

EASTNOR AND DONNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of The Annual Meeting of the Parishes of Eastnor & Donnington
held at Eastnor Cricket Club Pavillion on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7.00pm.**

Present: 5 residents of the parishes

Ledbury South Ward Councillor – Stef Simmons

Representatives from Kinsman Residential Home (Bronsil House)

Janet Chester – parish clerk

1. Welcome by the Chairman of the Parish Council

The Chairman of the parish council Caroline Layton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. To Accept any Apologies for Absence

Jim Sandford

3. To Consider Approval of Minutes of the Annual Parish Meetings held 10th May 2022

The minutes of the meeting were approved and duly signed by the chairman.

4. Guest Speaker – Richard Llewellyn and Jonathan Williams from Kinsman Residential Homes

Kinsman Residential Homes have taken out a 15 year lease on Bronsil House. They plan to set up their first home for four to six children aged 10-17 years old. Jonathan has 20 years of experience as a social worker but wants to give more to the children and give them greater support and experiences than he is able to at present. The company will employ local people but only after they complete an intense induction as the company want committed and caring staff. Bronsil House also has an annexe which the older children will use to grow their independence.

5. To Receive Annual Report from Chairman of the Parish Council

We have had quite a busy year since I took over the Chair from Chrissie who I thank for her service over many years.

There have been quite a few planning applications, fortunately none contentious and all so far granted by Herefordshire Council.

The roads remain in a state of disrepair in places despite the best efforts of our Clerk and Localities Steward to get repairs in place. The white lines on the triangle have been reinstated. We continue to pursue a depth gauge for Clenchers Mill Ford, repairs to a broken drain/culvert opposite the farm entrance and are hoping to install a new notice board at The Wood Shed entrance which is growing in popularity.

Eastnor Deer Park continues to host the El Dorado and LakeFest music festivals among other events which bring many people to the area but with little or no trouble.

There will be another car rally through Eastnor in September. The parish council have asked the organisers for greater communication with residents and more details will be circulated when they are known.

May I thank all my fellow Councillors for their help and participation through the year, and after the recent elections welcome our new ward councillor Stef Simmons and I look forward to this new season.

6. To Receive Annual Report from Ledbury South Ward Councillor Stef Simmons

Annual Report from Stef Simmons, Ward Councillor,

Ward Cllr Simmons reported that following the recent elections she had only been in position for a week. She has 20 years experience in environmental planning and has lived in Herefordshire for 16 years. She thanked former Ward Cllr Helen l'Anson for her service and wished her luck in the future. The last week had involved lots of training and chat for handover. Her priorities are for more services in Ledbury, youth provision, transport connections and road safety. She gave her contact details to help resolve any issues.

7. To Note the Attendance Record of Parish Council Members

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ATTENDANCE RECORD

2022-2023

Name	FEB	MAY	JUNE	JULY	OCT	FEB	TOTAL
SHANE HOWELLS	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	5 OF 6
CAROLINE LAYTON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	6 OF 6
SHIRLEY ROBERTS	Y	Y	Y	Y	APOL	Y	5 OG 6
JIM SANDFORD	Y	Y	Y	N	APOL	APOL	3 OF 6
ROBIN SMITH	Y	APOL	APOL	Y	Y	Y	4 OF 6
CHRISTINE STALLARD DANIELS	Y	Y	APOL	APOL	APOL	Y	3 OF 6
BEN TANDY	CO-OPT	Y	Y	APOL	Y	Y	5 OF 6
WARD CLLR HELEN L'ANSON	Y	APOL	APOL	N	APOL	Y	2 OF 6

8. To Receive the Financial Report from the Parish Council (figures quoted are provisional and subject to audit)

Opening balance – £3048.37
 Income – £6000.00
 Expenditure – £5257.20
 Closing Balance – £4681.39
 Unpresented cheques - £890.22

9. Open Forum - to raise matters relevant to Eastnor & Donnington parishes -This item to be limited at the discretion of the chairman

Meeting declared closed at 20.05pm.

Signed

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