

EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 5th February 2013

At 1930

In the Village Hall

PRESENT: M de Pass, M Holden, R Choules, P Martin, N Coupe, J Kunkler, PCSO M Camilleri

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: G Cooper, C Elliott, G Webb

MINUTES: The Minutes of the meeting held on 6th November 2012 and Minutes of Special Meetings held on 18th December 2012 and 8th January 2013, having been circulated, were approved and signed

CLERK'S REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN SINCE LAST MEETING TOGETHER WITH CORRESPONDENCE:

- Area Board Meeting held on 14th January 2013 at which the Orchard and Woodland Project was awarded a grant of £1,500.
- Easton Royal Emergency Plan, Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service are able to help with updating /creating an emergency plan.
- Pewsey has a new Blogsite on which anyone may post news and glean information <http://pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/>
- Next Area Board meeting Monday 11th March 2013 7.00pm Pewsey Vale School
- Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group meetings. Pewsey has now defined the Area for the plan and Easton Royal will now be one of 9 Primary consultees. Wiltshire Council has advised that this is the correct way forward. Pewsey will now submit a formal application.
- Letter received from W & K Nimmo-Scott supporting Car park but please consider the site in view of the fact that a new Village Hall might be proposed. A number of other parishioners also sent letters or emails both in support of and against a car park.
- Reply from Esther Daly stiles project nearly complete held up by the ground conditions.

REPORT FROM J KUNKLER

- The new Highways Contract has been awarded to Atkins
- The Libraries are safe and the volunteers will remain in post
- The Pewsey Campus has reached another milestone and is progressing well
- Pewsey Parish Council are taking over the Car Parks in Pewsey in order to keep them free but this may result in funding request from Parish Councils.
- Potholes are a major issue and the highways budget will be focused on these areas.

REPORT FROM PCSO 6188 MELISSA CAMILLERI

- Public consultation to be held 27th February 2013 from 1100 outside the Village Hall
- Further dog attacks on livestock have caused distress to sheep. Any cases witnessed should be reported to both the Police on 101 and to John Quinn Wiltshire council dog Warden
- There have a number of Non-dwelling burglaries and Vehicle damage in the area
- Be aware, be safe and lock it up
- There has been a marked increase in Hare Coursing of late and this is one of the Policing Priorities – please report any suspicious activity

- Esther Daly (Footpaths Officer Wiltshire council) may be able to supply signs requesting 'Dogs on Leads'

REPORT FROM EASTON ROYAL SCHOOL now: Easton Royal Academy

- The School has identified the playground shelter and toy shed as the next project for refurbishment and will be seeking grants to help cover the costs. Capital grants are now only £4,500 per annum and this includes ICT
- The School was awarded a PAWS (participatory arts workshop scheme) project enabling every child and member of staff to work on a clay mosaic as part of the 'under sea' theme. This mosaic is now in place at the front of the school.
- With the change of name, the school will be getting a new sign and seeks to have a smaller one on the bank in front of the School. Parish Council agreed that this would be a sound move.
- The Christmas events were well attended and the Junior Class Fayre stalls raised enough money to fund a Pear Tree for the Recreation ground as well as send £70 to Shelter to support homeless people at Christmas.
- Upcoming events are now on the School's Website www.eroyal.wiltsh.sch.uk
- Snow Closure. The school was closed for both the Friday and Monday. The gradient and sheet ice from Easton House to the Church were the limiting factors for the safety of both drivers and pedestrians. On Monday both Staff and Parents were involved in salting so that the School could open on Tuesday. The new grit bin was a tremendous help. With the hand gritter stored at Manor Farm it may be possible to organise a Community Gritting project for future episodes.
- Excalibur Academies Trust. Easton Royal and St John's have formed the EAT and Burbage will be joining EAT on 1st April 2013 as a sponsored Trust within Excalibur. Admissions to St John's are the same as before with no increased rating for children from Excalibur academies.
- Easton Royal has become an Admissions Authority and the policy is out for consultation currently. This policy is the same as that of the county with an additional category for siblings of children at St John's to enter before 'any other' applicants.
- The ICT Project offering help to villagers is still ongoing with the Children in the Juniors offering to share their skills in ICT. With the new addition of an iPad and Digital camera the range of help has now expanded.

PLANNING: The following applications were approved at the meeting, proposed by M Holden and seconded by P Martin

Existing Applications outcomes

E/2012/1246/TCA Little Thatch work on Trees **Approved**

New Applications since last meeting

E/2012/1331/FUL Cobbetts Erection of Greenhouse **Approved**

E/2012/1372/FUL Manor Farm Change of roofing material **Approved**

E/2012/1407/S73 Avon Cottage Time extension on E/10/0046 **Approved**

E/2012/1463/FUL Old Forge resubmission of E/2012/0106/FUL **Approved**

E/2012/1443/TCA Redroof Work on Trees Cons Area **Approved**

E/2013/0073/TCA Chantry Cottage Work on Trees Cons Area

FINANCE: Proposed by M Holden and seconded by R Choules, the following Payments were approved

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| H D T Helps | 420.00 |
| Vitaplay | 265.66 |

The following Payment approved at Special Meeting of 8th January 2013

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| Easton Royal Orchard and Woodland Project | 300.00 |
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ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- Street light outside Easton House is faulty- to be reported to Clarence
- Community Grit spreading was discussed further and this will be put in the next newsletter as would an item on control of dogs
- The need for a Defibrillator was raised and an update will be sought from Caroline Brailey
- The pavement on the B3087 was deteriorating with a substantial quantity of material from the breakup of the road being deposited thereon.
- The issue of the Car Park was discussed. A number of letters in support and against any change to the existing car park had been received. No firm ideas have yet to be proposed but it was felt that the Village Hall Committee might hold an open meeting so that the options could be put forward.
- Elections for Wiltshire Council and Easton Royal Parish Council will be held on 2nd May 2013. R Choules and P Martin declared they would not be standing for election as parish councillors

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 7th May 2013 after the Annual Parish Meeting