



Minutes of the Foxearth & Liston Annual Electors meeting
held in Foxearth Village Hall on
SATURDAY 13th. May 2017 at 10.30am

Present: Cllr T. Clayton, Cllr M. Posen, Cllr K. Robson and Kevin Money (Clerk)
Members of the public: 8

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from ECC David Finch, District Councillor I. Parker, Cllr C. Cox, Cllr W. Binks & Cllr P. Cox
2. **Approval and signature of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors held on 21st. May 2016**

Mr. C. Waite proposed and Mrs M. Waite seconded that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. **This was agreed unanimously**

3. Report of the Chairman of the Council

It has been a fairly quiet year but one that has seen the completion of the long-awaited flood prevention scheme. Although there has not been the opportunity to fully test the system after one of the driest winters on record, I am sure that given the excellent work carried out by Highways, we will have consigned to the past the many flooding problems experienced by a considerable number of village residents.

At last year's meeting, we discussed the possibility of a Public accessible defibrillator and I am pleased to say that this is progressing well and that hopefully before much longer we will have one installed, probably in the redundant telephone kiosk currently used as the village watchbox.

Cllr Cox is currently looking at the possibility of having the village War Memorial refurbished as it has been allowed to deteriorate over the years and now requires a considerable amount of work. This should be carried out free of cost to the village under the grant scheme sponsored by the War Memorial Commission.

Liston residents are still awaiting further news regarding the Stafford Park proposed development which we are informed might be forthcoming later in the year. The planning Committee will meet once the developers have presented all the information requested by BDC which I understand is quite considerable.

A considerable amount of remediation work has been carried out on the church at Liston recently thanks mainly to a rather large bequest left to the church by a former Liston resident. This combined with the excellent fund raising efforts of Ian Macmillan and Quentin Poole by way of the musical events held at the church means that the future of the church is secured for many years to come.

4. Public Forum

- Broadband upgrade – any further news? Cllr M. Posen said that no news has come forward from the provider. Speed issues and demand in the area has gone up. The network has been and will always be an issue until it is upgraded. Cllr M. Posen will contact the broadband provider on behalf of the village. Cllr M. Posen stated fibre will be in the village by 2019/20.



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- Speedwatch – More volunteers are still needed. It is a good idea as it does slow the traffic down. In recent studies, it showed that the average speed is about 38mph through the village. Speeding drivers are reported to the police and a letter is sent to the offending driver. The fastest recorded speed through the village is 47mph. Please contact Mary Waite (or Mel) if interested in helping this valuable organisation.
- Footpath – Mary Waite has obtained names of people / companies who may be interested in cutting the grass in the village. She will give the contact details to Cllr K. Robson who will make contact and ask for quotations.
- Mark Posen mentioned about the vast increase in dog mess in the village. Dog bags, in the past, were purchased by the Parish Council and were distributed to residents. The Clerk to use the resident distribution list to make residents aware about dog bags being made available and new signs being installed.
- The Jubilee Oak tree is alive and well but needs a lot of TLC. Alan Finch is aware of the situation.
- Liston Lane quiet lane scheme was not successful this year. However, Cllr D. Finch stepped in and the scheme is now going to be approved later this year (as well as the other 3 schemes).
- Purple bags to be obtained by the Clerk

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 11.10am and thanked everyone for attending

Signed.....5th. May 2018
Tony Clayton