

Minutes of a Meeting of Elkstone Parish Council 8.00pm, Wednesday 18th July 2018, in Elkstone Village Hall

Present: Mr Hobbs (Chair), Mr Collins, Miss Gass and Ms Toase; Mrs Thorn (Clerk)
Apologies: Mr Cooch

1. **Minutes of the last Meeting** (16th May 2018) were accepted and signed.
2. **Matters arising** – there were none.
3. **Finance**
 - 3.1 **Payment of accounts**
 - 3.1.1 Invoice for installation of the defibrillator cabinet - £127.13 to approve the payment retrospectively. The cheque has already been written, signed and posted.
 - 3.1.2 Clerk's salary – May 2018 = £296.39 including tax refund of £38.00 and June 2018 = £138.98 - to approve salary payments for May and June retrospectively. The cheques for May and June have already been written, signed and hand delivered.
 - 3.1.3 Clerk's expenses – 3 months April to June 2018 – postage £4.15, stationery £6.19 for file dividers, document wallets and paper and percentage of phone/broadband charge £17.94 = £28.28. A cheque for £28.28 was written, signed and handed over.
 - 3.2 To consider a S 137 donation to EVHMC towards costs of Newsletter production: proposed Mr Collins; seconded Mr Hobbs
A cheque for £100.00 was written, signed and will be hand delivered.
 - 3.3 RFO's Report on Year to Date Income and Expenditure against Budget was received with thanks.
4. **Planning**
 - 4.1 18/01047/FUL – Ethridges, Elkstone: Noted CDC have granted permission for proposed single and double storey extensions and boundary wall.
 - 4.2 18/02276/FUL – Trout Farm, Cockleford Farm Cockleford: proposed erection of an agricultural building. This was discussed and the Councillors object to the proposed application on the basis of any building, other than of the original building size that was on the site. EPC are aware that there is an order to clear the site as it stands.
Clerk to submit comments to CDC.

5. Correspondence from the Parish

5.1 A Parishioner has made an enquiry regarding mowing of The Pound and EPC are grateful to the volunteers who quietly and without being asked assist with the maintenance of verges and other grassed areas around the village, give their time, and together contribute to maintaining a good appearance and a good impression of the village.

6. Other Correspondence – was put into circulation.

7. AOB

7.1 Thames Water have repaired the burst water mains but there have been further burst water pipes. If this continues to happen Thames Water may replace the whole pipe, subject to the relevant permissions.

7.2 PCSO Neighbourhood Coordination Meeting – 6th August.

7.3 Clerk to arrange a date, early evening on a Wednesday in September, for the Defibrillator Awareness Session for villagers to attend.

8. Public Session – no items were raised from the floor.

9. Date of next Meeting – Wednesday 19th September 2018

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.16pm.