

Don felt that the Plan covered every type of incident whereas residents would like to see a specific flood plan. He also felt that there was a need for a visible review of the causes and after effects of any flooding.

John Welton commented that residents would also like the reassurance of a presence by Parish Councillors at times of flooding. He reminded the Council that it had an agreement with the Environment Agency to provide volunteers for the Flood gate team but there had been no succession planning for this.

Alfie and Bridget Beer supported the need for a local Plan to deal with flooding emergencies and the need for action to be seen by those who were suffering from flooding.

RESOLVED: that after the elections, a Working Group be set up to include Alfie and Bridget Beer, Alan Burton, Don Mildenhall and John Welton, to review the Parish Emergency Plan.

268 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Mrs Clark reported that the neighbourhood Plan was now with EDDC to be formally made.

The NP Group were now meeting to consider priorities and action for the Community Action policies.

Cllr Mrs Rogers had spoken to Tim Spurway about the plan and he had said that it was unusual for a NP Working Group to keep working after a Plan had been made as it was now the responsibility of the Parish Council.

However, the Clerk pointed out that there was always scope for a community group to offer to keep the Plan under review and to start looking at the Community policies. He also made it clear that it was essential to plan for a formal review of the Neighbourhood Plan in a few years time to ensure that its policies were kept up to date. Otherwise it could lose its strength when appeals were considered.

Whilst there was no guidance on how to conduct a review at the moment, he suggested that there could be little argument if the same procedure was adopted as for making the Neighbourhood Plan.

269 Bus shelter, Meeting Lane

The Council was requested to consider replacing the polycarbonate glazing at the front of the bus shelter as part of the refurbishment. Polycarbonate was needed for the new notice board and so it would be economical to buy a whole sheet and use the surplus for the bus shelter.

Concern had been expressed that the bus shelter might become redundant if the bus services ceased. However, Cllr Mrs Rogers now reported that the airport was expanding and the operators were looking to increase access by bus.

RESOLVED: the two front panels at the bus shelter be replaced.

270 Otter Rotters

The Clerk had been requested to find out more details of otter Rotters opening a round in Lympstone.

This was now operating and bags and tags were available to buy in the Village Shop. Cllr Carter agreed to put another item in the next Lympstone Herald.

271 Lights the extension car park at the Village Hall

Cllr Acca reported that SSE would be erecting two lamp columns in the extension car park on Wednesday. The Clerk agreed to inform the School.

272 Finance

Payments

RESOLVED: that the following payments be approved:

DD	EDF - Lights in Candy's Field		30.59
DD	EDF - electricity for toilets *		10.00
2148	Optima Graphics - Herald printing		290.00
2149	EDDC bin emptying		189.60
2150	Mrs Lyon re Ploards - NP printing		539.30
2151	Exmouth Town Council - hire of Handyman		150.00
2152	Playsafety - safety inspections		99.60
2153	Mrs C Edworthy wages March 2015		201.50
2154	A J Le Riche salary & expenses March 2015	624.43	
	Equipment for youth club	499.63	
	Parts for new notice board	15.60	
	Mileage for the year	202.05	1,341.71
2155	HMRC - Tax / NI March 2015		159.04
2156	LYPS materials for youth club		198.24
2157	VHMC – room hire		441.00
	Total		3,650.58

273 Financial summary

The Council noted the following financial summary

Current Account		
Opening balance at 1st April 2014		37,151.54
Receipts		54,444.66
Total receipts		91,596.20
Transfer from dep ac		
Total paid in to current ac		91,596.20
less, Payments		41,849.70
Net balance		49,746.50
Unpresented cheques		3,732.44
Receipts not on statement		-640.00
Balance per bank statement		52,838.94
Deposit Account		
Balance at 1st April 2014		159.93
Interest to 31st March 2015		0.35
Transfer to current ac		0.00
Total		160.28

274 Date of Meeting in May

The Clerk reported that as there was an election, he would not be able to arrange the next meeting on the scheduled date of 11th May.

The Council then discussed business at the meeting on 27th April and the timing of the Annual Parish Meeting.

RESOLVED: 1 that the meeting of the Council scheduled for 27th April 2015 be cancelled unless there is any urgent business.
2 that the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Council meeting be held on 18th May 2015.

275 Matters raised by Councillors

Cllr Young reminded the Council that there was no longer a post box in the Village that was available when the Shop was closed.

Cllr Longhurst reported that this was a matter for the Post office. One had been ordered but was the wrong type and so it could not be installed. The Clerk was requested to write to the Post office urging installation of a new post box.

Cllr Mrs Clark reported that there were others who might have stood for election but the last issue of the Lymstone Herald had not been delivered until after the closing date for nominations.

Cllr Longhurst also thought that it was unusual for the date for withdrawal of candidature to be the same as the closing date for nominations and that Election staff would not release the names of candidates until after the closing date. He suggested that in the case of Lymstone, one of the candidates might have been willing to withdraw as this would have avoided a poll, with the additional costs that this entailed.

The Clerk reported that the new gates for the Toddler play area were ready. It had been his intention to collect these as he was making regular trips to that area when the gates were ordered. However, he was no longer making these trips so often. There was a delivery charge of £120.

Cllr Mrs Clark reported that she might be going to that area next week and then could collect the gates.

RESOLVED: that if Cllr Mrs Clark is unable to collect the gates, the Clerk be authorised to arrange for the gates to be delivered.

Cllr Bailey was not standing for re-election. He thanked everyone for their help and co-operation over the last 35 years that he had been a Parish Councillor and also pointed out that this ended his family connection with the Parish Council since it was formed in 1885.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Bailey and Cllr Mrs Beatty, who was also not standing for re-election, for the service they had given to the Parish.

Chairman