

**NYTHE, ELDENE & LIDEN**  
**PARISH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 11th November 2019 at 6.30pm  
in Nythe Community Centre**

**Present** Cllr K Parry (Chair)  
Cllr D Bell (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr G Stubbs  
Cllr Z Hawson  
Cllr B Cockbill  
Cllr B Solomon

**Officers** Emma Hill (Parish Clerk)

**Public** Six

**328** **Apologies**  
Cllrs Cruse & Ibitoye

**329** **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**  
None.

**330** **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**  
It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019 be approved as a correct record.

**331** **Pubic Questions**  
Tony from Eldene complained about the amount of mess in Eldene regarding the bushes, Cllr Parry stated that NEL Parish Council has a six week programme to cut back the bushes and tidy weeds. Cllr Parry also stated that with there being a new Clerk appointed, that contractor works moving forward will be regularly checked. Cllr Parry informed that the centre is clean twice a week and the bushes are cut back once a year.

Tony raised a comment regarding the non-apology of meetings not being held in Eldene, Cllr Parry said that due meeting date being changed due to no Clerk, NEL Parish Council was unable to confirm the Eldene Community Centre booking meeting rooms so unfortunately there were unable to be held there. Cllr Parry confirmed that there will be Parish Council meeting in Eldene in February 2020.

Tony's other point raised was with respect to the pub in Eldene, he wanted to know why the area/surrounding area wasn't being kept tidy by the Parish, Cllr Parry stated that the building may have been sold, however due to this being a private building the Parish Council is legally not allowed to trespass and carry out works on private property. SBC & the Police have been informed about the problems at Eldene Centre and there is a plan in place to refurbish the centre.

A lady raised a concern about the Rugby field grass. The grass is private land of the Rugby Club, Cllr Parry advised the lady to contact the Rugby Club.

**332**      **Schedule of Payments**

The Clerk submitted the Schedule of Payments for October 2019 a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that the Schedule of Payments which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book be approved.

**333**      **Bank Reconciliations and Accounts**

The Clerk submitted Bank Reconciliation and Accounts for October 2019, a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that the Bank Reconciliation and Accounts which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book be approved.

**334**      **Granted Planning Permission**

Councillors noted that 35 Okebourne Park, Liden has been given permission to erect a two-storey front and side extension and 71 Austen Crescent in Liden has permission to erect a two/storey side extension to the existing entrance lobby and insertion of a door.

**336**      **Refusal of Planning Permission**

Councillors noted that 26 Ecklington, Eldene has been refused permission to erect a detached outbuilding.

**337**      **Appointment of Auditor for the Year 2019-2020**

It has been agreed to have the same auditor year on year – Bridget appointed.

**338**      **Approve the purchase for a new filing cabinet for the office**

It has been agreed new filing cabinets will be purchased, the Clerk to source and order, with a budget of £1000.

**339**      **Review of all Parish Council Policies**

Following discussions Councillors approved the policies. A new date and the new Clerk (Emma Hill) will be added to the policies and upload on the website.

**340**      **Approve new GDPR policy for the website**

Cllr Hawson provided the council with a GDPR compliant document, change of phone number to be made and Cllr Hawson to upload to website.

**341**      **Cllr Parry to use his allowance to purchase a new bench at Liden Lagoon**

Councillors approved Cllr Parry's allowance to be used to purchase a bench for Liden Park.

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**No. 20 Bus Route Proposal**

Cllr Bell gave feedback on the No.20 bus service following discussions his investigation our pervious discussions. Cllr Bell raised that it would cost around £100,000 a year to run and users for the service were very low and this was why the service was cut. Cllr Parry informed that Ward Councillor Barbara Parry and he had already written to the bus company with proposed new route with would have resolved the problem for residents. The bus company wrote back that they were unwilling to change any routes at this time. Cllr Parry stated that a motion at Full Council (SBC) had been agreed that the Leader of the Council would write to the bus company to request they look at this route and work with the Parish Councils. Council agreed to wait for the outcome of the Leader of the Council’s letter to the Bus Company for a modification around the service.

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**Staffing**

Members of the Public & were asked to leave for Council to go into a Private Closed session.

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**Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 6.30pm in Nythe Community Centre.

Signed .....

Date.....

Chair of the Council

