

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ewyas Harold Group Parish Council**  
**held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2004**  
**In the Memorial Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present**

Councillor Mrs E Overstall (Dulas) in the chair  
Councillor G Sprackling  
Councillor Revd L Rickards  
Councillor R Weaver  
Councillor J Middle  
Councillor P Sheen (Rowlstone)  
Councillor Mrs M Williams (Rowlstone)  
Councillor Mrs J Addis  
Councillor W Preece  
Councillor Mrs M Tovey  
The Clerk

In attendance:

Councillor J. B. Williams (Herefordshire Council)

Ms Isabelle Devereaux (Editor Parish Newsletter) and 1 member of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence**           Councillors P Jinman, W Lloyd
  
2. **Declaration of Interest**       Councillor W Preece declared an interest in planning application DCSW2004/1806/O– see item 9.2

3. **Minutes**

The minutes of the ordinary meeting of the council held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2004 were approved with the following amendments:

**Item 4.13** Should be reinstated to the Agenda

4. **Matters for report (Not covered by separate agenda items)**

4.1. **Access to Ewyas Harold Common**

The Parish Council have received 5 letters of complaint over access to EH Common. The main thrust of the letters was that it was agreed at a meeting of the Commoners Association held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2003 that a pond and rocks constructed by residents at the SE end of the Common should be removed and the area reinstated to its original condition. The complaint by the public is that after six months of waiting, no action has been taken. Distress and difficulty have been caused to older members of the community who are no longer able to drive their cars to park on the edge of the Common.

No minutes are available for the meeting of the Commoner's Association although Councillor Sprackling (GPC representative) did attend and made a report to the Parish Council in the Minutes of December 2003.

The main purpose of the pond appears to be to prevent preventing car parking. Planning permission was granted retrospectively by HC, but the application – being on a Common – also requires permission by the Secretary of State (Section 194 under the Law of Property Act 1925). This has not been given.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would form a sub-committee to liaise with the Lord of the Manor, Mr. Rogers, Herefordshire Council Planning Department, DEFRA, the Commoners and members of the public. This sub-committee would be made up of Councillors J Middle, G Sprackling, Revd L Rickards, Mrs E Overstall and Mrs J Addis and would hold its first meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup>. *Councillor Mrs E Overstall presented the minutes for this meeting. See attachment*

The Clerk wrote to Mr Funke to request a copy of the minutes for the meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> November. *A copy of these were received by Councillor Sprackling who pointed out that although the meeting was the AGM this was not acknowledged in the minutes.*

**Resolved**

That the Clerk would write to Mr Funke (copy to Peter Jinman) thanking him for the minutes but pointing out the lack of notice of the AGM. Copies of these minutes to be sent to all Councillors.

**ACTION CLERK**

The Clerk has written to DEFRA to request what actions they were proposing. *They have replied and the contents of the letter were read out by the Clerk. The main points were that:*

- *The planning process for the wildlife pond ended with the granting of planning permission by Herefordshire Council*
- *However, consent of the Secretary of State is still required for construction of any work that prevents or impedes access to common land (Section 194 of the Law of Property Act 1925).*
- *The application for consent re the wild life pond has been put on hold by DEFRA because the applicants maintain that the land owner (Mr Rogers) may still yet give his permission.*
- *DEFRA will not be taking any further action until they hear again from the applicants on the question of whether or not they have obtained the landowners agreement to the pond.*

**Resolved**

That the Clerk would write to DEFRA to remind them that the Lord of the Manor has written to them to clearly state that he will not give permission for this development. The Clerk will also ask Mr Rogers to confirm his position to DEFRA.

**ACTION CLERK**

The Clerk has written to the Lord of the Manor and Peter Jinman - Chairman of the Commoners -requesting the reconvening of the Commoners Association. A letter has been received from Mr Rogers acknowledging this request. A letter was also received from Peter Jinman in his role as Chairman of the Common Society and this was read out by the Clerk. The main points were:

- The minutes from the last meeting of the Common Society were as yet unapproved.

- The next meeting of the Common Society would hopefully be in September
- There has been considerable communication with the Lord of the Manor to achieve the restoration of the Common surface.
- The origin of problems with the Common must not be overlooked in the search for a solution, i.e. increased vehicles driving onto the Common, damage done to the surface by vehicles, flytipping, savaging of sheep by uncontrolled dogs
- Concerned with the increase in traffic passing onto the Common in contravention of the 1925 Law of Property Act, discussions between the Common Society and the Lord of the Manor prior to the 2001 Foot and Mouth outbreak resulted in a resolution in favour of the placing of a notice regarding the legal position.
- The well being and use of the Common have been preserved over many years by the actions of the graziers. It is hoped that the renewed interest in the Common shown by the Parish Council, and the continuing goodwill of the Lord of the Manor, can be used to the benefit of all.

