

ELSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Elswick Parish Council held on
Thursday 25 October 2007 in Elswick and District Village Hall commencing at 7.45pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Rowe (Chair), Chedd, Hayhurst, Emmington, Molloy, James and Taylor. In attendance Mrs Elvy (Clerk).

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Taylor declared an interest in item 10(ii). Cllrs Chedd, James and Hayhurst declared an interest in item 14(v).

2. MINUTES – Of the meeting held on 27 September 2007 were read, approved and signed as a correct record with correction of the Apologies for Absence.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Revised Code of Conduct – This statutory notice has been placed in the In Focus with Little Eccleston with Larbreck in order to split the cost. The cost to be included in FBC's publication will be nominal therefore this offer has been accepted.

4. LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – CC Mrs Joyce Stuart, JP.

i) Road Safety Monies

Following a lengthy discussion it was confirmed that:

- FBC appear to have failed to collect the outstanding monies. It was felt that FBC should address this situation.
- CC Stuart would contact LCC Chief Executive to confirm that the money had never been received them.

5. PLANNING

i) Presentation by Mr Mark Evans, FBC Planning Officer

Due to time constraints it was:

07/97 Resolved: to adjourn this item and discuss at a future meeting.

ii) FBC decisions on items previously commented upon and awaiting decision:

- a) 07/0949 Boat House, Elswick Manor – Extension and conversion to dwelling.
- b) 07/0951 Boat House, Elswick Manor – Listed building consent for 07/0949.
- c) 07/0996 Norcott Farm, Mill Lane, Elswick – Conservatory to rear.
- d) 07/1018 1 The Meadows, Elswick – 2 storey side extension.

iii) Items received since previous meeting for consideration:

- a) 07/1100 Land off Roseacre Road – 3 separate stables and paddock.
This item had been sent to the incorrect PC. CC Stuart will forward it to Roseacre, Wharles and Treales PC and Mrs Elvy will inform FBC Planning Department of their error.

iv) FBC Small Site Exemption Document

Cllr Rowe talked through this document which provides rules and guidance for developing a small site. The document was noted.

6. LEISURE AND AMENITIES

i) Football Pitch – Mr Ian Joynes, Elswick FC Manager

Mr Joynes submitted the £250 fee for this season. The situation with regard to the PC's funding for next year was explained, in particular equitable taxation. It was felt that it had been useful to meet and discuss issues.

07/98 Resolved: the locked area can be used during the match by the players children for a fee of £2 per week.

7. FINANCE

i) Expenditure October 2007

Date	To Whom	Reason for Payment	Chq No	Nett (£)	VAT (£)	TOTAL (£)
12.10.07	Powergen	Electricity Monthly payment	Direct Debit	159.15	27.85	£187.00
25.10.07	V Elvy	Wages	100014	£144.15	£0.00	£144.15
25.10.07	Void - stud in chq book	Void Chq not issued - incorrectly written	100015			
25.10.07	G Thornley	Wages	100016	£363.30	£0.00	£363.30
25.10.07	HM Revenue and Customs	Income Tax Contribution	100017	£0.70	£0.00	£0.70
25.10.07	G Thornley	Reimbursement	100018	£43.64	£5.96	£49.60
25.10.07	G Thornley	Mowing of Village inc Football Pitch	100019	£237.00	£0.00	£237.00
25.10.07	V Elvy	Reimbursement	100020	£20.71	£0.55	£21.26

25.10.07	MC&MA Haulage Ltd	Top Coating for Bowling Green (repair)	100021	£308.88	£54.05	£362.93
25.10.07	P Hayhurst	Train fare for attendance at Britain in Bloom for Mr Atkinson's representatives	100022	12.40	0.00	12.40
31.10.07	G Hall	Bowling Green Contract	Standing Order	250.00	0.00	250.00
31.10.07	NW Air Ambulance	In Memory of Eunice Curwen, Honorary Citizen of Elswick	100023	25.00	0.00	25.00

07/99 Resolved: that these accounts are to be paid.

ii) Income October 2007

Date	Received from	Reason for Payment	Payment Type	Amount (£)
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Precept		£1,339.00
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Playing Field Grant		£7,765.80
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Contribution to Parish Expenses		£661.00
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Amenity Cleansing		£2,452.00
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Bus Shelters		£140.00
1.10.07	Fylde Borough Council	Playground Maintenance		-£452.00
		Total	Cheque	£11,905.80
25.10.07	Elswick Bowling Club	Membership	Cheque	£1684.00
25.10.07	Elswick Bowling Club	Donation to Playground	Cheque	£100.00
25.10.07	Elswick Football Club	Fees	Cheque	£250.00
25.10.07	HSBC	Interest on Current	Direct Payment	£0.86

07/100 Resolved: Income acknowledged and to be paid into bank account.

iii) Change of Bank Provider/Completion of Telephone Banking Mandate

It was confirmed that the RBS account is still active and the Clerk is in the process of resolving the issues. The Clerk requested authorisation to establish a telephone banking service. This will enable movement of money between the current and the savings account therefore maximising the payable interest. The Clerk will confirm the rate of interest paid on the accounts.

