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Minutes of the meeting of the **Little Easton Parish Council** held in the **Memorial Hall** commencing 7:30pm on Wednesday **19th JULY 2017**

Present: Cllr Dodsley Cllr Rush Cllr Jones Cllr Wyatt
 Dist Cllr Foley
 Members of the public

17/58	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
	Cllr Hindley
17/59	DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR JULY MEETING
	None
17/60	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28 JUNE 2017 TO BE SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN
	Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Rush
	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION
	Agreed this should only include items unrelated to Easton Park, none were forthcoming
17/61	<p>LOCAL PLAN & EASTON PARK, RECEIVE UPDATE ON VARIOUS MEETINGS WITH UDC</p> <p>Cllr Dodsley reviewed the current status of the local plan; under Regulation 18 the plan is out for public consultation and comment between 12 July and 04 September with residents are urged to attend their local event being hosted by UDC at the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 26 July between 5pm and 8:30pm to view the proposals; members of the parish council will be in attendance. Read full details of the process and events via this link - https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/draftplan2017.</p> <p>Under Regulation 19, after consultation, the plan ultimately moves to an Inspector led Public Inquiry commencing sometime mid to late 2018.</p> <p>A group, to include, council members from Great Dunmow Town Council and Little Easton Parish Council are to attend a meeting at the UDC offices on 11 August to discuss ideas and suggestions.</p> <p>Cllr Wyatt suggested whilst a final decision had not been made, nevertheless, mitigation should be under consideration and discussed.</p> <p>Dist Cllr Foley commented on the draft plan from a District wide perspective whilst outlining justifiable reasons why he believed the Easton Park proposal should be vigorously opposed.</p> <p>Members of the public, some from the SEP action group, contributed to the discussions outlining various grounds upon which the proposals should be opposed along with their solid reasoning. It was highlighted that to mount a serious opposition to the proposals would</p>

	<p>require the appointment of Barristers and professionals / specialists in their field of planning related expertise and that this would not come cheap. To first seek professional opinions as to whether there is a case that can be won has an associated cost; thus financial support would need to be sought from many sources including collaboration with those parish councils and their communities in favour of opposing the Easton Park proposition.</p> <p>Those present were urged to engage with the Stop Easton Park action group and encourage others to do likewise.</p>
17/61.1	<p>CLARIFICATION OF THE PARISH COUNCIL POSITION ON EASTON PARK PROPOSAL Council position is one of OPPOSITION – Proposed Cllr Dodsley, Seconded Cllr Wyatt</p>
17/61.2	<p>CLARIFICATION OF PROPOSED ACTION SHOULD THE EP PROPOSAL BE OPPOSED Council proposes dedicated working group primarily formed from council members with an invited representative from the Stop Easton Park working group. Proposed Cllr Dodsley, Seconded Cllr Wyatt</p>
17/61.3	<p>SHOULD RESIDENTS BE CONSULTED TO GAIN CONSENSUS ON ACTION & SPENDING Following leafleting of the village twice, the Facebook and the Facebook and email communications campaigns, there are no further plans to have a specific consultation with residents on the consultation phase of the Local Plan. When asked, the members of the public attending the PC meeting were unanimously opposed to the development, Cllr Dodsley offered to develop a consultation form for the local event on the 26th July, asking residents attending the event whether (a) they were in favour of or opposed to the Local Plan proposals & (b) Whether they wished the Parish Council to oppose the plans on their behalf</p>
17/61.4	<p>DOES THE EASTON PARK ISSUE REQUIRE A DEDICATED WORKING GROUP Motion already carried in 17/61.2 and to be further discussed at an urgent Extraordinary Meeting of the council</p>
17/61.5	<p>WHAT MITIGATION SHOULD BE UNDER CONSIDERATION TO APPEASE THE PARISH Item to be moved for discussion at an urgent Extraordinary Meeting of the council</p>
17/61.6	<p>SHOULD BUDGET RESERVES BE SET ASIDE TO PROVIDE FOR PROFESSIONALS Council agreed in principle that reserves should be set aside, Proposed Cllr Dodsley, Seconded Cllr Jones</p> <p>COUNCIL RESOLVED TO HOLD AN URGENT EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING AGAINST AN AGENDA CONTAINING ITEMS COVERED UNDER 17/61</p>
17/62	<p>DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT Formed part of Item 17/61</p>
17/63	<p>CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>VACANCY – No replies to advertisement to date LAUNDRY LANE – Highways still to respond via online portal CARAVAN PARK LICENCE – Enforcement Officer visited site, spoke to Landlord, reminded them of regulations governing use of the field SALT BAG SCHEME – Council to join 2017 scheme - CLERK to advise Highways LOCKABLE CABINET – Due for delivery Friday 21 July</p>

