

Minutes of a Meeting of Ellisfield Parish Council held in the Memorial Hall on Monday 30 June 2014	
Present	
Tim Guinness (Chair), Caroline Cazenove, Gavin Park-Weir, David Richards, Julian Wright (Vice-Chair), (Councillors)	
Apologies: Rose Taplin	
In Attendance	
Jacqueline Matthews (Clerk)	
8 members of the public	
1.	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Rose Taplin (working)
2.	To Receive Declarations of Interests on any matter on this Agenda: None
3.	Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 12 May 2014; Agreed and signed as a true record
4.	Matters Arising from the Minutes (for which no relevant Agenda Item is listed below). None
5.	<p>OPEN FORUM – PC Andy Reid sent apologies.</p> <p><i>Raoul Tufnell, Development Manager of BELECTRIC had been invited to attend the meeting, to enable Ellisfield residents to ask questions/raise concerns about the proposed development; BELECTRIC intend to apply for planning permission to construct and operate a 19MW Solar Farm on a 52 hectare (128 acres) at Manor Farm, Farleigh Wallop, adjacent to Farleigh Anaerobic Digester. Following his presentations, a number of points were raised by parish councillors and village residents including;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Maintaining the rural character of the boundaries, need for adequate landscaping as panels would be highly visible from roads, including suggestion that screening/planting on boundaries should take place in advance of construction to maximise growth potential.</i> • <i>Binding clause in planning consent safeguarding the use of the land for agricultural purposes following 25/30 year operational life of Solar Farm</i> • <i>Request to be kept briefed on the construction process</i> • <i>Compliance with planning conditions during construction phase, including number of construction vehicle journeys; suggestion of a form of self-imposed enforcement of construction timescales to avoid vehicle trips dramatically increasing should the construction period be shortened.</i> • <i>Construction traffic solution to avoid sensitive areas including: Hatchwarren, Beggarwood and Cliddesden; either use of farm track or a temporary M3 exit for construction purposes?</i> • <i>Satisfactorily address the issue of noise from the inverters - should not be above the background noise of the motorway.</i> • <i>Benefit to the local community to offset the loss of amenity, in addition to Belectric's Big60Million bond offering.</i> <p><i>To review change to single Open Forum 6 meetings after 12 May 2014</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>30 June 2014</i> 2. <i>.01 September 2014</i> 3. <i>.</i> 4. <i>.</i> 5. <i>.</i> 6. <i>.</i>

6.	<p>To receive an update on current Planning Applications and to consider any new Planning Applications: Written summary of current/recent planning applications in agenda: None</p> <p>Clerk confirmed that following email approval from councillors a reciprocal copy of TAG Farnborough consultation response had been sent to Herriard Parish Council.</p> <p>Also a response had been received from CAA to confirm they have received copy of EPC response to TAG Farnborough consultation and will assess the proposal for regulatory compliance in respect of safety, consultation, environmental impact and operational justification.</p>
7.	<p>To receive a report and approve any action needed on:</p>
i.	<p>Localism/HALC/Local business liaison</p> <p>Anaerobic Digester: Nothing new to report, Cllr Wright to continue to liaise with Chris Cooper regarding an Open Day, Clerk to send EPC bank details to Nick Lake, Barfoots Financial Director for payment of donation to Community Funds.</p> <p>Solar Farm: Cllr Guinness reported that John Laing Environmental Assets Group Ltd (JLEN) went public on March 31st. Recent email correspondence with Ben Pollock, Portfolio Manager - Renewable Energy, asking for BT phone numbers of the lines at the solar farm so we can see which Herriard green cabinet they are connected to as EPC working with BT to upgrade broadband in Ellisfield. BP responded that they would look into the question of the BT lines although it might take some time to get an answer.</p> <p>Also requested new contact details for request for community support. BP responded that regarding the management of the project, the arrangements are unchanged by the transfer to JLEN, and they continue as the asset manager on behalf of the company. Richard Caldarone is now the Contracts Manager and will table your funding request to the next Board meeting (July). Request to send through proposals for what the community funding is required for.</p> <p><u>It was discussed and agreed that Cllr Guinness would respond with a request for contributions to General Parish Council funds. Cllr Wright to establish who is likely to be making decisions.</u></p> <p>Telecoms mast (planting) etc. Nothing new to report</p> <p>Veolia site: Cllr Park-Weir confirmed he had received no further complaints from villagers regarding queuing lorries &/or litter from site. <u>Cllr P-W to arrange to visit site manager with Dee Haas before next meeting and to contact Veolia Environment Fund Managers to discuss provision of Manpower for village projects.</u></p>
ii.	<p>Highways: Community Speedwatch – see xii BDAPTC for Police & Crime Commissioner letter offering £1,000 to schemes</p> <p>Clerk reported several emails from Zani Robinson, Susie Deane, Pat Pegg, also Herriard Clerk and telephone conversation with Cliddesden Clerk regarding Community Speedwatch. It appears that Herriard getting 40mph at Bagmore Lane (Autumn 2014) – Herriard Clerk had reported no real problems in Herriard village where 30mph speed limit seems to be observed, Herriard Cllrs discussed and agreed not financially viable for Bagmore Lane. Cliddesden Clerk, Ron Darley thought there may be some councillors/residents who would be happy to get involved – traffic tubes just appeared near pond – to measure actual rather than perceived speeds.</p> <p><u>It was discussed and agreed for Clerk to confirm there is sufficient interest/volunteers in Ellisfield to undertake training and operate equipment on a regular basis and then Clerk to email a dozen surrounding village parish clerks to establish direct if any are interested in co-operating to share finance and perhaps a reciprocal arrangement to monitor speeds.</u></p> <p>Also, Clerk reported Church Lane – fallen tree – enormous root removed on Friday 06 June 2014 (just before Peter Chilton’s funeral).</p> <p>Bell Lane - road sloping towards pond near Ivy Cottage reported to HCC Highways – who say no subsidence issues, Cllr Wright reiterated it was the dip on the opposite side of the road from pond</p>

