**GREAT EASTON AND TILTY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 31st May 2018**

**AT GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllrs John Lewis (Chairman) - David Rowland (Vice Chairman) - Terry Francis - Clair Southon – Cecile Down - Julia England

**Clerk:** Wendy Hall

**Residents/Guests:** Julie Neale, Peter Neale

1. **Welcome**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.45pm and welcomed everyone attending.

1. **Apologies for absence**

Tristan Martens, Cllrs Simon Walsh, Martin Foley and John Freeman

1. **Declaration of Members Interests**

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

Paul Kelly S.S.E.

1. **Minutes of Last Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held 26th April 2018, having been circulated prior to the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record.

1. **Matters Arising NOT on the Agenda**

Nothing to Report

1. **Public Forum**

Julie Neale attended the meeting to ask the Parish Council to waive the hire charge of the village hall for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Children’s Christmas Party, she stated that this was the first year they had been charged for this. John Lewis stated that it was decided that there were to be no concessions with regard to the hire charge. A discussion started with Julie stating that this was a twice yearly event for all the children in the surrounding villages that no entrance fee was charged for. It was stated that there are many events that are put on in the village hall such as Tilty Lunch where a hire charge is paid so where do we draw the line. She stated that this was the first year that they had been charged. It was then put to a vote

 For – 2 Against – 2 Abstained - 2

John Lewis to speak to Tristan to have final vote

 Peter Neale stated that a large 16 wheel low loader was seen coming across the bridge, he

 asked where the signs were on the bridge as he was sure it was a 7.5 ton weight limit. Wendy to speak to Chris Stonham of Highways to enquire about signs.

1. **Village Hall**

Receipts for the Village Hall this month were £313.50. Expenditure amounted to £590.78, this included caretakers salary, gas and electric.

1. **Website Update**

David Rowland stated that he had spoken to Julia as he needed to figure out how to add the accounts in the right format.

1. **Reports from Representatives**

**Planning**

UTT/18/1144/OP 3 Maysland Cottages, Dunmow Rd No Objections

 1 No. Detached Dwelling

UTT/18/1189/HHF 24 Maynard House Email Stan Sutherland

 Single Storey Extension

UTT/18/1362/OP South Hill Broxted Rd No Objections

 1 No. Detached Dwelling

UTT/18/1412/HHF 3 Maysland Cottages No Objections

 Oak Framed Garden Room Extension

UTT/18/1395/FUL Muscombes Barn Water Lane No Objections

 Change of Use Barns to two residential dwellings

 **Planning Applications Determined**

 UTT/18/0103/DFO Land to South Endway Approved 11/05/18

UTT/18/0561/HHF Great Easton Manor Approved 17/05/18

UTT/18/0886/FUL Land Adj Maltings Bridge Refused 24/05/18

**Playing Fields**

 Clair Southon advised that the bollards have not been installed at Great Easton Playing Field as there is a power line overhead and they are not sure if there is anything underground. Tristan to make enquiries before it can go ahead.

 John Lewis informed council that Gary from Dunmow Rhodes Football Club contacted him and said

 they will not be using the Burns Playing Field this season. He has e-mailed Rob Irvine from Dunmow United to see if they would like to take over the use or if he could suggest another team. Field will still

 need to be maintained if no one takes it on, they have cleared the changing rooms and removing

 goal posts. Terry Francis stated that they will need to block the holes.

**Footpaths**

Paul Kelly stated that somebody has put wire netting along style, this needs to be changed to something more dog friendly – Wendy Hall to contact Robert Pickford

**River Interest**:

Nothing to Report.

Hogweed spraying has been successful, but there is a large infestation at the end of Burns Playing Field although majority is on Chris Trembarth land we may need to contact a professional sprayer, Wendy Hall to contact Highway Rangers.

**Road Safety/Highways**

 No further developments from John Freeman regarding moving 40mph sign outside Maynard House.

**Airport**

 John Lewis advised that the wind has been coming from the North in the last 3 weeks which has increased the noise from aircraft. Emirates are due to start their long haul service on 10/06/18 from

 Stansted to Dubai. Ken O’Toole has advised that Stansted are ready to take 25 long haul routes over

 the next 3 years.

**Clerks Correspondence**

 Salt Bag Scheme – decided not go ahead this year as we still have a large surplus

 Uttlesford Community Travel AGM – advised of date and location and if councillors want to attend we

 need to RSVP to Maggie Craddock

 Stephanie Baxter has been invited to the next meeting to discuss affordable housing – still awaiting her confirmation.

 Advance Transport Research Services discussed – decided this was no benefit to us

 Uttlesford Local Heritage List – Contact for hardcopy of list and see if there is anything that we can

 add to the list

 Several attempts have been made to contact Rissa Long regarding grass cutting outside school villas as

 An email had been received from Claire Smith, it was decided to look at land registry to determine who

 owns the land

 Email received from Doreen Hart regarding grass on crossroads, it was noted that this has now been cut

 by another resident – contact Highway Rangers

 **Expenses**

Cheques since the last meeting – Clerk Salary £303.33, Retirement Gifts £201.95, Zurich Insurance £1811.79, Grass Cut x 3 £1350.00, Audrey Miller £280.00. Vat Refund received £439.87

**Any Other Business**

Paul Kelly stated that the Royal Wedding and FA Cup screening was a success and well attended, he thanked the Parish Council for the use of the chairs. Planning is under way for the next soap box race in September, looking at getting sponsors and fundraising, the theme this year is Military. They would like some volunteers for the bar and car park and the use of the village hall toilets.

John Lewis advised that it is Red Ensign Day on 3rd September 2018 and he had received correspondence regarding a flag, Paul Kelly asked if we can enquire about getting a flag pole.

There being no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm

**Date of Next Meeting Thursday 28th June 2018 7.30pm at Great Easton Village Hall**

**Chairman……………………………………………………Date……………………………………………**