	<p>GDTC CORRESPONDENCE – Circulated to members, will form part of Extraordinary General Meeting agenda</p> <p>ASSET REGISTER – Transparency Code requires details of council owned Land and Buildings assets to appear on the council website – CLERK to locate details and or contact Land Registry</p> <p>PLAY INSPECTION – The play inspection company has acknowledged receipt of order</p> <p>PLAY AREA – Residents confirmed willingness to be involved in council led consultation on future plans for the site and “equipment type” purchase, see item 17/66 Representatives Reports/Play Area</p> <p>FENCING – Resident advised gap in playingfield fence is allowing young cyclist to enter directly onto Manor Rd without having to use the car park entrance and thus risking a collision with vehicles using the roadway</p>
17/64	<p>FINANCE – RECEIVE JULY FINANCIAL STATEMENT & AGREE PAYMENTS – REVIEW PROGRESS OF ONLINE BANKING APPLICATION</p> <p>See Finance statement at Appendix A, Proposed Cllr Jones, Seconded Cllr Wyatt Cllr Jones to visit Bank to finalise online application process</p>
17/65	<p>PLANNING – REVIEW ANY APPLICATIONS FOR COMMENT</p> <p>None to review and comment</p>
17/66	<p>RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS:</p> <p>SPEEDWATCH Lockable cabinet for secure storage of equipment due for delivery this week</p> <p>WAR MEMORIAL Garden area now ready for final planting, proposed twelve shrubs, membrane between plants covered with ornamental chippings to minimise weed growth, purchase of plants and materials plus installation quoted at £400 – RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE GOODS AND APPOINT CONTRACTOR - Proposed Cllr Rush, Seconded Cllr Dodsley</p> <p>MEMORIAL HALL Newly appointed key holder Cllr Rush</p> <p>FOOTPATHS No report</p> <p>HIGHWOODS QUARRY Next meeting due December</p> <p>EMERGENCY PLANNING Plan no complete pending review and final approval</p> <p>PLAY AREA Council arranging meeting to seek input from residents on future plans for the area</p>
17/67	<p>REVIEW PROGRESS FOR COMMUNITY FUND RAISING EVENTS</p> <p>Summer Family Fun Day set for 13 August, full details to be circulated to residents - requires estimated budget of £150.00 – RESOLUTION TO AGREE BUDGET - Proposed Cllr Rush, Seconded Cllr Wyatt</p>
17/68	<p>DATE OF NEXT METING – 13 SEPTEMBER – CLOSE – 9:30pm</p>

Signed..... Date.....

APPENDIX A

Payment List JULY 2017											
Date	Payee	Description	Invoice No	Cq. No.	Account	Amount	Net	VAT	Ccentre	Ccode	Audit Box
19/07/17	I Brown	Expenses, Mileage 45p/M	N/A	101228	74159558	£4.50	£4.50	£0.00	Parish	Staff	4
19/07/17	I Brown	Salary	PAYE	101228	74159558	£306.32	£306.32	£0.00	Parish	Staff	4
19/07/17	I Brown	Stationary postage	N/A	101228	74159558	£0.98	£0.98	£0.00	Parish	Admin	6
19/07/17	MD Landscapes	Grass cutting	895	101229	74159558	£234.00	£195.00	£39.00	Parish	Grass	6
19/07/17	A&J Lighting	Annualised maintenance	30601	101230	74159558	£23.10	£19.25	£3.85	Parish	Admin	6
01/06/17	Nationwide	Transaction fees	BGC	N/A	74159558	£2.50	£2.50	£0.00	Parish	Admin	6
TOTAL						£571.40	£528.55	£42.85			
Account		Balance									
General Community 74159558		£17,889.16		Signed _____				Date _____			
Income				Minute Ref _____							
PARISH – 74159558											
PAYER	DESCRIPTION	METHOD	AMOUNT	Audit							
Bank	Gross Interest	BGC	£5.01	3							
HMRC	VAT	BACS	£1,921.16	3							
TOTAL			£1,926.17								