

EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT EASTON ROYAL VILLAGE HALL
ON THURSDAY 14TH APRIL 2016
AT 19:30

PRESENT:

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Margaret Holden, Christopher Elliott, Mark de Pass, Graham Cooper, Colin Sibun, Anna Patterson and Pauline Archer (Clerk)

Jerry Kunkler (Wiltshire Councillor), Ann Parry (Chair of Governors Easton Royal Academy)

Members of the public: One Parishioner.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Teresa Herbert (Wiltshire Police).

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Anna Patterson item 10. The Old Post Office.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th February 2016 having been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Jerry Kunkler was invited to give his report first as he had to leave the meeting early.

6. REPORT FROM JERRY KUNKLER (WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR)

Plans for the Vale Health and Wellbeing centre in Pewsey are just going through planning. It is anticipated that work will commence in September 2016.

Jerry Kunkler agreed to raise the issue of large vehicles using the Ram Alley to Easton Royal road at the next CATG meeting.

From 1st April Ringway have taken over the Highways contract. The Parish Steward scheme will be reintroduced in the Autumn.

Everleigh recycling remains open for the time being but Wiltshire Council are being pressed for a commitment to keep it open.

Jerry Kunkler left the meeting.

4. REPORT FROM EASTON ROYAL ACADEMY (ANN PAREY CHAIR OF GOVERNORS)

Ann Parry was welcomed to the meeting as part of the new arrangement of a Governor of the school attending.

The school is thriving since converting to an Academy in 2012 and belongs to the Excalibur Academies Trust. It has become more sustainable in terms of children attending and is currently full.

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The use of the Recreation Ground has made a positive contribution to School Sports and the use of the Woodland area for nature projects is being enjoyed by pupils.

The issue of dog fouling was raised and the Parish Council has put up new notices on the Recreation Ground and a village web email has been sent to ensure that people clean up after dogs.

There was a discussion about the parking concerns raised by residents when there is a larger event at the School. Some residents have asked that the School provide more information about likely traffic issues when they know that they may occur. It was stated that information could be placed on the School website calendar and it was proposed that a link to the School calendar could also be put on the Village website. Any major events could also be notified on the Village website where appropriate. The use of the Village Notice Boards for special events would also be helpful.

Morning and afternoon School traffic was also discussed especially in the light of the proposed 20mph limit in the village. Council Members expressed concern at the speed and lack of care taken by some parents. With no pavements in the village, all traffic users need to take extra care. It was felt that the School taxi was frequently travelling at excess speed. It was requested that the Principal has a discussion with parents to emphasis the speeding concerns.

Christopher Elliott pointed out that the improvement in Village footpaths would enable a route to the school for children to walk to which would be away from the Village street.

Anne Parry agreed to raise these issues with the Principal and other Governors.

Anne was thanked for attending and left the meeting.

5. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE.

Police report circulated. The increase in non-dwelling burglaries was noted, including one within the Parish.

7. ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

None issues previously discussed

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

Thank you for a donation from Victim Support and PCAP noted.

9. VILLAGE NOTICE BOARDS.

Awaiting quotes.

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10. PLANNING

Existing Applications outcomes:

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| Appeal APP/Y3940/W/15/3134153 | Follets | Dismissed |
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| 16/02202/TCA | Easton Barns reduce conifer hedge | No Objection/Approved |
| 16/02205/TCA | Old Post Office fell conifer hedge | No Objection/Approved |

New Applications since last meeting:

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| 16/02861/FUL | Easton Royal Academy retention of mobile classroom | No Objection |
| 16/03005/FUL | 72 Easton Royal two storey extension. Single storey sunroom and single garage | No Objection |

11. FINANCE

1. Approval of payments

Payments made:

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| Clerk's Computer and software* | £391.94 |
| CPRE subscription | £36.00 |
| Victim Support donation | £25.00 |
| PCAP donation | £50.00 |
| Clerk's expenses (£60 transparency code*) | £89.75 |
| Clerk's computer set up and training* | £75.00 |
| Web Hosting for eastonroyal.org* | £70.00 |
| Clerk's salary (additional £54*) | £502.00 |

*Transparency code grant.

Payments to approve:

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| LCR Magazine | £17.00 |
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Agreed Cedric Hollinsworth seconded Margaret Holden

Payments Received:

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| Easton Royal Academy (1 st March-30 th May) | £250.00 |
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2. Review draft 31.03. 2016 Parish Council Accounts

The Clerk had circulated the draft accounts. It was noted that reserves had increased from £4,119 to £6,416 (including VAT). Certain Grant funding had not yet been spent and would carry forward into 2016.

The Clerk is to arrange for the Internal Audit of the Accounts as part of the Audit Requirements.

12. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2015/2016

The Clerk had circulated the Annual Governance Statement prior to the meeting. The Clerk read through all of the Statements.

All members of the Parish Council were satisfied that all Statements could be answered Yes and the Statement should be approved by the Parish Council.

13. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO

-Mark de Pass

A meeting had taken place following the Emergency Planning Workshop. The Parish Council wish to put in place an Emergency Plan as suggested.

-Margaret Holden

Area Board and PCAP meeting attended minutes now circulated. If Parish Councils feel that their comments relating to planning applications are not taken on board, then this should be taken up with Mike Wilmot Principal Planning Officer.

-Cedric Hollinsworth

Report circulated. The consultation for the 20mph has been completed. Awaiting signage.

-Anna Patterson

Report circulated. The Kitchen/toilet project still under consideration and will need to be put to the Village. Anna Patterson to attend the PCC AGM on 24th April.

-Colin Sibun

Report circulated. A working party has been established to complete the repairs to the Playground following the Area Board grant. The Playground will remain closed until such work has been completed.

-Graham Cooper

No new information to report.

-Christopher Elliott

Four new gates have been constructed over the winter following various working parties. The bridleway opposite The Bruce Arms is being used by vehicles and on a few occasions the stakes that had been put in to stop the use by vehicles have been removed.

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It was proposed to place a notice on one of the stakes reminding users that the track is not for the use by vehicles. This use is eroding and damaging the surface for other users. The notice will also ask that any vehicles seen be reported to the Clerk so that action may be taken to stop the illegal use of the bridleway. It was suggested that a similar notice be placed in the Bruce Arms if the Landlord agrees.

All agreed with this course of action.

14. PLANNING FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Short reports and presentation from Councillors. Publicity by way of email of notice boards.

15. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The Council went into Closed session and members of the public were asked to leave. Awaiting registration details from the Land Registry. Once completed Councillors to review all documents with a view to engaging in further discussions to bring about a resolution.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council Thursday 12th May 2016