	<p>that was at issue.</p> <p>Clerk reported broken Road Name Sign at junction of Bell/College Lane had been reported and Cllr Richards had collated list of Road Name Signs that have become worn and illegible – Clerk reported these to John Williams @ Basingstoke and Deane who will refurbish/replace.</p>
iii.	<p>Web Site - Cllr Guinness reported in response to request in Parish Council newsletter, Charlie Hellewell had volunteered to take over updating of EPC website – Cllr Guinness to meet with Charlie next Sunday 06 July to discuss and agree details and how to liaise with Paul Turner (PT) and BDBC for transfer of PC content and secure .gov.uk domain.</p> <p>Clerk reported agenda had not been sent to PT as EPC website suspended, It was discussed and agreed that Agenda should not be sent to a third party website and if new EPC website not ready before next meeting, agenda to be displayed as usual on noticeboards and emailed to village residents.</p>
iv.	<p>Broadband - Councillor Wright reported that HCC continued with the latest phase of their procurement plan for those with the worst broadband connectivity in the country, taking in 90 -95%. In parallel Cllr Wright's negotiations with BT continue to bring improved connectivity to Ellisfield in a private agreement, via cable to the green cabinet at the top of College Lane which connects houses at the top of the village, Houses in the lower end of Green and College Lanes and Axford road would not benefit from this as their connection is along very long and old copper wires to Herriard exchange.</p> <p>Clerk reported receipt today of latest Rural Service Network briefing email which included an item on BDUK stating the winners have been announced for a £10m government fund to explore ways of bringing superfast broadband to the UK's most remote areas. Amongst these a project for Hampshire which although it would not directly affect may be of interest; <i>Testing a range of innovative 'hybrid' engineering techniques/solutions to achieve NGA delivery such as: sub loop unbundling of cabinets, building a significant fibre network that connects as many of the deployed 'SLU node areas' together as possible, NGA delivery using fixed wireless access and fibre to the premise (FTTP).£1,194,145.</i></p>
v.	<p>Land and Property: - Cllr Park-Weir reported he had sourced another quotation that offered to reduce the cost from £1,000 each to £750 if an order for 3 noticeboards was placed, following discussions it was agreed to stay with original plan and budget to purchase one noticeboard each year unless additional funding can be sourced externally. <u>Cllr Guinness to include this in his response to J Laing. Cllr Park Weir to forward details of selected supplier to Clerk to raise an official order.</u></p>
vi.	<p>Allotments: Clerk reported letter sent to all allotment holders notifying changes to tenancy... Jill Woodgate to take over Chris Smith's allotment (no10) and Annie Duncan will take over Webb's allotment (No 3) in October.</p> <p>Ellisfield Allotment Gardeners Association (EAGA) AGM to be arranged during summer months.</p>
vii.	<p>Rights of Way: Cllr Wright reported he had attended HCC Paths to Partnership Conference 2014, held on 5 June 2014 at Royal Victoria Country Park and had since met with James Emmett from HCC Countryside Access Team, Countryside Service who came to the village to explore and discuss the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kit Lane, Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) much erosion and nuisance caused by 4 x 4 vehicles, going 'off-road' • Access to old paths; walked paths becoming rights of way, permissive paths, old railway, access improvement plan etc.
viii.	<p>Burial Ground: Clerk reported that sadly since last parish council meeting, Peter Chilton and Magdalena Brownrigg had been interred in graves in The Burial ground. Also Sally Adams ashes to be interred in her parents' grave on Saturday 26 July at 11-00am. Executors have been in contact with Clerk and currently completing forms to request interment of ashes and replacement memorial stone in the same style as existing, Clerk to email details when received. Approval for interment of ashes given.</p>
ix.	<p>Environment: Nothing new to report. Further afield, both planning applications for Wind Turbines at Bullington Cross and Woodmancott refused.</p>

