

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ERLESTOKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held in the Parish Church Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at 7.15pm**

**Present:** Councillors, Mr S Jonik (Chairman), Ms F Morgan-Frise, Mr K Lewcock, Mr D Moore, Mr J Durham, Mr J Hunt-Davis & Mrs A Whittle (Clerk).

**Open Forum.**

Cllr Jonik had received a report that the sign on footpath 8 is missing. Pear Tree Lane is very potholed. Drains blocked outside the pub.

The broadband supply to the village was discussed. The villagers pay the same as a city resident to BT but don't get the same service. Further pressure to be placed on Wiltshire Council to press BT to supply all outlying villages in Wiltshire.

B3098 road surface is in very poor state. The clerk advised that Bratton PC had been advised that works to the road will start shortly.

Drainage problem off of Stokes Hill onto the B3098.

**41/15 Apologies** – Apologies were received from Cllr Gamble and Cllr Morgan-Frise.

**42/15 Election of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Appointment of representatives and confirmation of meeting date calendar.**

Councillor Jonik was re-elected as chairman for 2015/16.

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

Councillor Moore was elected as Vice-Chairman for 2015/16.

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

**Appointment of Representatives**

**2015/16**

<b>Footpaths</b>	Cllr Durham
<b>Police Liaison</b>	Cllr Jonik
<b>HM Prison Erlestoke</b>	Cllr Moore
<b>MOD</b>	Cllr Moore
<b>Website</b>	Cllr Hunt-Davis
<b>Parish Steward</b>	Cllr Jonik
<b>Budget Group</b>	Everyone
<b>General Liaison Officer</b>	Cllr Lewcock
<b>Devizes Area Board</b>	Appointed for each meeting
<b>Village Hall Committee</b>	Cllr Morgan-Frise

**Meetings from now until May 2016**

27th May 2015	16th December 2015
8th July 2015	27th January 2016
19th August 2015	9th March 2016
30th September 2015	20th April 2016
11th November 2015	25th May 2016

**Annual Parish Meeting**                      27th April 2016

**43/15 Declaration of Interest** – None received.

**44/15 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015.**

The minutes were accepted as presented:

**Proposed** Cllr Moore                      **Seconded** Cllr Jonik                      All in favour

**45/15 Wiltshire Council and Devizes Area Board Update**

Cllr Jonik went to the recent area board meeting and raised the issue of neighbourhood plans and the George and Dragon planning application. He also spoke to Phillip Whitehead, a Wiltshire Councillor, about the safety of the children crossing the B3098 to get the school bus. He's very interested in helping. The clerk was asked to write to Wiltshire highways about having the 30mph sign moved further out of the village at both ends.

**46/15 Planning**

**Applications for Comment:**

**15/03586/TCA** - Pollards High Street – Remove Ash Tree

No Objection

**Proposed** Cllr                      **Seconded** Cllr                      All in favour

**47/15 The George and Dragon Public House and Approval of Asset of Community Value application.**

It was decided that a committee needed to be established to look into the next phase of the Asset of Community Value. Cllrs Lewcock, Hunt-Davis and Morgan-Frise will meet to look into getting a formal committee together.

**48/15 Highways and Footpath issues to include Parish Steward tasks.**

Clerk to take forward sign issue etc as per Open Forum.

**49/15 On-going matters**

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor – *The clerk advised that as yet no one from the Parish had come forward.*

Safety of school children crossing the B3098 – see 45/15

Neighbourhood Plan for Erlestoke - *It was decided to hold an open meeting in early July and invite the village by flyer to discuss the plan further.*

Erlestoke House Gates – No further information

**50/15 Correspondence**

Withdrawal of Mobile Library service from Erlestoke. No Comment

**51/15 Parish Council Insurance renewal.**

After discussion it was resolved to change the Parish Councils insurance supplier to AON at a cost of £353.08.

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

**52/15 To confirm the Financial Statement for April & May 2015 & accounts for payment**

The statement was accepted and the following accounts agreed for payment:

A Whittle – Salary and Expenses June- £131.58, HMRC – PAYE Apr, May, June - £137.40

AON Insurance - £353.08

**Proposed** Cllr Moore                      **Seconded** Cllr Jonik                      All in favour

**53/15 To receive reports from Village Representatives – No reports received.**

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

**Next meetings are as follows:  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2015  
from 7.15pm in the village church.**

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