**PRESENT:**

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Margaret Holden (Vice Chairman), Mark de Pass, Graham Cooper, Colin Sibun, Anna Patterson, Beverley Helps and Pauline Archer (Clerk)

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

None

**2/3 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN**

In order to maintain continuity Cedric Hollinsworth was proposed as Chairman by Colin Sibun and seconded by Margaret Holden. All in agreement

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All in agreement.

**4. COMPLETION OF REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS AND DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

Welcome to Beverley Helps New Councillor. The Clerk reminded all new and existing Councillors that the Registration of Interests needed to be completed online, and that existing details needed to be kept up to date.

Declaration of Acceptance completed by all Councillors and signed in the presence of the Clerk.

**5. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Margaret Holden in relation to the Application 17/04068/TCA Holy Trinity Church

**6. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6th April 2017 having been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**7. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A discussion took place about a near miss with a child coming out of school. The Principal was aware, and she had spoken to the parent concerned and all children at the school had been reminded of the dangers of the road. Parish Councillors expressed some concern over the visibility of children exiting from the far entrance was did not have good site lines. It was agreed that Colin Sibun would have a discussion with the Principal.

**8. APPROVAL OF PARISH COUNCIL INSURANCE ORGANISED BY COMMUNITY FIRST**

A query was raised about the 2 items listed under playground Public liability. The Clerk confirmed that this premium related to the two items in the Playground and was mandatory.

All agreed the renewal of the premium.

**9. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERION ENDING 31ST MARCH 2017**

The Chairman read through all the items listed in the Annual Governance Statement which forms part of the Audit requirements for the financial period ending 31st March 2017. (Statement circulated to all Councillors)

All members of the Parish Council were satisfied that the Council complied with the requirements.

The statement was signed by the Chairman and the Parish Clerk.

**10. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PAYMENT £788.28 (72 Easton Royal)**

It was suggested that these funds could be used towards a new Notice board in the Village for use by the Parish Council and other Community groups.

It was agreed that Anna Patterson would look into the criteria for the use of this payment, and it was proposed to discuss the intended use of the monies at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**11. PLANNING**

**Existing Applications outcomes:**

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| 17/01537/FUL | Easton Manor. Demolish machinery store replace with oak framed machinery store | Revised plans Approved. |
| 17/03174/TCA | Easton Manor Various tree works including felling 3 horse chestnuts | (Referred to tree officer)No Objection |
| 17/03565/TCA | Priory cottage Various tree works | No Objection |
| 17/02301/TCA | Waverley Cottage various tree works | No Objection |
| 17/02266/TCA | PC Lime tree by Post Box | No Objection |
| 17/02192/TCA | The Old Rectory trees works | No Objection |

**New Applications since last meeting:**

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| 17/04068/TCA | Holy Trinity Church PCC Fell various Yew trees and prune others | To be discussed**\*** |

**\***It was agreed that Anna Patterson would discuss with the Churchwarden the concerns raised over the removal of the trees at the front of the Church. These trees appear to be healthy and there was concern over the visual impact of the removal of these. It was recommended that this be highlighted at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**12. FINANCE:**

**Payments made:**

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| GB Sport (playground ground hooks) | £45.60 |
| Carer support Wiltshire donation | £20.00 |

**Payments to approve:**

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| Wiltshire Association of Local Councils /NALC subs | £101.86 |
| Bobby Van trust donation | £20.00 |
| Parish Council Insurance | £310.68 |
| Bawdens Tree works | £286.20 |
| Bawden grass Cutting (1) | £213.83 |

**Payments received:**

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| CIL Payment (new build 72 Easton Royal) | £788.28 |
| Wiltshire Council Precept | £6,150.00 |

**13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Parish Councillors had been made aware of an issue of sheep husbandry, and a strong unpleasant smell. It was suggested that any concerns could be raised anonymously with the RSPCA.

A discussion took place about old Parish Council documents, some of which are of historic interest. It was agreed that that History Society could help with achieving of these, and that some papers should be culled. Beverley Helps to liaise with Liz Johnson.

**14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 25th May 2017 Annual Parish Meeting.

Meeting closed 21:10