

## ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014 in the Market Hall at 7.30pm

**Present** Cllr K Blue (Chairman) Cllrs M Lewis, M Coates, E Potter, P Knowles and Mary Jenkin  
Clerk, C J Elphick  
District Councilor Adrian Todd  
County Councilor Libby Bateman  
Ten members of the public

**Apologies for absence** had been received from Cllr S Dunning

#### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in any item on this agenda.

**Minutes of the Meeting** held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014 had been circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

#### **Children's Play Area**

Chris Elphick reported that the Playground Committee had held an inaugural meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

It was noted that Menna Lewis and Chris Elphick had been members of the former playground committee from 1996-1998. That committee arranged for the installation of the present equipment to replace the original items installed in 1966. Press cuttings of the occasion were circulated plus a copy of the book "Memories of Orton" which was produced by that committee to raise funds.

The Objectives of the committee were stated as

1. To work on the design, layout and specification of new equipment to replace and augment existing items
2. Organise fundraising events and apply for grants
3. Liaise with Orton School to ensure pupil involvement.

The independent annual inspection report had been received since the committee meeting. This indicated that most items require only relatively minor safety repairs and replacements. An initial suggested replacement scheme by Playdale had been quoted at approximately £55,000.

#### **Meet the Councillors**

Everyone is invited to a meeting of Eden District Council's Executive to discuss opportunities and issues for the local area in **ORTON MARKET HALL, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 6.00pm**

#### **Great North Air Ambulance**

A request for funds had been received from the GNAA which is funded entirely by voluntary contributions. The sum of £200 was awarded.

#### **Finance**

##### Accounts for payment

C J Elphick (Month 7)	£ 336.00
HMRC (Month 7)	£ 84.00
Lynne Potter (66)	£ 210.00
Scottish Hydro Electric (Toilets)	£ 69.82
United Utilities	£ 118.68
GNAA	£ 200.00
Play Inspection Company Ltd	£ 71.94

The foregoing seven items were approved for payment

