**GREAT EASTON AND TILTY PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**AT GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllrs John Lewis (Chairman) - Terry Francis – Tristan Martens – Paul Kelly – Julia England – Cecile Down – Clair Southon

**Clerk:** Wendy Hall

**Residents/Guests:** Joan Sutherland, Claire Hurst DHCA, Alan Spinks DHCA

1. **Welcome**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone attending.

1. **Apologies for absence**

David Rowland

1. **Declaration of Members Interests**

John Lewis S.S.E – Tristan Martens, SSE, Essex Wildlife Trust, Paul Kelly S.S.E

1. **Minutes of Last Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held 27th September 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**

Nothing to report.

1. **Duton Hill Playground Claire Hurst**

Claire Hurst from Duton Hill Community Association addressed the Parish Council to give an update on the playground equipment, the work has started, activity trail has been installed and the see saw is being installed next week. Claire also informed the councillors that a sub group has been created called Magic Mums, their intention is to look into different projects and fund raising for the village.

Claire also asked about repainting the swings, John Lewis informed her that the swings were safe and Paul at Broadmead Leisure is to replace chains as per inspection, with regard to painting it was suggested that they ask for volunteers within the village to help with this as the Great Easton Community Association do. Claire asked if we could help with the purchase of paint, Tristan said that he had some paint left that could be used.

An invoice has been received from Broadmead Leisure £3863.5, Wendy to raise a cheque for this to cover the Parish Council donation for the playground works.

Following a request at the Duton Hill Community Association the information was handed to Claire and Alan Spinks regarding the purchase of the telephone box in Duton Hill.

1. **Village allHaHall**

Receipts for last month £537.50 in Hall Hire and expenses £181.00 for a new floodlight and £125.50 for caretaker salary.

Clair Southon reported that a number of Mums that use the public car park when collecting their children from school had been left nasty letters on their cars from the upholstery class asking them not to park there. John Lewis will write to the organisers and explain that it is a public car park at the front and they are within their rights to park there.

It was agreed that John Lewis would contact a tree surgeon to cut back the tree outside the village hall.

1. **Website Update**

Nothing to report as David Rowland was absent from the meeting, Julia reported that all was fine. Tristan asked if we were able to see how many people view the website, Julia will find out if this is possible.

1. **Reports from Representatives**

**Planning**

UTT/18/2862/HHF Tudor Cottage, Mill End Green No Objections

UTT/18/2871/HHF Aegastone, The Endway No Objections

 **Planning Applications Determined**

 UTT/18/2349/HHF Pennyfields, Broxted Approved

**Playing Fields**

 The bollards are now ready to be installed, Tristan has the drawings regarding the electric and will

 liaise with Matt to arrange a time to fit them.

 Clair asked Tristan if he could provide the key for the chain to allow access to set up for the firework

 display on Sunday 4th November, Tristan agreed

 John Lewis informed the council that the metre box requires replacing in Burns Playing Field, Jay Hall

 provide this and fit over the next week

**Footpaths**

Tristan has spoken to Chris Trembarth, he has given permission to cut back, he will be cutting back

 next week. Tristan will set up an informal meeting with him to have a chat about footpaths.

 Cecile mentioned that the footpath from Tilty to Goodfellas has been ploughed over, Paul Kelly that

 this can sometime happen and that it should just continue to be used.

**River Interest**:

River is very low, no other problems to report.

**Road Safety/Highways**

 Nothing to report and no further news on the 40mph sign outside the Moat House.

**Airport**

 John Lewis informed the Parish Council that the new date for the District Council report has been

 changed to the 14th November 2018. There are public speaking sessions arranged for Tuesday 6/11/18

 10am – 1pm and Wednesday 7/11/18 2pm – 5pm or 6pm – 9pm, these are open to the public an can be

 no longer than 3 mins, if you intend to speak you will need to register with Uttlesford Council no later

 than 5/11/18. John is committed on both days and cannot attend.

 SSE have taken the Wednesday slot at 6pm and have been allowed 40 mins to speak.

 It was noted that John Freeman hasn’t attended any Parish Council meetings to discuss airport etc,

 It was agreed that John would write him a letter.

**Clerks Correspondence**

 **Expenses**

Cheques since the last meeting – Clerk Salary x 1 £303.33, Grass Cut x 3 £1350.00, T Martens £172.27 (mirrors and bulbs etc), Flagpole £633.92, Defib pads £97.20, £776.30 Tommy Figure

**Receipts**

£1315.00 Re-imbursement from GECA for fence and PA system, £203.33 5 Parishes and £203.33 GECA share of Tommy Figure.

**Any Other Business**

Tristan advised the council that he had noticed a chip on the war memorial, he will make enquiries about repairing this.

Giant Hogweed has got too big for us to deal with, it was agreed that it requires a professional company to deal with this.

Tristan asked the Parish Council if they would consider paying for the hedgerows and river banks to be cut back in Brocksmead. Nigel Messer has quoted that it would be £150.00 twice a year. This was agreed and an invoice is to be sent to the Parish Council.

Cecile said that she had spoken to Paul Rutherford, Tilty Church Warden, regarding the notice board, he has suggested that it could go outside the car park. Paul and Tristan to liaise with Cecile to visit the site and have a look.

John Lewis asked about the Beacon being lit on 11/11/18, Paul advised that this is going ahead and will be discussed at the GECA meeting on Tuesday.

John Lewis advised that when Julie and Peter Neal attended the July meeting it was agreed that John would write a letter to them advising that the Parish Council would make a donation to Children in Need and they would continue to pay for the hire of the hall for children’s Easter and Christmas Party.

After a discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would donate £100.00 to Children in Need

There being no other business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm

**Date of Next Meeting Thursday 29th November 2018 7.30pm at Great Easton Village Hall**

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