

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EARL SOHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 9th May 2016 at 7.30pm

AT EARL SOHAM VILLAGE HALL

Present:, Cllrs Richard Tinkler (Chair) John Hulme, (Vice Chair) Andrew Patterson, Lucy Murrell, , Celia Peacher, Mark Rutherford, Chris Pratt,

Jane Page (Clerk)

Public: None were present

The Minutes are in the order of the Agenda:

1. To elect Chairman – and Signing of Declaration of Acceptance - Richard Tinkler was nominated as Chair by Cllr Peacher seconded by Cllr Murrell and Declaration of Acceptance was signed

1.1 To elect Vice Chair - and Signing of Declaration of Acceptance - John Hulme was nominated as Vice Chair by Cllr Pratt seconded by Cllr Patterson and Declaration of Acceptance was signed

1.2 Councillors to sign Declaration of Acceptance of Office - Both above councillors signed Acceptance forms

2. Apologies – to accept apologies for absence - Cllrs Barrow and Grose

3. Declarations of Interest - none

4. To consider confirming the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 14th March - the Minutes were confirmed and signed

5. An opportunity for the public to make comments

6. Matters for debate

6.1 Signing of Audit document - a) Accounting statements - these were confirmed and signed
b) Annual Governance statement - these were confirmed and signed

6.2 Internal Audit report - The accounts reconciled and various reminders about the Transparency requirements have been noted. It was suggested we publish Agenda's but these are already published but maybe not as visible on the website as could be - the webmaster to be requested to see if this can be remedied.

6.3 Adoption of revised Financial regulation to include 2015 Public Contracts Regulations - The Financial Regulations have been updated to include these regulations and Standing Order 77 has been amended accordingly - both these were adopted by full council

6.4 Anglian Water Pollution Watch campaign - Cllrs decided that incidents be dealt with if/as they arise and that they would not join the campaign

6.5 Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies publication for representation - as per previous meeting a decision was made to request inclusion of extra land as conservation area. **ACTION** - Clerk to send in amended map to SCDC

6.6 Purchase of additional dog bin/s - **DECISION** was made to replace the dog bin previously moved from by the school **ACTION** - Clerk will facilitate purchase of one extra bin to be positioned near the school.

6.7 Barring of our elected councillor from planning decisions - Councillors were concerned that our elected councillor Christopher Hudson has been barred from representing us.

ACTION - Clerk to inform Democratic Services of these concerns with comments below agreed with councillors

"ESPC would like their concerns noted that it would appear to be contrary to democratic process that their elected councillor Cllr C Hudson is barred from voting on planning issues on their behalf"

7. Public forum

No members of the Public present

8. To hear reports from:

SCC - The sad death of Councillor Bellfield will bring about a by election later in the year

SCDC - full report was given in April

School (Headmaster)

9. Planning applications and Notifications

To consider any planning applications received by the date of the meeting where reasonable and practical to do so

DC/16/0956/LBC 16/0955/FUL The Willows - proposed side and rear extensions with associated fenestration (window) amendments - *no objections*

10. Correspondence since last meeting circulated to Councillors *emailed

Sizewell report*

Community Health workshops invite*

11. Financial matters and payments due:

Finance report up to May2016

Cheques for approval	Payee	Amount
	100728 Heelis and Lodge	66
	100729 Clerks expenses	47.17
	100730 D Peacher War Graves	15
	Total	128.17
Uncashed cheques		0
s/o deposit acc	D Peacher - Apr + May	125.79
s/o deposit acc	Clerk -Apr + May	486.97
Transfers		0
Income received	Grave inscription	10
	Memorial stone	40
	SCDC precept	3613
Bank interest		0

Before cheques paid	Current Account	286.27
	Business Account	4953.73

After payment	Current Account	158.1
	Business Account	*4953.73

plus bank interest

0

*does not include precept as
this does not show on current
statement

12. Reports

Footpaths by Stonewall farm have been cleared, exceptionally well. Thanks have been passed to Public Rights of Way

The ditch problem opposite the village hall is still outstanding and is being further pursued by SCC

Items to go forward to next Agenda

The Play Pot fund

The Meeting concluded at 8.10 p.m.

Signed

dated

Dates of next meetings: 2016 July 11th, September 12th, November 14th

