**GREAT EASTON AND TILTY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 25th JANUARY 2018**

**AT GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Present** Cllrs John Lewis (Chairman) – David Rowland (Vice Chairman)

 Terry Francis – Clair Southon – Paul Kelly – Cecile Down- Julia England

 Cllr John Freeman ( District)

**Clerk** Audrey Miller

**Residents/guests**  Nicola Luxford, Joan & Stan Sutherland, Nicola Longman

**1. Welcome**

 The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and gave a warm welcome to our District Councillor John Freeman and residents attending.

**2. Apologies for absence**

 Tristan Martens – Cllr Simon Walsh (County)

**3. Declaration of Members Interests**

 John Lewis S.S.E. - David Rowland S.S.E., C.A.B., Friends of the Five Parishes – Paul Kelly S.S.E.

**4. Minutes of last meeting**

 The minutes of the meeting held on 30th November 2017, having been circulated prior to the meeting and there being no matters arising were agreed and signed as a true record.

**5. Public Forum**

 Cllr John Freeman informed the council that the proposed footpath from Rebecca Mead to the main road (B184) has not been agreed to proceed this year but it will be put on the budget for the next financial year.

 The missing railings and the capping stone missing from the Duton Hill bridge has been raised with Highways.

**6. Village Hall**

 The Treasurer reported that the monies from hirings banked since the November meeting were £445.63

 Monies paid out: Caretaker £112.50 (Nov) – caretaker £73.48 (Dec £67.50- light bulbs £5.98)

 Balance as at 24th January 2018 £36,144.48

 The old garage situated on the corner of the parking area by Burn’s playing Field is due to be demolished by UDC.

**7. Website**

 Our Vice Chairman updated the council on the new website. Requests for more photos to be sent to him, the website address was discussed although it is not yet live. The address will be : [www.greateastonparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.greateastonparishcouncil.co.uk/), then it will show Great Easton and Tilty Parish Council and a description of the parish. There will be a link from the old address to the new one.

 There are still items to be discussed with the web master and the council will be informed when it is completed.

 The Chairman thanked David (Vice Chairman) for all his work on this matter.

**8.Adoption of new Code of Conduct**

 It was agreed that the council will adopt the new Code of Conduct and the clerk would inform Simon Pugh at UDC .

**9. Reports from Representatives**

 **Planning**

 UTT/17/3721/FUL Proposed agricultural building

 Nevilles Farm, Mill End Green Road. No objections

 UTT/17/3557/FUL Change of use of two dwellings back to single dwelling. Rebuilding of

 UTT/17/3558/LB minor chimney stack.Demolition of flat roofed rear extension &

 erection of replacement two storey ext.Erection of three bay cart lodge.

 1 Pumpkin Hall,Grange Green,Tilty Grange Road No objections

 UTT/18/0027/HHF Part two storey, part single storey rear extensions, single storey

 side ext. landscaping and alteration to access

 Dow Wood Cottage,Mill End Green. No objections

 UTT/17/3568/HHF Reinstate double gates to rear (removed in 2001) in place of

 UTT/17/3584/LB existing single back gate, removing a section of breeze block

 garden wall.

 Essex House, The Endway, Gt.Easton No objections

 UTT/18/0103/DFO Details following outline application UTT/17/0259/OP for

 nione dwellings, details of appearance and scale.

 Land to The South of The Endway No objections

 **Planning Applications Determined**

 UTT/17/0852/HHF 24 Maynards House, Dunmow Road,

 Planning Appeal: APP/C1570/17/W/3181330 Dismissed

 UTT/17/2246/FUL Tilty Hill Barn,Tilty Hill Farm Conditional Approval

 UTT/17/2247/LB

 UTT/17/2471/HHF Tudor Cottage, Mill End Green Conditional Approval

 UTT/17/2694/FUL Stoneyfield, Broxted Rd. Gt.Easton. Withdrawn

 UTT/17/33990/HHF Orchard View,Gallows Green Road. Coditiional Approval

 UTT/17/3054/AV P&A Wood.(illuninated totem sign) Withdrawn

 **Playing Fields**

 A new bench has been placed on Burns Playing Field and all repairs to the playing equipment have been carried out.

 **Footpaths**

 Concerns were raised that the footpath bewteen Tilty and Goodfellows Farm (FP11) has been dug over by the farmer and the footpath sign has been removed. The clerk will notify the Public Rights of Way Officer.

 **River Interests:** River very high but otherwise OK

 **Road Safety/Highways**

 The road sign at the bottom of Tilty road is missing and has been replaced with a small sign stating Tilty Church, The clerk will notify Highways and request a replacement sign showing Tilty, Broxted, Little Easton and Duton Hill.

 Concerns over the bad flooding on the B184 towards Thaxted. Traffic lights now in place to allow one car to pass at a time. Cllr John Freeman will take photographs and demand a site visit from Highways as he can foresee a fatality if nothing is done to alleviate the flooding.

 **Airport**

 The change of departure routes which took place at Stansted last February and were to be reviewed at the end of the year, caused many more noise complaints.

 There were 930 noise complaints in 2013 and these had increased to 4170 in 2016. The number of flights from Stansted have increased from 137,000 to 166,000 and increase of 21% - complaints for the same period have increased by 450%

 S.S.E. have submitted these figures to the UK Airspace & Noise Engagement Group set up by the Government. This group is intended to identify, discuss and resolve airport noise issues.

 Brian Ross (S.S.E.) submitted an article in the local newspaper covering many aspects -noise impacts, flightpaths, pollution, social responsibility for residents, planning permission for 43mppa, and support for good causes.

**10. Clerks Correspondence**

 The council discussed S.S.E.’s request for financial support in this financial year. It was felt that the council have many requests this year so before committing we will seek to find out how our neighbouring P.C.’s are

 doing.

  **Expenditure**

 Cheques ratified since the last meeting: ‘Abbey’ £140.18 (weedspraying car park, hedge cutting at rear of village hall) -S.Smith £30.00( plants for planter on village green) – A.Miller £734.71 ( £ 675salaryOct.Nov.Dec - £59.71admin refunds) – EON £26.05 (Burns playing field) – Broadmead Leisure Ltd. £612.00 ( playground repairs) -UDC £1188.00 (green skip)

 Monies in: EALC £6560.00 (grant towards website)

**11. Any other business**

 Concerns were made regarding car parking in Duton Hill. Cars parking outside the houses on the through road were prohibiting large vehicles access through the village. This obstruction would cause difficulties for ambulances or fire engines to get through. After discussion it was decided that a personal letter from the Chairman to every house on the through road should be delivered by hand and request ‘ thoughtful and responsible parking’.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Chairman……………………………………………………...Date……………………………………………….

 **SUBJECT TO APPROVAL**