ELVEDEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of Elveden Parish Council held on Wednesday, 18th January 2017, in Elveden Estate Office at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr James Holliday (Chair), Cllrs Rebecca Younge, David Wood and Colleen Billing.

1. APOLOGIES

 Cllr Reg Silvester.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, 19th October 2016, were agreed and signed as a true record. (R.Y., D.W.)

3. MATTERS ARISING

No progress appeared to have been made with the Multi Use Games Area at the school.

4. REPORTS

(a) Suffolk County Council – No report

(b) Forest Heath District Council – the FHDC Local Plan (Proposed Submission) was viewed by the council.

5. VILLAGE SIGN

**Cllr Holliday** would continue to progress this matter with Lord Iveagh. **The Clerk** would make enquiries about design costs.

6. BUS SHELTER

 **Cllr Holliday** would assess the condition of the bus shelter.

7. FLASHING SPEED INDICATOR SIGN

The possibilities of a movable sign were considered. **The Clerk** would look into costs for this potential project.

8. VILLAGE POST BOXES

Cllr Holliday had written to Royal Mail regarding the replacement of the stolen post box but, as yet, had not received a reply. The Clerk had ascertained that Royal Mail appeared confused about the number of post boxes available to Elveden residents, but were currently looking for another site for the post box in a location that was less vulnerable than the original site.

9. PLANNING

Removal of 30m mast and replacement with 30m monopole mast with 3 antenna and minor amendments to equipment cabinets – Brandon Road – Elveden. The council had no objections to this proposal.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Precept - The council decided to maintain the precept request at £1,100, with no increase, (unanimous). The precept request form was duly signed.

Payments - Two cheques were signed; Community Action Suffolk (website hosting) £60. Mrs C Youngs, (Clerk Oct-Nov-Dec) £150.

Cheque Signatories - Bank signing arrangements were updated.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

 **Cllr Younge** would post a notice about councillor vacancies on the village Facebook page.

 The items “Rural Crime” and “Roads and Footpaths” would be included in the next and in each following agenda. Other items for next agenda – a petanque playing area for the village.

12. DATE OF FUTURE MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council would take place on Wednesday, 17th May 2017, commencing at 7.30pm in Elveden Estate Office.