**ELVEDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting of Elveden Parish Council held on Wednesday, 16th October 2019, at 7.30pm in Elveden Estate Office.**

Present: Cllrs Guy Warren (Chair), Coleen Billing, David Wood and Stephen Frost

1. APOLOGIES

 Cllr Rebecca Younge

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday, 17th July were agreed and signed as a true record. (C.P., D.W.)

3. MATTERS ARISING

 There were none.

4. WEST SUFFOLK COUNCIL NEWS

Cllr Frost reported that the two councils were now blending well into the new West Suffolk Council. Currently, West Suffolk was considering how to go “carbon neutral”.

5. PETANQUE PLAYING AREA

 Ball sets still needed to be sourced.

6. RUBBISH BINS

The rubbish bins on both lay-bys on the old A11 had been agreed and were shortly to be installed. West Suffolk would both pay and service the two bins. The matter of a Dog waste bin on the playing field was raised. Cllr Warren would make enquiries with the school.

7. DEFIBRILLATOR

The Parish Council would share half the cost of the defibrillator which was to be installed at the Elveden Inn.

8. SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

The county scheme is heavily oversubscribed. There were difficulties with a suitable site for the SID near the Elveden Inn and consequently, this matter was postponed for review at a later date.

9. MUGA

The siting issue had now been resolved and planning had been granted. The petanque pitch would have to be repositioned, but the cost of this would be borne by the school.

10. RURAL CRIME REPORT

 Poaching remained an ongoing issue.

11. VILLAGE LITTER PICK – MARCH 2020

Cllr Warren would organise the spring litter pick and would try to encourage involvement by the school in some form.

12. VILLAGE FAIR

 Cllr Warren would make enquiries.

13. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council were in compliance with Pension Regulations. A pension exemption redeclaration had been made.

The following cheques were signed – Business Services @ CAS ltd (insurance) £185.64 and Mrs C Youngs (clerk Jul/Aug/Sep) £150.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

 It was reported that the May Pole was currently in danger of being lost.

15. DATE OF FUTURE MEETING

 The date of the next meeting was set as Wednesday, 15th January 2020.