**EGGLESCLIFFE AREA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (EARA)**

**MINUTES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Monday 9th August 2021, at 7:00pm**

**Online via Zoom­**

Present: Shane Sellers, Neville Thompson, Norman Douglas, Brian Robinson, Richard Crouch, Jan Crouch. Kathie Hatfield and councillor Maureen Rigg.

1. **Welcome**

Shane welcomed and thanked those present for their attendance online.

1. **Apologies**

Doug Nicholson, councillor Maureen Rigg, Kathie Hatfield and Norman Douglas.

1. **Egglescliffe Scarecrow Festival**

Shane informed the meeting that the scarecrow festival was still going ahead in September, albeit, take up at this time has been relatively slow.

Ruth informed the meeting that she was going to take part in this event and requested a number of posters to put around Egglescliffe. Brian and Rosey Thompson also wanted a number of posters, Brian for St John’s Church, and Rosey to put in shops around Egglescliffe and Yarm.

Rosey Thompson was still looking at potential stall holders for the village green, and had identified someone who was interested in carrying out a children’s sports event on the day. This was still being pursued and Rosey believed that this person had all the relevant documentation to undertake this role.

Shane asked all members to enaourage residents’ to take part in this event.

1. **Defibrillator**

Shane received an email from the North East Ambulance Service (NEAS) that the defibrillator at Egglescliffe Parish Hall had been deployed, but not used. He checked the device to confirm that it had not been used, sanitised the defibrillator and notified (NEAS) that it was ready for public use again.

He stated EARA needed to purchase a spare iPad AED Starter Kit and defibrillation adult/pediatric pads in the event the others are used. Members agreed to this purchase, which Shane would arrange.

1. **Finance**

Nev confirmed that, at long last, EARA now had internet banking.

There were a small number of claims to be submitted to Nev for payment, these related mainly for the purchase of flowers.

Our balance currently stands at £1784.91.

1. **Any other Business**

Richard and Jan informed members that the barrels at the top of Stoney Bank would be cleared towards the end of September. They also asked if anyone would like to take over the role with regards the Wara Memorial, as they were looking to step down in 2022.

New miniature tulips had been bought for the tubs, these being Calgary, which were quite small.

The War Memorial Garden will be looking good for Remembrance Sunday on 14th November 2021.

Nev inquired when the iron work around the bin at the top of Stoney Bank would be put in place. Councillor Houghton stated that the paving that had been laid needed to be be re-laid, as a grass cutter had gone over it causing the paving to move.

Brian stated that work on the church wall that was leaning out over the path would start soon, and the pat itself closed whilst the work was ongoing.

Councillor Houghton said that a planning application for building work next to the tattoo shop on Yarm Road had been made. This would improve the area around the traffic lights.

1. **Next Meeting** – The next meeting of the EARA committee would take place at 7:00pm on Monday 6th September 2021, via Zoom.