Councillor Mrs E Overstall stated that the relevant act controlling vehicles on common land was in fact the Road Traffic Act of 1988. In April 2004 the Law Lords made a ruling that meant that rights of way which have been customarily used for 20 years or more are restored as rights of way for vehicles. This could mean that people might legally drive over the Common and therefore in the light of this judgement it is imperative that we do something to control the situation.

Councillor Preece stated that he had reason to believe that the change in the law to increase access to the countryside would mean that by 2005 it will be legal requirement to provide parking on the Common

**Resolved**

That the Clerk will clarify this ruling

**ACTION CLERK**

Councillor Mrs E Overstall identified a possible alternative site for parking at the SE access of the Common

**Resolved**

That the proposal of an alternative car park should be presented to the Lord of the Manor

**ACTION EO**

**4.2. A465 Speed Limit**

The improvement work on the Rowstone junction and Llangua Bridge commenced in mid March 2004 but, despite the contractor indicating that the work would be completed within 8 to 10 weeks, it is still outstanding. The Clerk has written to the Highways Agency and telephoned Amey Mouchel to seek an explanation for the delay. Amey Mouchel have promised to look into the problem and pass their findings back to EHGPC.

Vernon Jones, Deputy Chairman of Grosmont Community Council, has booked Dulas Court at 7.30pm on Monday July 19<sup>th</sup> for a meeting of the Joint Parishes Working Party on the A465. Councillors Mrs M Williams and P Sheen will represent EHGPC, but other Councillors are welcome.

**Post meeting note: Brendan Pardow of AmeyMouchel has contacted the Clerk to explain the delays. Firstly there was a third party repair to a local house which required suspension of the bridge work, then there has been a problem with the supply of specialist equipment for the lights system. This has hopefully been resolved and work should be completed before the end of July.**

4.3. **Manhole Cover in road – U74428.**

Both Chris Wright of HC and Wessex Water agree that the line of the adopted sewer in Dark Lane ends at the junction with Priorsfield. Welsh Water have been sent a letter dated 16<sup>th</sup> June 1988 in which SHDC confirmed that the sewer had been adopted by Welsh Water. In response, Welsh Water have admitted that their records have not yet been updated and that they are also seeking to confirm the position of the manholes that require attention. Mr Gibb of Welsh Water met with Councillor Middle on 24<sup>th</sup> May and will be writing to the Clerk to present his conclusions. *No letter having been received, the Clerk spoke to David Hancock of Welsh Water who confirmed that the records have still to be updated but that a copy of these will be sent to EHGPC when they are available.*

**Resolved**

That the Clerk contact Welsh Water again to ensure that they are in receipt of all letters pertaining to the adoption of the sewers in 1988.

**ACTION CLERK**

4.4. **Trees in Dulas Lane**

The trees in Dulas Lane continue to lean over the lane. The Clerk has written to HC who have instructed Mr Prosser to arrange for the trees to be inspected by a qualified arboriculturalist, and then to carry out the necessary work as a matter of urgency.

**Resolved**

That this is noted.

4.5. **Trappe House Pitch – slow road marking**

Councillor Mrs Addis requested that the possibility of the road at the top of Trappe House Pitch being marked with the letters 'SLOW' be looked into. HC advise that road marking are only used in support of traffic signs.

The Clerk has approached Andrew Jenkins in the traffic section of the Highways Department for advice. Mr Jenkins has informed the Clerk that he is planning to carry out a survey of the area and report his findings to EHGPC.

**Resolved**

That this is noted.

4.6. **Road Signs**

**4.6.1.Llancillo boundary sign on the U74413 & U74415**

The Clerk has requested 3 signs from Dave Osborne of HC. These have still not been delivered but HC have reported that the backlog of orders is being cleared.

**4.6.2.Signs in Rowlestone and on Dark Lane Triangle needing replacement**

Andrew Middlecote has reported that there is still a backlog in the manufacture of signs.

