

Minutes of a Meeting of Elkstone Parish Council

7.30 p.m., Wednesday 17th April 2013, in Elkstone Village Hall

Present: Mr. Hobbs (Chair) Mssrs. Collins, Cooch, Luck, Muschamp; Mrs. Eyre (Clerk)

1. Minutes of the previous Meeting (20th March 2013) were accepted and signed.

3. Matters arising -

re item 6 of 13.02.13 - Clerk has just heard that the tenants of Crickley Hill Farm, compulsorily purchased by the Highways Agency in the early 1990s pending A417 improvements, have been given notice to quit.

3. Finance

3.1 Payment of accounts- there were none.

3.2 R.F.O.'s Report on Year to Date Income & Expenditure against Budget was accepted with thanks.

3.3 Mr. Cooch tabled a summary breakdown of the accounts, which all considered:

To approve the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2013

proposed: Mr. Muschamp; seconded: Mr. Collins; carried nem con.

3.4 the Annual Return, Part 1, was tabled and considered:

To approve the Annual Return Part 1

proposed: Mr. Luck; seconded; Mr. Muschamp; carried nem con.

3.5 Part 2 of the Annual Return – Governance, was tabled, considered item by item, and duly completed and signed.

3.6 Insurance renewal for 2013 -14 – Mr. Cooch reminded the Meeting that EPC is entering the third year of its current three-year contract, though a letter has recently been received from Aon (previous Insurers) offering a 30% reduction and other improved terms for renewal with them. Clerk to write asking Aon to repeat this offer in twelve months, in which case EPC would certainly consider it.

3.7 Mr. Cooch told the Meeting that additional information has been requested for the Annual Return, as EPC has again been randomly selected for a more in-depth examination. Clerk pointed out that it could amount to approaching 200 pages of photocopying, and some requested information appears irrelevant at this time, particularly the request for the Standing Orders (EPC adopted the NALC standard model in 2007)

Clerk to contact Grant Thornton and query this.

4. Planning Applications

4.1Elkstone Court, application to renew planning permission – noted CDC granted renewal

5. Correspondence from the Parish – there was none.

6. Other correspondence – was put into circulation

7. A.O.B. – there was none.

8. Date of next Meeting – Wednesday 22nd May at 8.00 p.m.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.50 pm