EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT EASTON ROYAL VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 19.30

PRESENT:

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Margaret Holden, Christopher Elliott, Simon Riley, Mark de Pass and Pauline Archer (Clerk)

Members of the public: Two Parishioners

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Colin Sibun, Graham Cooper, Jerry Kunkler (Wiltshire Council), Teresa Herbert (Wiltshire Police), Beck Stubbs (Easton Royal Academy)

TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Christopher Elliott declared an interest in any future planning discussions/appeals relating to Follets.

MINUTES:

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16th July 2015 having now been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

REPORT FROM EASTON ROYAL ACADEMY

The Clerk relayed a telephone report from Beck Stubbs. The school are now using the Recreation Ground for sporting activities. At the moment this is Monday afternoons. The school are pleased with this initiative, and Beck Stubbs will keep us informed of further use. They also intend to use the Recreation Ground for nature activities which has been discussed with The Woodland Group. A staggered morning start has been implemented which hopefully is helping with parking issues and traffic near the school.

REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE (Teresa Herbert)

Police report circulated.

The Parish Council remain concerned at the level of speeding on the main road. A regular dialogue is maintained with the Neighbourhood Policing Team, and it remains a priority.

REPORT FROM WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR (Jerry Kunkler)

None

ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None

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

All items noted.

-The Parish Council agreed to give financial support to The Holy Trinity Church for the upkeep of the Cemetery and Churchyard.

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All Parish Councillors were in favour of a £1000 donation for this specific purpose, in line with previous years.

- -PCAP request for funding no longer required. It is anticipated that the Area Board will find such funding in order that the organisation can be maintained. (PCAP supports 24 Parish Councils).
- -The Parish Council have considered the criteria for funding through the NALC (National Association of Local Councils) in support of the requirements to meet the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities.

The Clerk will discuss some issues with WALC and complete the application.

-The Clerk was asked to reply on behalf of the Council to the issue of animal husbandry.

PLANNING:

Existing Applications outcomes:

15/06546/TCA/TPO	The Old Vicarage works to	Approved
	trees	
15/07177/FUL	The Bruce Arms change of	Approved
	use of land from agricultural	
	to campsite	

New Applications since last meeting:

15/08728/TCA	Pathways, Burbage Road	No objection
	pollard one Willow	

Follets

The Parish Council have been made aware of an impending Appeal for the refusal of the Planning Application for Follets (14/09221/FUL).

To date no documents or information has been received by the Parish Council or Wiltshire Council Planning Department. All documents previously submitted would be made available to the Planning Inspector. It was agreed that the Parish Council would submit any further comments once the appeal documents had been received.

The Parish Council are aware of the new comments raised by the Highways Officer after a recent site visit. It is important that this new information is considered.

A discussion took place on the merits of completing a Neighbourhood Development Plan. It was suggested that discussions with Wootton Rivers Parish Council who are in the process of completing one might be helpful.

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FINANCE:

Payments made:

Bawdens Grass cutting	£168.23
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Payments to approve:

None	

Payments received:

None	

REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO

Mark de Pass

The Area Board Grant of £500 towards the defibrillator has been agreed. There are now sufficient funds for one defibrillator, likely to be positioned at the Village Hall.

A meeting is to take place on the 9th October with local MP Clare Perry to discuss ambulances response times and the provision of defibrillators in rural areas. The fundraising team are hopefully that a second defibrillator will be made available.

The Parish Council would like to thank the fundraising team, in particular Fiona de Pass for the hard work and success in providing for a defibrillator for the village.

Margaret Holden

Other items from the Area Board included

- -A lengthy discussions on the Pewsey Campus scheme, and the likelihood of a reduced scheme (single storey now being proposed).
- -The next Pewsey Area Crime and Community Safety meeting 28th October with Angus Mcpherson PCC in October, all Parish Councils are encouraged to attend.
- -Healthwatch CQC (Care Quality Commission) at Swindon Great Western Hospital. Various consultations are taking place.
- -Information was provided on the recent play area at Wilcot including costing and grants applications.

The Clerk will keep such information which may be useful if the Village playground is updated or replaced.

Cedric Hollinsworth

Highways report submitted.

The Parish Council remain concerned at the lack of services provided by Wiltshire Council, and the impact of the change in service provider. Any reported incidents in the village are to be made through the online system where they will be prioritised.

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None	
Graham Coope	r
None	
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Colin Sibun

Christopher Elliott

Portfolio report circulated.

The Parish Council noted the allocation of funds and grants, and the agreed expenditure on future projects.

-Christopher Elliott proposed that a further £50 be paid to Mr and Mrs Helps for use of the ride on mower to assist in the upkeep of certain footpaths.

All Parish Councillors in favour of this payment, and an invoice to be provided to the Clerk for payment.

Simon Riley

Church report circulated and noted. Fundraising efforts are continuing the church is considering the costs of providing a toilet and Kitchenette.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

-An email from PCAP asking Parish Councils to write to their Local Councillor in support of maintaining the waste recycling facilities at Everleigh.

All agreed, Clerk to write.

-Details had been received from Wiltshire Council following the nomination by CAMRA (Campaign for Real Ale) to list The Bruce Arms as an Asset of Community Value.

The Parish Council was in support of this proposal and the Clerk will reply.

-Concern was expressed over the volume of large HGV using the road from Easton Royal through to Ram Alley.

The Parish Council to pass on their concerns to Cllr Jerry Kunkler and Cllr Stuart Wheeler.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The Council went into closed sessions and members of the public were asked to leave the meeting.

The Clerk reported that quotes were still awaited, and they would be chased up. It was agreed that the issue should also be raised with the Monitoring Officer at Wiltshire Council.

Meeting Closed at 21.30

Date of the next meeting Thursday 19th November 2015