

**BREIF SUMMARY OF MAIN POINTS DISCUSSED
AT THE ELMER SANDS LIMITED
MEETING SEPTEMBER 2019**

These are not the official Minutes of the Meeting

New Directors - The ESL Council has co-opted two new Directors – Jane Harvey and Steven Hayward.

Street Lighting Upgrade – An order has been placed with SSE Enterprise. Date for installation to be agreed.

Emergency Contingency Plan – The Chairman is liaising with volunteers to set a date for an Elmer Sands resilience exercise.

Entrance Security – ESL will hold a de-brief meeting with Invictus Security to discuss Member feedback and various issues arising from the Contract.

Surface Water Drainage – A meeting has taken place with WSCC and LandBuild to discuss snagging and the completion of the Surface Water Drainage Project.

Membership Fees – Reminder Notices were posted during the Summer. Fifteen payments are still outstanding for 2019.

Director's & Officer's Insurance – The Policy has been renewed for the coming year with no increase or amendments.

Members Questionnaire – During the Summer Directors held an additional meeting specifically to analyse the data collected from the Questionnaires. The Council has already agreed on a number of actions to deliver improvements which Members can recognise as a result of their feedback. These will be implemented as time allows. In some cases, the Company's Policies and documents need to be reviewed and amended requiring legal advice. Members will be updated as applicable and are thanked for their patience.

Parking – The overall management of parking on the Estate has been good during the year with minimal reports of non-compliance from residents. ESL will continue to operate the current system with 'One Parking Solution' who issue charges as required. The increased enforcement of yellow lines along the Elmer road is due to commence in 2020.

Planning and Development – A sub-committee of four Directors is monitoring development on the Estate. ESL Policy on development is currently being reviewed.

Social Events – Many thanks to all those involved in the running of the recent community BBQ at the Kiosk and for to all those who attended. There were around 60 in total, making it an enjoyable event. A charity Coffee Morning is planned for 22nd September. It is hoped that there will be a Halloween event for children. ESL is looking for more volunteers to assist with events, please contact the Secretary.

Playing Field Fence – ESL is looking at replacing the fence which has been deteriorating for some time and continues to be vandalised on a regular basis. The general agreement is to try and open up the view to the field whilst ensuring road safety measures are in place.

Benches – ESL is currently investigating options for replacing the wooden slats on the Sun Deck benches for easier maintenance. Quotations are being looked at for re-formed plastic.

Entrances – The current ESL policy is not to use pesticide weed-killers for Estate maintenance and Directors continue to seek more effective chemical free alternatives. It has been agreed that the entrances will benefit from smartening up.

Roads Maintenance – ESL has undertaken a thorough survey of the Estate roads with regular contractor Thompsons Civil Engineering. Final schedules and costs have been agreed and will include some minor outstanding surface water drain work.

2020 Membership Fees – Budget forecasts have been analysed and the Fees for next year agreed with an inflationary increase. Members will receive a letter of explanation and notice of the fees in late November/early December.

New Treasurer – The Contract was advertised on the Estate Notice Boards and the Estate's Facebook Community Page. Applicants were invited to attend a meeting with ESL and put forward their tenders. As a result, the Council is pleased to announce that it has awarded the Contract to Mrs Judith Bradford.

A big THANK YOU to Belinda Wells who has served as Treasurer to the Company for over 15 years. The ESL Council is grateful to Belinda for her reliable and committed service and wishes her and her family all the best for the future.

Next Meeting 7th October 2019

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