*There still appears to be a backlog*

**Resolved**

That this is noted

4.7. **Roadside by Stonehouse Cottage**

Councillor Middle raised the condition of the roadside by Stonehouse Cottage and sought to have it improved. Representatives from the Divisional Surveyor of HC met with Councillor Middle and it was agreed that the surface would be improved.

*The work has now been completed.*

**Resolved**

That this item be deleted.

**4.8. Councillor Vacancy**

Following Laura Prowse withdrawing her application for the current vacancy, the Clerk has re-advertised the post. *No expressions of interest have been received.*

**Resolved**

That the advertisement should remain in place and that Councillors should make the Clerk aware of any potential applicant.

**4.9. Stile near Little Walk Mill**

Councillor Preece reported that the stile between Little Walk Mill and Home Farm was removed 18 months ago and the gap left still has to be made stock proof.

It was later ascertained that the exact location was on Footpath 12/13 Ewyas Harold to Dulas. The Clerk has contacted Robert George who has agreed to make a report to HC who will then inform the Clerk of their actions. *Councillor Preece reported that he had been informed by HC that this work had been identified as low priority and would be completed within the next 3 months*

**Resolved**

That this is noted.

**4.10. Freedom of Information Act**

To comply with this Act, it was agreed that a Parish website needed to be set up. It was suggested that an interested volunteer may be found by advertising in the Newsletter.

**Resolved**

That this is noted.

**4.11. Countryside Consultation Document (Rights of Way)**

The questionnaire has been completed and returned. To verify the Common's boundaries and footpaths, maps have been obtained from the County Land Agent, George Thompson, and from the Countryside Agency.

**Resolved**

That this item be deleted

**4.12. Parish Plan Meeting**

Councillor Lloyd reported that he had been unable to generate any interest for the Parish Plan in Llancillo. Reports for Rowlestone and Dulas will be made at a future Parish Meeting by Councillors Mrs E Overstall and P Sheen..

**Resolved**

That this is noted

***ACTION EO + PS***

**4.13. Overhanging Trees A465**

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Mark Potter of Berringtons the Kentchurch Estate managers regarding overhanging trees south of Pontrilas Garden Centre on the A465. Mr Potter stated that the trees had been cut back twice but that they were planning to cut them back severely within the next 3 weeks. The Clerk has spoken again to Mark Potter who has confirmed that the work is scheduled for week commencing June 21<sup>st</sup>. *The work is still outstanding*

**Resolved**

That the Clerk should contact Mark Potter again to point out that this work must be undertaken by Berringtons.

***ACTION CLERK***

**4.14. Rowlestone Village Hall and Churchyard**

Councillor Mrs M Tovey questioned whether Rowlestone had received this year's payment for the upkeep of the Churchyard. The Clerk reported that a payment of £50 was made to Richard Baker, Treasurer, on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2004.

Councillor Mrs E Overstall questioned whether a grant had been made to Rowlestone Village Hall. The Clerk reported that no record of any payment has been found. The Clerk has written to explain that such donations will be considered later in the financial year.

**Resolved**

That this item be moved to the supplementary list

**4.15. Rospa Report**

Councillor Middle reported that the only area that had been identified as high risk was the surface beneath the slide. Areas identified as low risk needed merely to be monitored and those identified as medium risk could be addressed if money became available. The Clerk has contacted Fran White of HC to arrange a site visit. She has agreed to this but would like to see a copy of the report before setting a date. *The report is now with the Clerk.*

**Resolved**

That the Clerk should send a copy of the report to Fran White so that a site visit can be arranged.

***ACTION CLERK***

**4.16. Pavement Obstruction**

Complaints have been received by the GPC concerning obstruction of the pavement outside the Dog public house by benches, chairs, tables and a dog kennel. This matter has been referred to HC Highways Department. Steven Charlton has written to the Publican requesting that furniture and other items are removed from the Highway immediately. No actions having been taken the Clerk wrote to Steven Charlton to inform him of the current situation, and also to ask for his opinion over the situation with Temple Bar and the Fish + Chip Shop. *Letters have now been sent to all parties concerned instructing them to remove the items and an order has been served on the Dog Inn under section 149 of the Highways Act 1980.*

**Resolved**

That this is noted

**4.17. Hill Lane**

Following the letter of complaint sent to HC by Mr R Curtis, to consider what actions should be taken over the poor condition of this lane. Councillor Mrs E Overstall read out an email from Steven Charlton which effectively said that it would be too expensive to reinstate this roadway

**Resolved**

That the Clerk would write to Steven Charlton thanking him for the information but requesting that costings be provided so that EHGPC may consider its options if monies became available in the future.

