

**MINUTES OF ERLESTOKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held in the Parish Church 21<sup>st</sup> May 2009 at 7.15pm**

**Present:** Councillors, Mr. S. Jonik (Chairman), Mr. A. Pinnington (Vice Chairman) left the meeting at 8.50pm, Mr. M. Gilbert, Mr. K. Lewcock, Mr. R. Loraine-Smith, Ms. F. Morgan-Frise (arrived 7.45), Mrs. D. Oram & Mrs. A. Whittle (Clerk).

**Open Forum:**

Mr George Phillips said he was very pleased to see that the agenda had been put on the website and the wording in item 52/09 second line should read footway not footpaths

**53/09 Apologies** – No apologies were received.

**54/09 Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

Cllr Jonik was re-elected to be chairman.

**Proposed** Cllr Lewcock                      **Seconded** Cllr Gilbert                      All in favour

Cllr Pinnington was re-elected as Vice-Chairman.

**Proposed** Cllr Oram                              **Seconded** Cllr Loraine-Smith                      All in favour

**55/09 Declaration of Interest** – No declarations of interest were made.

**56/09 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2009**

The minutes were accepted after the following amendments were made.

1. Footpath was changed to footway in 52/09 line two
2. This is a private lane was removed from 52/09 lines 19 and 20
3. the wording at 49/09 was changed to read as follows:

Cllr Jonik stated that the cricket club will firstly park on their own land. They can then use the new village car park before using the Secret Garden. They will only use the Secret Garden for parking on special occasions. It was proposed that the council accept this arrangement for the foreseeable future.

**Proposed** Cllr Loraine-Smith                      **Seconded** Cllr Oram                      5 in favour and 2 against.

**57/09 Appointment of representatives and meetings calendar 09/10**

The appointments were made as follows:

<b>Footpaths</b>	Cllrs Gilbert and Oram
<b>Police Liaison</b>	Cllr Jonik
<b>HM Prison Erlestoke</b>	Cllrs Pinnington and Lewcock
<b>MOD</b>	Cllrs Morgan-Frise and Loraine-Smith
<b>Website</b>	Cllr Jonik
<b>Parish Steward</b>	Cllrs Loraine-Smith and Oram
<b>Cluster Group</b>	Cllrs Morgan-Frise and Oram
<b>Budget Group</b>	Cllrs Pinnington, Jonik, Morgan-Frise and the clerk
<b>General Liaison Officer</b>	Cllr Lewcock

It was decided to set the dates for the next two meetings and the annual Parish/Electors meeting only as the regularity of meetings may need to change due to the new Wiltshire Council Area Board meetings.

**Meetings Calendar 09/10**

Start at 7.15pm. The Parish Church

**Annual Parish/Electors Meeting**

Start at 7.30pm - The Parish Church

Thursday May 21st 2009	Wednesday 21st April 2010
Wednesday June 24th 2009	
Wednesday August 12th 2009	

**58/09 Planning**

**Decisions Received from Wiltshire Council**

**E/09/0425/TCA** – 10 The Park – Removal of a monkey puzzle tree - Permission

**E/09/0292/TCA** – 29 High Street – reduce mature willow by 35% - Permission

**Applications to discuss**

**E/09/0558/FUL** – Sec of State for Defence - Erlestoke Barn – erection of replacement building.

No Objection

**Proposed** Cllr Morgan-Frise                      **Seconded** Cllr Pinnington                      All in favour

### 59/09 How to call a Parish Poll

The clerk was recently asked by Mr Ryan from the village who a Parish Poll is called. Having now found the information she presented the following from the Local Government Act 1972 schedule 12 paragraph 18 sub (4) to the council:

"A Poll may be demanded before the conclusion of a parish meeting (not parish council meeting) on any question arising at the meeting; but no poll shall be taken unless either the person presiding at the meeting consents or the poll is demanded by not less than ten, or one-third, of the local government electors present at the meeting, whichever is the less."

If such a poll is agreed on then the Wiltshire Council Returning Officer would be notified and would arrange the event on the Parish's behalf but at the Parish Councils cost. Notices would be placed in the parish not less than 5 days before the poll giving times and places to vote. No postal voting is allowed and only those listed as an elector in the said parish may vote on the issue.

### 60/09 No right of way across the Secret Garden

The clerk said she was still in consultation with the councils solicitor on the correct wording.

### 61/09 Sub Station – decide on siting of new station

Cllr Jonik explained that the council had approached each household in The Park to gain their views on the siting of the new sub station. Cllr Morgan-Frise kindly prepared and delivered the questionnaire and map and presented the following replies:

**Option 1.** To site the new station adjacent to the existing sub station – 5 votes

**Option 2.** To site the new station next to the new Car Park – 8 votes

In view of this the following was agreed: In light of the views of the residents of the Park, the Parish Council has decided to adopt option 2 as its preferred option for the siting of the new substation. The clerk will write to the SEB advising of the councils decision.

**Proposed** Cllr Loraine-Smith      **Secoded** Cllr Morgan-Frise      6 in favour 1 abstention.

### 62/09 Broken Bench from the play area

Further to the damage to the bench and the subsequent removal of it from the fenced play area by Cllr Jonik, it was decided that a more robust bench should be installed in the play area. The bench being built by Mr Seabourne would be more substantial and therefore the council agreed to have this bench installed in the play area. The clerk will contact G B Sport and Leisure regarding the installation of the broken bench not having been carried out in a safe manner on soft ground and that the seat was not fit for purpose. The council request a new seat to be re-installed in the open Park Area.

### 63/09 Moles in the play area

The council agreed to employ the mole man to try and clear the park field of moles.

**Proposed** Cllr Gilbert      **Secoded** Cllr Jonik      All in Favour.

### 64/09 Parish Steward 9<sup>th</sup> June visit

The steward will be asked to clear the weeds in Lower Road.

Cllr Loraine-Smith reported that the drains have been cleared at long last but could the clerk email Paul Bolan regarding the reflective sign by the entrance to the park which is broken and the 30mph sign by the lake.

### 65/09 To consider items of Correspondence needing a reply - None for comment – all circulated

### 66/09 To confirm the Financial Statement for April & accounts for payment

The council accepted the financial statement for April and agreed the following payments:

Mrs A Whittle – Hours & Expenses - £470.00      HM Customs & Excise – PAYE month 2 - £40.60

HM Customs & Excise – PAYE Month 3 - £40.40      Community First – Membership - £36.00

Michael Heaton – Archaeological work - £954.50      Website annual fees - £41.40

Gaiger Brothers Ltd – Car Park, Road & Drainage - £21786.75

**Proposed** Cllr Loraine-Smith      **Secoded** Cllr Lewcock      All in favour.

### 67/09 To receive reports from Village Representatives

**Cllr Gilbert.** The entrance to the golf club has been changed and tidied up with the hedge being cut back and new signs being installed.

**Cllr Loraine-Smith.** He advised that the pavements are to be worked on next week (26<sup>th</sup> May)]

**Cllr Morgan-Frise.** The next cluster meeting will be the beginning of June.

**Cllr Lewcock.** Could an item be added to the agenda for the next meeting of flashing speed signs.

**Cllr Jonik.** The footpath map on the notice board has become unclear with age so he is intending to produce a new one.

### 68/09 Next meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2009 – at the Parish Church

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.