

EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL

**THE MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EWSHOT PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7 PM IN EWSHOT VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllr B Richey (Chairman), Cllr B Cranstone, Cllr S Cranstone, Cllr T Wells and Cllr G Bredin.

**In Attendance:** Cllr J Bennison (Hampshire County Council), Cllr J Radley (Hart District Council), Cllr A. Clarke, Garry Shelford (Clerk), Alison Ball (Clerk designate), 4 members of the public

**15/155 Apologies for Absence – None**

**15/156 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of Ewshot Parish Council of 10 August 2015 – approved**

**15/157 Matters arising from the Minutes**

- (a) Lengthman Scheme – monies still awaited
- (b) Road surface outside Church – remedial works awaited
- (c) Sandy Lane/Aldershot Road – junction re-opened

**15/158 Announcements from Chairman, Clerk and Members' Questions**

The Chairman welcomed Alison Ball, who joined the Council today in preparation for taking over as Clerk from Garry Shelford who is retiring on 30<sup>th</sup> September.

The Chairman also proposed a vote of thanks to Sue Freeman who has left her position as Assistant Clerk, for her hard work and dedication.

**15/159 District and County Council Report**

**District Council Report:-**

- (a) Bus Services - Cllr Radley told the meeting of the campaign to raise the profile – and usage of bus services and of the tea party on 19<sup>th</sup> September to launch the campaign.
- (b) Flood Reporting – A new appointee at HDC is seeking reports from any householder who has suffered flooding of their property in the recent periods of heavy rain
- (c) There is to be a new consultation on the management of the SANG, Cllr Radley has pointed out that representatives of both Church Crookham and Ewshot Parish Councils should be included in the discussions.

**County Council Report:-**

- (a) Lengthsmans Scheme – Cllr Bennison is to continue to pursue the payment
- (b) Traffic Management – The feasibility Study has now been presented to the Council and the QEB Transport Working Group in draft form. Councillors are to consider the proposals and respond to the Transport Steering Group.
- (c) Work will start on the new cycleway/footway along Ewshot Lane once the Crookham Cross Roads project (which is nearing completion) is finished.
- (d) Cllr Bennison reported a conversation with Steve Pellatt of Hampshire Highways from which he learnt of the very tight budget situation resulting in non-essential works (ie those which did not represent a safety hazard) such as the depression in the road surface outside St Mary's did not warrant repair work.

**15/160 Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensation – none**

**15/161 Public Participation – None**

**15/162 Planning**

*a)Ref: 15/02097/HOU 3 Broomhill, Ewshot, GU10 5BE*

*Extension to rear of building, new porch at front of building.*

Resolved: To make no objection. Proposed by Cllr S. Cranstone, seconded by Cllr B.

Cranstone, agreed unanimously.

*b)Ref: 15/01988/LDC Stillers Farm, Ewshot Lane, Ewshot GU10 5BT*

*Storage of builders plant and equipment and building materials*

Resolved: To Object. There is no supporting information provided to show that the site has been used for this purpose for 10 years. The location plan does not show very clearly the vehicular access to the site. Proposed by Cllr S. Cranstone, seconded by Cllr Bredin. Agreed unanimously.

*c)Ref: APP/N1730/X/15/3130878 Appeal against HDC refusal to permit.*

*Existing Dwelling House, Land at Keepers Cottage (Keepers Lodge) Farnham Road, Ewshot.*

Agreed that there was no reason to change the Council's response of 13 July 2015 (minute 1`5/121)

**15/163 Broomhill Survey Results.** *Resolved to delegate the Vice-Chairman – Cllr Bredin to form a working party to consider the results and to recommend action to the Council.* Proposed by Cllr Richey and seconded by Cllr Bredin. Agreed unanimously.

**15/164 Mrs Alison Ball.** Resolved: *To confirm the appointment of Mrs Alison Ball as Parish Clerk with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015* Proposed by Chairman, Cllr Richey, seconded by Cllr Wells and agreed unanimously.

**15/165 To receive and sign TR1 transfer documents in respect of land at Broomhill.** *The engrossed document having been verified against the draft by the Clerk in was proposed that it should be adopted, and signed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman on behalf of the Council .* Proposed by Cllr Richey, seconded by Cllr Wells and agreed unanimously. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman signed the TR1.

**15/166** Resolved to delegate the Clerk *to arrange for the bank mandate with Lloyds Bank Ltd to be amended to delete the present Clerk and add Mrs Alison Ball in his place.* Proposed by Cllr Richey, seconded by Cllr Wells and agreed unanimously.

**15/167** The Clerk confirmed that the contract to extend the village hall car had now been completed. All conditions of the planning consent had been fulfilled except for the replanting of a small section of the boundary hedge which had been removed to improve the sight lines at the entrance. This would be done as soon as the planting material was available – anticipated to be in October.

**15/168 To consider the quotation from Komplan Ltd to supply and install new play equipment in the children's play area and, if thought fit place an order.**

Cllr Bredin reported that he had further discussions with Komplan and agreed a number of amendments to the equipment to be supplied and a further reduction in their quotation to £56,030.22 plus VAT. Resolved: *To order equipment as per the Komplan quotation reference SQ 216040 V3 @ £56,030.22 plus VAT @ £11,206.04 installation beginning January 2016.* Proposed by Cllr Bredin, Seconded by Cllr B. Cranstone and agreed unanimously. *(Copies of the quotation & order are attached at Appendix A)*

**15/169 Report on Tennis Court Refurbishment.** The Clerk reported that the first and major phase of the refurbishment was now complete. Due to the lateness of the season the contractors were not able to complete the final stage – the colour coating. This would be don in the Spring of 2016. In the meantime, lines had been painted on the court and the net set up so that the court would be playable through the winter. The contractor had some final tidying up to do an would then leave the court unlocked from Friday 18<sup>th</sup>. September.

**15/170 IT Equipment.** The Clerk sought agreement to purchase a new laptop for his successor. The existing machine (5 years old) is increasingly unreliable and has already cost the council over £200 in repairs. Cllr Wells *proposed that £700 be allocated for the purchase of a new laptop and the appropriate software, seconded by Cllr Richey and agreed unanimously.*

**15/171 Payments**

The following payments were approved and cheques signed:

Wellers Hedley’s (Solrs) Interim Payment - Broomhill	193.20
Hart District Council – Dog Bins – Annual Charge	177.98
Firm Value payrolls Ltd September payroll	794.59
Ewshot Plant & Demolition Co – Carpark extension contract	21,426.00
Peter A Housden & Sons- 2 <sup>nd</sup> payment – tennis court refurbishment	7,980.00

**!5/172 Ewshot Traffic Calming Feasibility Study.** The report reached the Council in time to be circulated and read by Members but not studied or discussed in any depth. The Chairman proposed that a working group should be formed at the earliest opportunity to study the report and prepare a suitable response for the Council. This was agreed unanimously.

**15/173 Correspondence** The Clerk handed round copies of a guide published by the Hampshire Association of Local Councils setting out the extensive facilities provided for councillors by the Association. The Clerk had noted the copies with the username and password councillors would need to access the Association’s website.

**15/174 Any Other Business** The Clerk raised a number of matters to be settled before Mrs Ball took over the role. The Clerk and Clerk designate were delegated to provide solutions and report to the council.

**The Meeting ended at 8.05 pm**

**Signed B. Richey.....**

**Dated .....**