NYTHE, ELDENE & LIDEN PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 16th July 2018 at 6.30pm in Nythe Community Centre

Present Cllr K Parry (Chair)

Cllr D Bell (Vice-Chair)

Cllr A Hunt Cllr G Stubbs Cllr Z Hawson Cllr B Solomon Cllr G Cruse Cllr O Ibitoye

Officers Sue Frawley (Parish Clerk)

Absent Cllr B Cockbill

Public Eight

206 Apologies

Cllr G Cruse

207 <u>Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation</u>

None.

208 Minutes of the AGM Held on 18th June 2018

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council AGM Meeting on

18 June 2018 be approved as a correct record.

209 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 18

June 2018 be approved as a correct record.

210 Pubic Session

Sally from Eldene raised the issue of the amount of litter in the Meads. She was aware that litter picking did take place, but the problem still persisted. Cllr Parry stated that the Meads was the worst area in Eldene for people dropping litter and that average with 14 bags of litter per week are collected. Sally questioned Cllr Solomon if he had gone out with the contractor as agreed in April to which he replied no because of his working hours. Cllr Bell and Cllr Parry had been out again this week to see the issue at first hand. However, only 3% of the complaints received by the Clerk related to the Meads area. Cllr Parry said he was working with Dorcan Academy about not littering on cycle paths and about educating the pupils generally about the need not to litter. Cllr Bell stated that he had visited some of the residents who had complained, especially about the state of the 'beach' area.

It was agreed that Cllr Bell and Cllr Parry would meet with Councillor Watts in the next couple of days to walk the area again.

Cllr Parry stated that Eldene had more hours of litter picking per week than did Nythe & Liden. Cllr Hunt raised the fact that at each Parish meeting, Eldene litter was being raised by the residents.

Cllr Watts also felt that there was a problem with the litter collectors themselves, as they had been seen leaving litter around etc. Cllr Watts to speak to Streetsmart about this.

Cllr Hunt raised the issue about enforcement actions being taken after people fly tipped. Cllr Parry confirmed that there have been 2 cases so far in the Parish where Swindon Borough Council have successfully prosecuted the residents. Cllr Hunt felt that as this issue was constantly being raised at meetings, Cllr Parry should include this information in his articles in the HandyMag.

Cllr Parry stated that the weed problem was down to Swindon Borough Council and the weather had played a part in why the weeds had still not been sprayed.

Tony from Eldene raised the issue of the state of the service road behind Hawker Road. This was in a disgusting state and would need more than a road sweeper to clear this. Cllr Bell to visit to investigate and would then speak to the contractor.

Tree debris was also raised. Branches that had fallen were just being moved around so that grass cutting could take place, or even being moved around!

Rosemary Curtis of Nythe raised the issue that the repairs had still not been undertaken by SBC since the community centre had been flooded. Cllr Parry agreed to speak to SBC about this. RC invited members to attend the Community Centre AGM which was on Thursday at 7.30pm.

211 Schedule of Payments

The Clerk submitted the Schedule of Payments for July 2018 a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Schedule of Payments which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book be approved.

212 <u>Bank Reconciliations and Accounts</u>

The Clerk submitted Bank Reconciliation and Accounts for June 2018, a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the Bank Reconciliation and Accounts which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book be approved.

213 Granted Planning Permissions

The Council noted that that 64 Fairlawn, Liden has been granted permission to build a single storey front and two storey side extension and 16 Keble Close, Nythe has permission to erect a single storey side extension, 137 Elmore, Eldene has permission to erect a 2-storey side extension, and 14 Northfield Way, Nythe has been granted a certificate of lawfulness for the erection of a front porch and a dormer window to the rear.

214 <u>First Quarter Income/Expenditure versus Budget</u>

The Clerk submitted the first quarter income and expenditure against budget, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the first quarter income & expenditure which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book be approved.

215 Councillor David Bell 2018/19 Allowance

Cllr Bell does not wish to take his allowance this year – it was agreed to find a specific project that this money could be spent on.

216 <u>Councillor Graham Stubbs 2018/19 Allowance</u>

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217 Councillor Kevin Parry 2018/19 Allowance

It was agreed that the remaining £250 of Cllr Parry's allowance be used to help purchase a defibrillator for Liden Centre.

218 Date of Next Meeting

6.30pm on 22nd August at Eldene Community Centre.

The meeting closed at 6.55pm.

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