x.	Hill Farm Pond: Cllr Cazenove reported all well at the pond and she would liaise with Seumas Foster and EVG regarding removal of stinging nettles.										
	Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing new to report in addition to monthly report issued by email; Still looking for a replacement Area Co-ordinator.										
xi.	Memorial Hall: Nothing new to report, no update on Planning Application for French windows leading to garden. Wine walk attended by more than 60 raising more than £300.										
xii.	Basingstoke District Association of Parish & Town Councils and Localism: Cllr Richards attended AGM on Thursday 19 June 2014; the main item of interest to Ellisfield was a letter from The Police and Crime Commissioner offering a grant of £1,000 towards setting up Community SpeedWatch projects.										
xiii.	New Residents: No new residents since last meeting										
xiv.	Affordable Housing: Still awaiting Adoption of Basingstoke Local Plan										
8.	<p>To receive a report from the Clerk on Administration Matters.</p> <p>Letter of thanks received from Theresa Webb, Choir Master of Belles of St Martins following EPC community grant of £50 towards sheet music costs for Basingstoke Festival of Choirs.</p> <p>WW1 Memorials – Clerk reported that she had responded to a request from Debbie Collins Mayoral Co-ordinator for <u>names of those listed on WW1 memorials</u> in parishes across Basingstoke; she has also requested a photograph of memorial in hall and cross on church wall. <u>Ellisfield</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Lieut LB Pigott 13th Hants Regiment</td> <td>Pte A F Matthews 3rd RWK Reg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pte WJ Barnett 11th Essex Reg</td> <td>Pte W Messer 2nd Hants Reg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pte JB Earwaker 15th Hants</td> <td>Pte K Pattenden 1st DCLI Reg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pte W Hopkins 5th Wilts Reg</td> <td>Pte F Randall RASC Reg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pte A Matthews 3rd QRWS</td> <td>Pte S Randall 2nd Hants Reg</td> </tr> </table>	Lieut LB Pigott 13th Hants Regiment	Pte A F Matthews 3rd RWK Reg	Pte WJ Barnett 11th Essex Reg	Pte W Messer 2nd Hants Reg	Pte JB Earwaker 15th Hants	Pte K Pattenden 1st DCLI Reg	Pte W Hopkins 5th Wilts Reg	Pte F Randall RASC Reg	Pte A Matthews 3rd QRWS	Pte S Randall 2nd Hants Reg
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9.	<p>To receive a report from the Clerk on Financial Matters.</p> <p>Approval of Annual Audit return for 2014; Clerk and Councillors completed necessary review and documentation.</p> <p>Clerk provided a written report to all councillors - Monthly financial report (appendix 1)</p>										
	Cheques to be signed and payments approved										
	Signed between meetings										
26-May-14	HALC Affiliation Fee for 2012/13	138.00									
26-May-14	NALC Levy for 2012/13	14.00									
26-May-14	Hampshire Playing Fields Association subscription	40.00									
26-May-14	Parish of Farleigh (rent for using St Martin's church for EPC meeting)	20.00									
26-May-14	Zurich Insurance premium	352.70									
30-Jun-14	Beverley Guinness (APM drink)	87.00									
30-Jun-14	Caroline Cazenove (APM food)	56.57									
30-Jun-14	J Matthews - Clerks salary and expenses	1,150.22									
30-Jun-14	CPRE subscription	36.00									
30-Jun-14	S. Claessens (Litter Picking – June)	32.00									
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10. To discuss any matters which the Chairman considers urgent: None

Cllr Cazenove asked if Clerk could investigate the cost of a 'brown sign' to The Fox

11. To discuss & agree specific objectives for forthcoming year

Suggestions put forward at last meeting, all agreed and confirmed;

- Broadband: secure a private quotation from BT for fast broadband for Ellisfield and a fair hearing for Ellisfield at the next Hampshire County Council procurement stage
- Veolia: to finally get a resolution to litter & lorry issues
- Manor Farm Solar: influence and shape constructively the detailed implementation of this scheme using experience gained with the Bushywarren Lane solar farm

12. To decide upon the date of the next Meeting: Monday 01 September 2014

The meeting closed at 10-15pm

Chairman

Date