***ACTION CLERK***

## 5. Local Security Matters

There were no issues raised under this section

## 6. Correspondence (Not covered by separate agenda items)

- 6.1. CPRE Fieldwork - June 2004  
6.2. HC Environment Proposed Public Path Diversion to Footpath EH18 (respond by 12<sup>th</sup> July)
- Resolved**  
That the Clerk should inform HC that the Group Parish Council have no objections to this application  
**ACTION CLERK**
- 6.3. Hereford FA Development Poster and Request for support  
**Resolved**  
That the Clerk should write to explain that EHGPC are unable to make a donation.  
**ACTION CLERK**
- 6.4. Herefordshire VA Launch of Single Pot funding 26<sup>th</sup> June  
6.5. HC Environment Highway Maintenance Plan  
6.6. Herefordshire Partnership Quarterly Economic Report – May 2004  
6.7. Big Lottery Fund Consultation document – respond by 30<sup>th</sup> July 2004  
Paperwork passed to Councillor Middle
- 6.8. HC Policy + Community Community Safety Questionnaire – respond by 13<sup>th</sup> August 2004  
Paperwork passed to Councillor Mrs M Tovey
- 6.9. HC Policy + Community Rivers + flat waters feasibility study – respond by 5<sup>th</sup> July 2004  
**Resolved**  
That this study was not relevant to EHGPC
- 6.10. Community First Rural Planning for Real Consultation – respond by 28<sup>th</sup> June 2004  
Clerk has informed Community First that insufficient time was allowed for a response  
**Resolved**  
That this is noted
- 6.11. HC Environment Provision of sand bags (respond by 30<sup>th</sup> September)  
Paperwork to Councillor Sprackling
- 6.12. DEFRA Response to Ewyas Harold Common Inquiry  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.1
- 6.13. HC Environment Acknowledgement of Council’s response to Herefordshire UDP  
6.14. HC Environment Andrew Culley’s response to letter re Llangua Bridge roadworks.  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.2
- 6.15. HC Electoral Registration Monthly update for Parish of Rowstone  
6.16. HC Electoral Registration Monthly update for Parish of Ewyas Harold  
6.17. HC Electoral Registration Monthly update for Parish of Dulas  
6.18. HC Environment Steven Charlton’s response to obstructions on Highway in Ewyas Harold  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.16
- 6.19. HC Environment Copy of letter sent to Temple Bar Inn re obstructions outside their premises  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.16

- 6.20. HC Environment Copy of letter sent to Fish and Chip Shop re obstructions outside their premises  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.16
- 6.21. HC Environment Letter dated 7<sup>th</sup> June explaining refusal to change B4347 to 30mph zone  
**Resolved**  
That the Clerk should write to HC stating that as repeater signs are not in place for the 40mph zone and public opinion strongly supports the introduction of a 30mph zone the Parish Council will still continue to press for its introduction.  
**ACTION CLERK**
- 6.22. HC Environment Copy of letter to Cllr Williams dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June re extension of 30mph zone on C1213  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted
- 6.23. Mr J Rogers Acknowledgement of Council's request to reconvene Commoners Association  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.1
- 6.24. DCSW2004/1530/Q HC Planning Notice that Herefordshire County Council will raise no objection to the car wash facility at PATA  
**Resolved**  
That this noted
- 6.25. DCSW2004/1385/F HC Planning Refusal of Planning Permission for single storey extension at 2 Caeflwyn  
**Resolved**  
That this noted
- 6.26. DCSW2004/1531/Q HC Planning Notice that Herefordshire County Council will raise no objection to the skid pan facility at PATA  
**Resolved**  
That this is noted
- 6.27. DCSW2004/1532/Q HC Planning Notice that Herefordshire County Council will raise no objection to the sports pitch at PATA  
**Resolved**  
That this is noted
- 6.28. Local Works Invitation to public meeting re proposed Sustainability Communities Bill (6<sup>th</sup> July)
- 6.29. Clerks + Councils Direct July 2004 – Issue 34
- 6.30. HC Policy + Community Schedule of Meetings
- 6.31. HC Policy + Community Parish Council Liaison Survey 2004 (respond by 20<sup>th</sup> August)  
Paperwork passed to Councillor Mrs E Overstall
- 6.32. Parish Plan Networking Event 16<sup>th</sup> September 2004 - Poster and Booking Form (respond by 27<sup>th</sup> August)  
Paperwork to Councillor Mrs E Overstall
- 6.33. HC Policy + Community Parish Plan Protocol
- 6.34. HC Policy + Community May Quarterly Economic Report – Update on multiple deprivation
- 6.35. Sutcliffe Play Design + consultancy service for play areas
- 6.36. Steven Charlton Copy of email re HC's view of Hill Lane (Green Lane – U74419)  
**Resolved**  
That this was noted in item 4.17

