EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT EASTON ROYAL VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 16th JULY 2015 AT 19.30

PRESENT:

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Margaret Holden, Colin Sibun, Simon Riley and Pauline Archer (Clerk)

Members of the public: Jerry Kunkler (Wiltshire Councillor)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Christopher Elliott, Graham Cooper, and Mark de Pass

TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2015 having now been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

REPORT FROM EASTON ROYAL ACADEMY

None

REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE

None

REPORT FROM WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR (Jerry Kunkler)

A replacement for Stephen Matthews Wiltshire Highways has been confirmed as David Arnup, and a replacement for Caroline Brailey (Community Engagement Manager) confirmed as Ros Griffiths.

A discussion took place concerning the 20mph speed limit proposal for Easton Royal Street. The cost of the project is £3,000 which is within the budget of £12,000 for the Community Area Transport Group. However, consideration needs to give to the Woodborough scheme which is c£20,000. The next CATG meeting is 14th October. Cedric Hollinsworth will try to attend the meeting and consideration should be given to a village petition to support the application. Also the Parish Council may be asked to contribute 10% to the cost of the scheme.

The defibrillator Area Board Grant was discussed and Mark de Pass will put forward a request for funding at the next Area Board meeting in September.

A discussion took place about the recent planning application approval at 72 Easton Royal. Both the Parish Council and local residents were disappointed to see that this had been approved given the degree of local objection. Concern was raised about the Highways submission which it was felt did not fully consider the narrowness of the lane, on street parking and the dangerous junction. Any difficulty with road access and vehicles parked in the lane will be become a matter for the police. Further concern was raised about the Highways submission for Follets which has now been amended following a meeting with

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local Parishioners. Again certain issues had not been accurately identified and it was felt that in both cases there had been a lack of due diligence.

ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None

CLERK'S REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN SINCE THE LAST MEETING.

All noted.

- -The Clerk is to continue finalising details of the 21 year lease to SSE, with a draft document and opinion from Landsdown Legal having been circulated and agreed by the Parish Council. The lease granted to SSE will need to be registered with the Land Registry and therefore they will need to see the Recreation Ground deeds as the Recreation Ground land is unregistered. It was agreed that the Clerk should subsequently look into the cost of registering the Recreation Ground with the Land Registry.
- -The Clerk will put the request for a donation from the Holy Trinity Church on the Agenda for the next meeting

PLANNING:

Existing Applications outcomes:

15/02601/FUL/LBC	The White House erection of	Approved
	lean to green house to shed	
15/05129/FUL	Follets replacement dwelling	Approved
15/01892/FUL	72 Easton Royal new	Approved
	dwelling	

New Applications since last meeting:

15/06546/TCA/TPO	The Old Vicarage works to	No objection*
	trees	

^{*}All members of the Parish Council in attendance agreed (email support from Mark de Pass)

FINANCE:

Payments made:

Grass seed (Mrs Duncan)	£17.49
Bawdens Grass cutting	£168.23
Annual contribution to Mr and Mrs Helps	£50.00
for quad mower	
Bawdens Grass cutting	£168.23
Clerk salary (April-June)	£448.00

Payments to approve:

Grass seed Recreation ground (Mrs Duncan)	£17.49*	

^{*}Approved by Cedric Hollinsworth seconded Colin Sibun

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Payments received:

Area Board Grant (Footpath improvement	£600.00
group)	
SSE back payment of overdue rent	£175.00

REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO

Mark de Pass

Attended the Area Board Meeting

Margaret Holden

All minutes from PCAP meetings have been circulated to Councillors.

Cedric Hollinsworth

Portfolio report circulated and noted. Some pothole repairs on the B3087 have now been completed.

A discussion took place on the future lack of services from Wiltshire Council to maintain drains and verges. This will put further burden on Parish Council funds and/or the need to organise working parties. It was suggested that the Parish Council could allocate some of the Village Betterment budget towards paying someone to undertake certain projects in the village. This should be discussed further at the next Parish Council meeting.

Graham Cooper

Nothing to report (see comments below)

Colin Sibun

Portfolio report circulated and noted.

The school have started to use the Recreation Ground for school sports. The Clerk has submitted the first invoice for £250 which has now been paid. The school contract has yet to be signed. The Woodland group continue to make improvements which are much appreciated.

The Playground is due its annual inspection in September. This may highlight the need to do further work. The possibility of applying for an Area Board Grant for refurbishment was discussed. It would require a group of Parishioners to support this. A meeting to discuss this further with the Village Hall was suggested.

Simon Riley

Church report circulated and noted. The recent Pimms Party and fete had been very successful and raised substantial funds.

More needs to be done to involve the Parish in the Church's ongoing financial issues.

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Christopher Elliott

Portfolio report circulated and noted.

Cedric Hollinsworth will write to Mr and Mrs Wells to express thanks for the permissive footpath which has become popular with Parishioners.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The Council went into closed sessions to discuss the confidential item. It was agreed that the advice received would be actioned once costs had been determined.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

Meeting Closed at 21.10

Date of the next meeting Thursday 17th September 2015