Minutes of the East Mersea Parish Council meeting held at East Mersea Village Hall on 10th June 2021

Present: Cllrs: David Sunnucks (chair), Margaret Lawford, Emma Green, Chris Glover, Clerk: Sue Pullen, Borough Cllr Robert Davidson, County Cllr Kevin Bentley and one member of the public

67.21 Apologies for absence: Cllr: Jeff Mason, Borough Cllr: Pat Moore

68.21 To confirm and agree the minutes for the meeting held on Thursday 13th May 2021: Cllr Sunnucks proposed, Cllr Glover seconded and all agreed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman.

69.21 Declarations of Interest: None

70.21 Public Session: A suggestion for verges to be left a bit more for wildlife was made but thought likely that complaints would then follow about lack of verge cutting. Signage for Cudmore Grove was raised for being inadequate and existing ones needing a clean which will be passed on accordingly. The bin at the end of East Road needs more frequent emptying and the dog poo bin needs its post straightening which will be passed on to CBC.

71.21 County Councillor report: Following the elections some ECC policies will be updated with some councillors taking on new roles. Vaccinations for Covid-19 are going well and to plan and the number of new cases is low but changing constantly. Many roads are being redressed and pot holes should still be reported on the ECC website.

72.21 Borough Councillor report: Also, following the elections CBC cabinet formation will be different with some taking on roles unfamiliar to them but will hopefully learn quickly on the job.

73.21 Village Party has been booked for Friday 9th July 2021at 6.30 to 8.30pm.at Mersea Barns (marquee outside) and leaflets have been distributed inviting all residents. There has been a kind offer from Mersea Vineyard of a barrel of beer and all other catering matters are being dealt with.

74.21 Police overtime: The idea of extra police time to be paid for by the parish council was discussed but having assurance that speed gun action would be taking place as a matter or course it was agreed that little could be gained from this for East Mersea.

75.21 Tree Planting Project: This was being considered for a certain area but was agreed to be unnecessary at this time.

76.21 Litter Pick: The Great British Spring Clean was taking place now but after discussion it was agreed for the next East Mersea litter pick would be more effective in autumn or spring when growth has diminished.

77.21 Caravan Parks including the new Forum: A date has been set for the first meeting of this forum and contingents invited; ideas for discussion will be presented. **78.21 Planning Decisions**:

210802 Proposal: Relocation of existing assault course due to current location flooding at East Mersea Youth Camp, Rewsalls Lane – **Approve conditional**

211059 Proposal: Single storey extension to an existing Pavilion to provide storage and cloakrooms at East Mersea Hall, Church Lane – **Approve conditional**

79.21 Schedule of payments to be made:

10/06/21	455	Community Heart Trust (defib)	162.00
10/06/21	456	June salary	364.00
Total			£526.00

80.21 Matters to be raised on the next agenda: Caravan Parks and Forum Meeting for August (consider if necessary) Village Party

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 8th July 2021 in East Mersea Village Hall at 7.30pm.