- 6.37. CPRE Annual Report 2003/2004  
 6.38. CPRE Results of Night Blight survey in Herefordshire  
 6.39. Ewyas Harold Common Letter from Peter Jinman as Chairman of EH Common Society  
Resolved  
 That this was noted in item 4.1
- 6.40. Herefordshire UDP Copy of Mark Ponting's response to revised deposit draft (May 2004)  
Resolved  
 That this is noted

## 7. Lengthsman Scheme

- 7.1. Lengthsman work undertaken in April, May + June. The Clerk reported that he was having difficulty contacting Martin Roper and that at least 3 months of receipts were still to be presented. Councillor Middle volunteered to act as a collection point for paperwork as this was easier for Martin  
Resolved  
 That the Clerk contacts Martin Roper to request that either the Clerk or Councillor Middle be provided with the monthly work lists and the corresponding invoices.  
ACTION CLERK

## 8. Financial Report

### 8.1. Payments for approval

Clerk postage	£	23.61
Clerk travel	£	40.51
Clerk stationery	£	12.98
Clerk salary Mar-May 2004	£	796.15
Hereford Jarvis Services – Road sweep June 2004 (1.5 hours)	£	52.88
Ray Rose – Reimbursement for payment to internal auditor	£	25.00

### 8.2. Balances as at 24<sup>th</sup> June 2004

Current account	£	1032.15
Unpresented cheques	£	823.99
Cheques to be credited (pavilion hire)	£	60.00
Business Reserve	£	5884.52

### 8.3. Lengthsman Scheme

Balance (11 <sup>th</sup> June 2004)	£	3485.52
Unpresented cheques	£	3469.95
Balance available but not yet claimed	£	3183.75
Total available in current year (allocation £4,245.00)	£	6669.27

#### Resolved

That the financial statement is accepted and payments should be made  
 Proposed: Councillor Weaver  
 Seconded: Councillor Revd Rickards  
 Carried unanimously

### 8.4. Alliance + Leicester Account

Councillor Sprackling has now completed his application for the new account and has passed the paperwork onto the other signatories.

#### Resolved

That this is noted

## 9. Planning

### 9.1. Outline Planning

The Clerk was assured by Andrew Prior's office that, following a successful application for outline planning, any future application for full planning will still be required to be presented to the Parish Council for their comments prior to a decision being made by HC.

### 9.2. Application number DCSW2004/1806/O

Site	Land at The Green, Ewyas Harold, Herefordshire
Description	Site for one dwelling.
Application Type	Outline
Applicant	Miss F Powell, 9 King Street, Brynmawr.

Ratification of decision previously notified

**The Group Parish Council object to this application on the following grounds:**

<b><u>Incompatible with design of existing buildings.</u></b>	Brick building in area of stone built housing.
<b><u>Environmental damage caused by vehicle.</u></b>	Increase vehicular traffic across EH Common
<b><u>Conflict with character of area.</u></b>	Proposed development is on perimeter of common land

### 9.3. Application number DCSW2004/1891/F

Site	Priory Vale, Ewyas Harold, HR2 0HA
Description	Proposed porch
Application Type	FULL
Applicant	R Mailes, Priory Vale, Ewyas Harold

Ratification of decision previously notified

**The Group Parish Council have no objections to this application**

### 9.4. Application number DCSW2004/2178/F

Site	Kingstreet Farm, Ewyas Harold, Hereford. HR2 0HB
Description	Conversion of farm building to form warehouse and office facilities for film archive company
Application Type	Full
Applicant	Mr R Dewar + Mrs A Huntley, Huntley Film Archives, 191 Wardour Street, London. W1F 8ZE

**The Group Parish Council have no objections to this application**

## **10. Road Maintenance and Related Matters**

### **10.1. School Lane Water Leak**

Councillor Weaver reported an apparent water leak at the end of School Lane in Ewyas Harold. The Clerk has reported this problem to Welsh Water. **Item omitted from agenda therefore not discussed**

### **10.2. Overhanging Trees on A465 (Pontrilas North)**

Councillor Middle reported branches overhanging the main road opposite the blacksmith's shop in Pontrilas.

