

**Minutes of the General Meeting of Elmsted Parish Council
held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 4th March 2014**

Present	Cllr Argar in the Chair	Cllr Burge
	Cllr Castle	Cllr Francesconi
	Cllr Phipps	Cllr Rountree

There was one member of the public in attendance.

Cllr Fox sent his apologies for absence.

Cllr Argar declared an interest in the planning application for North Leigh.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as a true record.

War Memorial

The Clerk has secured funding for the cost of a replacement war memorial fence and the installation of it. This will be metal railings which will be powder coated in green. All were in favour and the work will go ahead once funds have been received from District/Borough and County Councils covering both Hastingleigh and Elmsted.

Correspondence

The Clerk had received and circulated correspondence, the latest being about the wind turbine. It was felt that the Parish Council did not need to be involved at this time but should a request for assistance be brought to the Parish Council, the matter would be discussed again.

Financial Statement was approved.

There were no cheques to be signed.

Planning

A Planning Application has been received for North Leigh. This is a re-application as the permission has now expired. There were no objections raised, the Clerk is to liaise with Shepway this time due to Cllr Argar's declaration of interest.

Public Participation

The public were disappointed with the lack of attendance at the meetings by the District and County Councillors. The Council felt that the County Councillor would be very busy and as the District Councillor for the North Downs West Ward is now the Leader of Shepway Council.

The member of public also questioned whether the planning permission for an extension to Forge House was agreed, this has been agreed.

Any Other Business

The Road Closure along the road from Glory Lane to Hill Street is still in situ with no news of a completion date as yet.

Pot Holes continue to be an issue.

The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday, 6th May 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 7.55 PM.