



## Minutes of Ewelme Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 12th July 2023

**Present:** David Solomon (DS/Chairman)  
Roger Moore (RM) Barry Tindall (BT) Sally Stockings (SS)  
Andrea Powell (AP) Joanna Brock (Clerk) 3 members of the public

98/23 **Apologies for absence:** Freddie VanMierlo (FVM) is attending another meeting. Sue Cooper (SC), AP is representing SODC. Nigel Layton (NL) and Gemma Benoliel (GB.)

99/23 **Declarations of interest:** Roger declared an interest in 106/23 as his driveway is affected.

100/23 **Minutes of last meeting 14/06/2023:** These were agreed and signed.

101/23 **Public session:** No one wished to speak at this time but speak in other sections.

102/23 **County & District Councillor reports:** FVM sent a report before the meeting. SC & AP sent a report before the meeting and AP attended the meeting. DS mentioned that the recycling centres may stop charging for household DIY waste. The £2 bus cap will be extended to October. The Councillor priority fund is now open for applications. RM asked about a new cycle path alongside the RAF base passing by Agrivert. AP said the RAF Benson Station Commander is keen on this but it's private land. In the last meeting with the RAF, BT said the Station Commander said he would progress this. SS said she would ask the landowner. There is a government funded Local Authority Housing Fund to purchase housing for refugees. £4 million has been provided to SODC for this scheme. The councillor grant scheme is open for applications. Up to £5000 is available from each Councillor. On the 17th July there is a drop in session at Crowmarsh pavilion run by the Community Hub team for advice to councils looking to apply for grants. DS said it's good to see the Wallingford splash park open.

### 103/23 **Planning**

**P23/S1954/S73: Waterside, Ewelme, OX10 6HQ.** Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) on application P21/S4316/HH (Single storey extension) - for alterations to the footprint, roof design and fenestration. DS did a site visit. At this site visit, the applicants explained that their intention was to build to the same height as the original approved application. They produced an overlay drawing to show DS. This did not match the S73 drawings which had been submitted to SODC. Corrected plans were submitted on 11/07/23 to the Planning Officer. The Planning Officer has accepted the new plans and has extended the consultation period for consultees for two weeks. **RESOLVED** EPC has no objections to this application on the condition that SODC is satisfied that any increase in the visual intrusion, including loss of light and loss of privacy to the immediate neighbours, is acceptable in planning terms.

**P23/S1123/S73: The Stables, Ewelme, OX10 6HP.** Variation of condition 2 (Approved plans) in application P19/S2138/FUL. **RESOLVED** EPC has no objections.

**P23/S1233/FUL: The Stables, Ewelme, OX10 6HP.** Solar panel array, construction of timber frame garage and relocation of drive to move away from village water main. RESOLVED EPC has no objections.

**P23/S1842/LDP: 4 Green Lane, Ewelme, OX10 6DA.** Construction of single storey garden room to the rear of garage. Porch to be reinstated. Air source heat pump placed on roof of garage. RESOLVED As this is a LDP, EPC have no comment.

**104/23 Accounts and Administration:**

(a) RESOLVED finance report accepted.

(b) RESOLVED new income and expenditure authorised. *See appendix.*

RESOLVED all invoices to date authorised.

**105/23 Traffic:** DS has prepared an article for the EN informing residents that new poles will be erected on Cat Lane and Days Lane for the SID. A new pole on The Street will not be erected at this time due to objections by neighbours. HGV movement on Green Lane and Eyres Lane has remained the same, DS will chase up OCC.

**106/23 Landslide:** There has been a second burst pipe on Cat Lane. Thames Water told RM that their present financial problems shouldn't affect Ewelme's progress. The pipe is now on their replacement list. RM did a walk around with representatives from OCC. They have said they will firstly empty out the silt traps and flush out all the drains.

**107/23 Car park:** SS has spoken to Miss Edwards. She is in favour of moving the cattle area to the other entrance to the Common. SS is visiting the site tomorrow to find out what the cost would be for extra parking spaces with tree screening.

**108/23 Ewelme Historical Archive website:** This is progressing well. Y. Solomon (YS) has been building this and will hopefully be able to demonstrate it in a couple of months.

**109/23 Wilding:** BT, DS, the Clerk and Working to Regenerate Ewelme's Nature (WREN) attended a meeting with Grundon on 6<sup>th</sup> July. WREN produced a document and quotation from the Earth Trust for a 10 year plan on Grundon's land managed by WREN. Grundon would like to install some solar panels in one of their fields to generate green electricity for their operation. Grundon have given WREN permission to start hedge laying on their land.

**110/23 Health & safety:** GB reported before the meeting that a piece of the swinging bridge on the climbing frame is missing a slat and a panel on the fencing between the play area and the Common is loose. BT might know someone who can fix this, if not the Clerk will contact someone.

**111/23 Village Maintenance including outdoor gym, pavilion, play area & the Common:** The Clerk has been contacted by SODC Active Communities about the public using Ewelme's outdoor gym equipment and maybe setting up a coaching session. The Clerk will get more information on this.

112/23 **Reports from meetings, training and other events:** There was a Grundon meeting held - see 109/23.

113/23 **Correspondence:** It was decided to pass the communication with Airband to T. Wilson. However, EPC will pass on any information if necessary.

114/23 **Other items of interest:** None.

The meeting closed at 2115

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of next meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> August 2023-

**Appendix**

**Ewelme PC Payments & Receipts July 2023**

Ref no:	Payments for authorisation:	
12.07.23.01	Administration costs	1,126.09
12.07.23.01	Pension	88.31
12.07.23.02	A. Sayer - EN - 2nd quarter	75.00
DD	Grundon	36.85
12.07.23.03	Oxford IT solutions	66.00
	Clerk's expenses (from other sheet)	15.64
	PC debit card payments (below)	49.50
		<b>1,353.44</b>

Date	Receipts since last meeting:	
	Nil	
		<b>0.00</b>

**EPC debit card purchases**

Date	Item	Cost
03/07/2023	Boots eye test - Clerk	49.50
		<b>49.50</b>