**Minutes of Ettington Parish Meeting**

**Held on 23 March 2019**

1. **Welcome and Introduction**

Councillor Hughes welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that this isn’t a Parish Council meeting but that there is a requirement for all parishes to have an Annual Parish Meeting which, in most parishes, is organised by the Parish Council. He went on to explain the format of the meeting:

1. This is an opportunity for parishioners to raise any matters which may or may not fall within the remit of the Parish Council but which will be considered by

the Parish Council at a future meeting;

1. Organisations have been invited to have a ‘market stall’ or make a brief statement in order that parishioners can find out more about their activities. Organisations attending included:

GIFT (Youth Club)

Friends Meeting House

The Parish Church of Holy Trinity and St Thomas of Canterbury

Ettington Cheeky Chimps

Ettington Community First Responders

Ettington Community Centre

Monday Club

Ettington Parish Council

Ettington Youth Council

Ryepiece Barn Concerts

Ettington Diggers

Community Orchard

Ettington Community Speedwatch

Ettington Rubbish Friends

Newbold Sea Scouts

Cllr I Seccombe, WCC

Cllr P-A O’Donnell, SDC

1. **Minutes of the Meeting of 28 April 2018**

These were approved as a true record having been proposed and seconded by parishioners who were present at that meeting.

1. **Have Your Say**

Matters raised and which will be included on the agenda for the Parish Council meeting of 10 April 2019:

1. Neighbourhood Watch: Jane Evans reported that, in response to an increase in criminal activity in the parish, a NW scheme has commenced based on the area around Avon Close. It is planned that it will gradually expand to include all of the village and it is hoped that the Parish Council will be involved.
2. Blind Exit from Shop: A suggestion was made that a mirror be erected opposite the exit from the shop to facilitate visibility. Cllr Seccombe responded that WCC do not recommend or install mirrors.
3. Notification of the Parish Meeting: A comment was made that the flyers through doors gave too little notice. Cllrs Henry and Collins responded that there had been a ‘drip feed’ approach with use of large banners at both ends and in the middle of the village; the website ([www.ettington.org](http://www.ettington.org)); notices in the Village News; posters around the village including the PC noticeboards and the flyers through letterboxes.
4. Speeding traffic through the village: Cllr Hughes reported that this is a perennial problem and a local groups (PC, School, Pre-School etc) had attended meeting with Nadim Zahawi and WCC when this was considered though no further traffic calming schemes were considered viable (also see report below from Ettington Community Speedwatch);
5. Fosseway Junction: A query was raised as to whether traffic lights, a roundabout or ‘stop’ rather than ‘give way’ signs could be installed. Cllr Seccombe responded that this junction is 130th (as defined by number of accidents) across Warwickshire and due to its position and budget constraints no action can be taken by WCC. In response to a suggestion that a hatched box be installed Cllr Seccombe responded that she would explore this as an option.

Queries were raised, and responded to, in response to matters raised from the meeting of 28 April 2019 as follows:

B. extending 30mph speed restriction as a result of Spitfire Development: Cllr Seccombe responded that this was not considered necessary;

C. M40 signage. Cllr Seccombe had pursued this again but the Council follow national guidelines.

D. Reduction of speed limit to 20mph. Cllr Seccombe responded that there are no plans for this.

Reports: Hazel Schofield gave a brief report on the remit, protocol and activities of Ettington Community Speedwatch and reported that volunteers are always needed. Ian Prosser is the coordinator and can be contacted on 01789 740072.

Cllr Hughes closed the meeting and invited attendees to partake of refreshments (donations to be made to the Community Centre), thanked the organisations for attending and asked that attendees take time to visit the ‘stalls’ to find out more about them.

**Responses to Questions Posed:**

How should the £8,000 raised from sale of small parcel of land at playing field be used?

Skateboard Facilities (x1)

Green Gym (x3)

More seating in park (x1)

Purchase of land for allotments (x2)

What should the priorities for Ettington Parish Council be for the coming 12 months?

Encourage Speed Control

Should the name of the Parish Council be changed to Ettington and Fulready?

If there is a Fulready Councillor