilty and Duton Hill, bulbs would be purchased and distributed for any volunteers to plant them – donation was agreed Tristan to advise who to make cheque payable to.

Tristan also advised that he had been approached regarding screens being put up to broadcast the Royal Wedding and FA Cup this was agreed and will also be added to website.

Parish Council have received information regarding Gigaclear Broadband this to be discussed with Paul Kelly at the next meeting.

There being no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm

**Date of Next Meeting Thursday 31st May 2018 – AGM 7.30pm followed by normal meeting at Great Easton Village Hall**

**Chairman……………………………………………………Date……………………………………………**