07/101 Resolved: to authorise movement of money between accounts using HSBC Phonebank.

iv) Precept and Open Space Grant 2008/2009

FBC have requested submission of the above. The paperwork has been passed to Cllr Hayhurst. This item will be placed on the next agenda.

8. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Nil of note to report.

9. PARISH PLAN

i) New Website

A draft site was viewed. This will be discussed further at the November meeting due to time constraints.

ii) Parish Partnership Forum

This was felt to be a useful meeting. It was agreed that there is strength in numbers when dealing with particular issues.

10. OPEN SPACE GRANT

i) SITA Grant Application

Cllr Hayhurst has met with Wicksteed. Work should commence on 17.3.08 and take 6 weeks with the opening of the new Playground on Spring Bank Holiday. Both seats are to be replaced by one new seat. A notice will be sent to the users of the garages to the rear of the park suggesting they use the Village Hall car park during the work. Part of the fence will need to be removed during the work but this will be replaced on condition that the PC provide the materials. This item is to be placed as a rolling item on the agenda.

ii) Bowling Green

A default notice has been sent to the Greenkeeper (a copy will be forwarded to Cllr Taylor via email). An assessment will be made of the work this weekend. Thanks was given to the Bowling Green Club for the £100 donation to the Playground fund. The membership fees were also received.

11. AMENITY CLEANSING

Nil to report.

12. MAINTENANCE WORK

The maintenance work is yet to be assessed. The trees in the dyke need clearing.

07/102 Resolved: Cllr Emmington will discuss this further with Mr Thornley. If additional equipment is required Salthouses are authorised to assist.

13. HIGHWAYS

The signpost at the junction of Roseacre Road and Lodge Lane as been knocked down.

07/103 Resolved: The Clerk is to contact LCC regarding replacement.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

- i) Remembrance Sunday – FBC Invitation – EPC will not be represented.
- ii) Remembrance Sunday – Kirkham Town Council Invitation – EPC will not be represented.
- iii) PACT letter – Passed to Cllr James for his comments.
- iv) LCC New Chairman’s Reception – Invitation passed to Chairman.
- v) Email from Cllr Chedd re: Ground rent for 2006/7 and 2007/8 to EVH Committee –

07/104 Resolved: to issue an invoice in this respect.

- vi) NALC Conference – Noted.
- vii) Fire Service Family Carol Service – EPC will not be represented.
- viii) Death of Eunice Curwen – This is a sad loss to the village. As Eunice was Honorary Citizen of Elswick Village a donation of £25 will be sent in her memory.

15. COUNCIL DIARY

Due to time constraints it was:

07/105 Resolved: to adjourn this item and discuss at a future meeting.

16. CONSERVATION ITEMS

Due to time constraints it was:

07/106 Resolved: to adjourn this item and discuss at a future meeting.

17. DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the Adjourned Item Meeting will be confirmed following discussion with Mr Evans. The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will take place on 22 November 2007 at 7.45pm in Elswick and District Village Hall.

Signed: Chairman Date

Signed: Clerk Date

ELSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a reconvened meeting of Elswick Parish Council held on
Wednesday 7 November 2007 to consider items adjourned from the October monthly meeting.
Held in the Parish Council meeting room commencing at 8:30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman - Coun. J. Rowe
Councillors Chedd, Hayhurst, Molloy and Taylor.
Apologies: Councillor Emmington.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None declared at this point.

15. COUNCIL DIARY

It was reported that no further work had been possible on the Council Diary and it was agreed to have an informal meeting to further develop this initiative.

16. CONSERVATION ITEMS

The Council considered two issues – the old barn on Beech Road and the prospect of providing a wildflower meadow on the council land on Roseacre Road south of the Football pitch. The chairman, Councillor Rowe, declared an interest in the item concerning the barn and left the meeting while this was discussed.

07/107 Resolved: That the Council write to Fylde Borough Council requesting that a repair notice be served on the applicant in respect of this listed building.

It was reported that Pam Robinson had expressed an interest in working with the Council on the wildflower meadow project.

07/108 Resolved: That the Council thank her for her interest and further explore the possibility of providing such a feature for the village.

Signed.....ChairmanDate

Signed..... ClerkDate