



Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th July 2017 in the Small Hall of the Village Hall, Gilberts Drive, East Dean, commencing at 7.39 pm

Councillors present: Cllr M Keller (Acting Chair), Cllr B Greenwell, Cllr I Haydock, Cllr P Hill, Cllr A Hookham, Cllr J Sargent and Cllr P Seeley

In attendance: K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

There was one member of the public present.

Public session: - None

C.421 Acceptance of apologies for absence: - Cllr S Fuller

C.422 Declarations of Interests: - None

C.423 LITTER BINS

Cllr Hill introduced the Report on this item and advocated the purchase of three more high capacity, wildlife-proof Leafield litter bins, one for use at the East Dean bus stop (south side) as an addition to the existing Leafield bin, and two for the two Friston bus stops (south side and north side), in addition to the existing concrete bins.

The clerk reminded members that the council had recently debated the purchase of Leafield bins for the Friston bus stops and decided against it, which meant that the decision should not be overturned within six months, unless and until it had been formally rescinded. The council did not have a budget for the purchase of additional bins in the current financial year, but it could decide to purchase more (moving money from other budget heads or from reserves), provided that a resolution to do so was approved by the full council. At the present meeting, the council could only choose to purchase an extra bin for East Dean, if it so wished. A debate on extra provision for Friston would need to be deferred.

Cllr Hill stated that this was an unsatisfactory situation: a new problem had emerged at Friston, where the older smaller bins had been adequate until this season. Now, litter was blowing into Friston Pond and was a potential health hazard. The cause was possibly the fact that coaches had begun to use Friston Green as a stopping point. The question was raised whether it would be feasible for a private individual to purchase a bin, for later transfer into the ownership of the council. The clerk advised against this, as Wealden District Council would not empty a bin provided by a private individual, and there would be no guarantee that the parish council would in due course accept ownership of the bin, or refund the purchaser. *[Note: Standing Order 7 provides that a resolution shall not be reversed within six months except by a special*

motion which requires written notice by at least three councillors to be given to the Proper Officer for publication on an agenda].

RESOLVED – That the purchase of one additional Leafield high capacity litter bin be approved for use at the East Dean bus stop (south side).

C.424 Date of next ordinary meeting – Thursday 7th September 2017 at 6.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.08 pm.

Signed..... (Chair)

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