#### **Resolved**

That the Clerk would report this problem to the Highways Department

**ACTION CLERK**

### **10.3. Overgrown hedge Elmdale**

The hedge between little white walkway and the fire station is dangerously overgrown.

#### **Resolved**

That the Clerk would ask Martin Roper to attend to this in his role as Lengthsman

**ACTION CLERK**

### **10.4. Brown Sign Rowstone Church**

It was suggested that, given it was a site of special interest, Rowstone Church should apply for Brown Sign status.

#### **Resolved**

That the Clerk finds out how the Parish Council could apply for such a sign

**ACTION CLERK**

## **11. Footpaths**

### **11.1. Bridleway between Great Walk Mill Farm and E H Common (EH19)**

Councillor Preece reported that the gate post at the Common entrance has dropped. The post needs securing and the gate re-hanging

#### **Resolved**

That the Clerk report this to the Footpaths Officer

**ACTION CLERK**

### **11.2. Footpath to Spring Field Cottages (? Continuation of EH19)**

Councillor Preece reported that the steel reinforcing on the bridge over Dulas Brook is rusting and in need of repair.

#### **Resolved**

That the Clerk report this to the Footpaths Officer

**ACTION CLERK**

## **12. Recreation Ground**

### **12.1. Pre-School Sports Day**

The Parish Council decided to waive charges for the use of the pavilion on 15<sup>th</sup> July in line with their policy of not charging community functions.

#### **RESOLVED**

That the Clerk would inform Alison Bowler of the Council's decision

**ACTION CLERK**

## 12.2. Monthly Audit

Councillor Revd Rickards reported that at the monthly audit of the recreation area the following faults were noted:

- Posts needed fixing in the fencing at the bottom LH corner by the river.
- Main gate needed tidying up.
- Gate signs had been removed and needed replacing.
- Extra bark was required for the play area.
- Swing nearest to the playground was cracked.
- Swings needed oiling.
- Clock in pavilion is broken.
- Tile in gulley on pavilion is broken.
- Climbing frame bars needed tightening.
- Pavilion door needs repainting (future job).
- New lid is required on bin.
- Slat is missing from log platform.

### Resolved

That Councillor Sprackling would arrange for these jobs to be undertaken

That the Clerk would raise an order for more bark (at the site visit of Fran White she would be asked about the suitability of using playgrade wood chips in the future)

That the Clerk would obtain prices for replacement signs.

ACTION GS +

CLERK

## 13. Parish Newsletter

### 13.1. July Draft

There was a discussion about the contents of the July issue and the method of publication.

#### Resolved

That Isabelle Devereaux and Councillor Revd Rickards would liaise about the content of the item on the Common.

That the issue would be produced as 2 sheets on the gestetner copier and that the Clerk would get the copies to Councillors Mrs J Addis and Mrs M Tovey for stapling and distribution.

ACTION ID, LR, JA, MT + CLERK

## 14. Matters for Further Discussion

### 14.1. Kemble Housing at Oakbrook Close

Councillor Mrs J Addis reported that one of the new properties built by the Kemble Housing Association for shared ownership had remained empty for 6 months. This did not seem to support the housing associations claim on their planning application that shared ownership was popular.

#### Resolved

That the Clerk would write to Kemble Housing to express the Council's concerns over the empty property and request that it be made available for rental.

**14.2. Telephone Box in Rowlestone**

Councillor P Sheen reported that BT had placed a notice in the public telephone at Rowlestone announcing that it was to be removed. There was a 42 day consultation period which would apparently expire before the end of July.

**Resolved**

That the Clerk would write to BT objecting to the removal on the grounds it being an area of very poor mobile phone reception and questioning why this was not the subject of a preservation order as was the case for the one in Ewyas Harold village.

**ACTION CLERK**

**Post meeting note: The Clerk has now received notice of the proposed action with the consultation period set to end on August 17<sup>th</sup>.**

Meeting closed at 10.25pm

Chairman

Date

<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	Tuesday August 3rd 2004
	Meetings for the remainder of the year and 2005
	September 7th 2004 provisional
	October 5th 2004
	November 2nd 2004
	December 7th 2004
	January 4th 2005
	February 1st 2005
	March 1st 2005