



Minutes of an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th November 2019 in the Small Hall of the Village Hall, Gilberts Drive, East Dean, commencing at 8.10 pm

Councillors present: Cllr M Keller (Chair), Cllr L d'Urso, Cllr P Hill, Cllr P Seeley, and Cllr B Wheatley

In attendance: D Picknell (Admin Assistant); K Larkin (Parish Clerk)

There were no members of the public present.

C.122 Acceptance of apologies for absence: - Cllr T Bryant, Cllr N Day, Cllr K Godden, and Cllr J Walker

C.123 Declarations of Interests: - None

C.124 Dissolution of East Dean Responders

The council considered a report from Cllr Hill and Cllr Seeley, recommending that the Parish Council take on some of the assets and responsibilities of the East Dean Responders charity, upon the dissolution of that organisation at 30th November 2019. The council had already agreed in principle to assist the Responders in this way [Minute C.115, 7th November 2019]. Detailed information about the available assets (seven defibrillators), and the finance proposed for their future installations, maintenance and use was now available. The defibrillators were intended to be kept within the community, where the funds for their purchase had originally been raised.

The Parish Council would decide on the actual location of the defibrillators, based on feasibility studies and obtaining necessary permissions. However possible locations could be as follows:

- One to remain outside the Village Hall
- One to be moved from its present location inside the Barn Stores to a new location outside the surgery in the shopping precinct
- One to be located at the cricket pavilion
- One to be located in the porch of Friston church, or alternatively near the junction of The Ridgeway, The Brow and Warren Lane, dependent on availability of power supply for the cabinet)
- One at the top of Micheldene Road (again, precise location to include a power supply, to be confirmed)
- One in the Beachy Head Chaplaincy office

This would provide full and even coverage for the whole parish. The public access (PAD) sites and defibrillators must be checked annually, and this could be done by

the local SECamb representative in return for a donation (£100); he could also provide training for the general public, again for a donation, and was very willing to assist.

The total potential start-up cost would be £4,868 for the installation of the new PAD sites with power supplies etc., plus an estimated £908 for the first three years' maintenance, totalling £5,776 over the first three years. East Dean Responders Trustees would make a minimum payment of this amount to the council on the basis that it would be "ring fenced" for the sole use of the relocation, ongoing maintenance and training relating to the transfer of the defibrillators from East Dean Responders to the parish council. The lifespan of a defibrillator was about 10 years. The council would review the provision made after the first three years.

The council would need to appoint a Lead Member to be the principal point of contact for ongoing communications, training etc., relating to the project. A councillor was nominated **ACTION: MK to discuss with the nominee.** Members requested an update on progress at the December meeting.

Members recalled that Cllr Rob Page, a former Chair of the Council, had set up the East Dean Responders and that it would now be fitting for the council to take the project forward.

RESOLVED - That the measures proposed above be approved and that the council take ownership of and responsibility for the seven defibrillators of the East Dean Responders charity upon the dissolution of that organisation on 30 November 2019

C.125 Date of next meeting: Thursday 5th December 2019 at 6.30 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed..... (Chair)

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