ELVEDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of Elveden Parish Council held on Wednesday, 13th January 2016, in Elveden Estate Office at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr Ian Robertson (Chair), Cllrs Rebecca Younge, David Wood, James Holliday, David Farrell, Christine Mason, Reg Silvester

1. APOLOGIES

 Carole Hazelwood

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, 16th September 2015, were agreed and signed as a true record. (R.Y., I.R.)

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

4. COMMUNITY POLICING

Speed checks on 17th and 18th of December had resulted in 8 Traffic Offences for speeds between 40 and 60mph and then again on 11th January resulting in 5 Traffic Offences for speeds between 42 and 50mph. More checks were planned for both the old A11 and the B1106. There were no additional recorded crimes in the village but some poaching had occurred on the estate.

5. MULTI- USE GAMES AREA

Funding of approximately £30,000, (from lottery funding and the church) had been secured by Elveden School for the construction of a multi-use games area. It was proposed that this facility would ultimately be available for the rest of the community to use outside school hours.

6. REPORTS

(a) Suffolk County Council – Cllr Silvester reported that the local schools would almost certainly be very oversubscribed.

(b) Forest Heath District Council – Public consultations for the FHDC Local Plan were now taking place.

7. ROAD AND FOOTPATH ISSUES

Changes to lane markings on the Five Ways roundabout were to be carried out to help address some safety concerns after a review in December. Currently, there were no plans to install traffic lights on the roundabout.

The B1106 had now been improved with the addition of white lines and cat’s eyes.

8. PLANNING

DC/15/2557/TCA - Fell 1 Copper Beech and pollard 1 Oak – 47 London Road. The parish council had no objections or comments to make on this application.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Precept – After discussion, the council decided to maintain the precept request to the previous year’s level of £1,100. (I.R., R.Y.) The precept form was duly signed.

Payments - Two cheques were signed: Acting Returning Officer for West Suffolk Constituency - £21.34 (Fees for the production of notices and photocopying for the uncontested election in May) and for Mrs C Youngs - £150 (clerk Oct/Nov/Dec.)

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

 There was none.

11. DATE OF FUTURE MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Wednesday, 18th May 2016 at 7.30pm