

EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT EASTON ROYAL VILLAGE HALL
ON THURSDAY 6th April 2017
AT 19:30

PRESENT:

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Margaret Holden, Mark de Pass, Colin Sibun, Graham Cooper, Anna Patterson and Pauline Archer (Clerk)
Members of the public: None.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Christopher Elliott, Wiltshire Police.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

Mark de Pass, Planning Application at Easton Manor

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 17th November 2016 having been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. REPORT FROM EASTON ROYAL ACADEMY (Beck Stubbs Principal)

The School Report was circulated prior to the meeting and will be put on the Village Website. Parish Councillors appreciated the detailed report and suggested that this could be circulated to villages via the Village email. It was suggested that Beck Stubbs included details of how Villagers could get involved with the school. There is a requirement for voluntary help with walking children to the Recreation Ground for PE, which takes place once a week. In addition, the school is looking to appoint two new Community Governors.

5. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY POLICE

Monthly reports are provided by Wiltshire police, which are circulated and put on the Village website. Additional police reports are also circulated via Community Messaging. This is also circulated by email to Villages.

6. REPORT FROM WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR (Jerry Kunkler)

Wiltshire Council continues to take measures to balance the budget. In line with many Councils, the Council tax is to be increased by 4.9%. (including adult social care precept).

-Unitary elections are to be held on the 4th May, Jerry Kunkler has put himself forward together with a Liberal Democrat and Labour candidate. Elections are to be held at the same time as the Parish Council elections (7 seats, 8 candidates).

-Next Area Board 22nd May. A total grant budget of £36,000 is likely for the Area Board.

-CATG regarding the use of large vehicles through Ram Alley and Easton Royal is still an issue for the Parish. It was suggested that appropriate signage indicating that the route is unsuitable for Heavy vehicles would be appropriate.

-It was noted that Richard Dobson has been listed as the area contact for Highways. A discussion took place about the lack of work completed by the Parish Steward. This is despite the submission of the Parish's monthly priority list, and discussions held between the Parish Steward and Cedric Hollinsworth. Jerry Kunkler to look into this further.

7. ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None.

8. RECREATION GROUND TREE SURVEY BAWDENS (£180 PLUS VAT)

Noted, Parish Council decided not to proceed at this time.

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9. EMAIL FROM A PARISHIONER DATED 18TH JANUARY 2017

The contents of the email were noted. Parish Council meetings are open to all members of the public, and Villagers are encouraged to attend where there are matters to be discussed. The Parish Council are satisfied that the Recreation Ground is used and enjoyed by all within the Community.

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

- Thank you from PCAP for donation
- Grass cutting contract with Bawdens agreed (£1069.17 plus VAT) as per previous years.
- Details of Parish Council and Unitary elections on the 4th May placed on the three Village Notice Boards.
- Village website to include Planning Applications (Clerk to liaise with Hew Helps)

11. PLANNING

Existing Application outcomes:

16/10706/TCA	Orchard End. 3 The Orchard various tree works and remove leylandii hedge	No Objection
16/11692/TCA	Lambs Croft/72 Easton Royal Leylandi tree prune back overhanging branches, Beech tree prune back branches	No Objections

Planning Applications since the last meeting:

17/00706/FUL 17/01005/LBC	The Old Rectory -Proposed Portico	No Objection/Approved
17/02183/TPO 17/02192/TCA	The Old Rectory – works to various trees	No Objection
17/02266/TCA	Land to the east of Village Hall -reduce and reshape lime tree	No Objection
17/02301/TCA	Waverley Cottage fell one cherry and 5 Ash trees	No Objection
17/01537/FUL	Easton Manor demolish machinery store and replace with oak machinery store.	To be discussed*
17/03174/TCA	Easton Manor works to various trees	To be discussed**

*It was agreed to raise an objection to the proposal based upon visibility, size of building, potential current and future use.

**It was agreed to request the advice of the Tree Officer regarding the removal of the Horse Chestnut trees due to disease. The Parish Council would prefer that these are pruned. The other tree pruning was agreed.

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12. FINANCE

Payments made:

P Archer clerk expenses	£101.69*
SLCC Membership fee	£65.00
PCAP Donation	£50.00
C Sibun Playground materials (Area board grant)	£227.34
P Archer clerk salary	£453.00
Honey street car park fence post	£308.28
Wiltshire Council CATG 20mph	£200.00
CPRE subscription	£36.00
P Archer clerk expenses	£86.92*
P Archer salary	£507.00**

*Transparency grant contribution £120.00

**Transparency code contribution £54.00

Payments to approve:

Footpaths improvements Payment to Brennans - Proposed by CE footpaths report	£400.00
Careers Support Wiltshire request for donation	£20.00
G.B.Sport (Bench hooks)	£45.60

Proposed Mark de Pass second Margaret Holden. All in agreement

Payments Received:

Easton Royal School (1 st December- 28 th February)	£200.00
Easton Royal School (1 st March-30 th June)	£200.00

13. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO

-Mark de Pass

No report.

-Margaret Holden

Area Board minutes circulated.

-Cedric Hollinsworth

Report circulated and to be put on the Village website.

Concerns were raised about the work the Parish Steward as previously discussed.

The condition of the track at the bottom of the village was identified as being in a poor state.

-Anna Patterson

Church report circulated and to be put on the Village website.

A discussion took place about the width of the path leading to the Church. It was recommended that this should be widened. Anna Patterson to rely concerns.

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-Colin Sibun

Report circulated and to be put on the Village website. Removable posts with chain link at the back of the Car Park to stop vehicles driving onto the Recreation Ground has been completed with thanks to Volunteers.

Funds requested to fix the bench within the Play area.

Graham Cooper.

None.

-Christopher Elliott

Report circulated and to be put on the Village website.

The funding request to Brennans was noted and agreed.

Parish Councillors commented on all the improvements to Village footpaths and the implementation of new gates, much thanks to Christopher Elliott for the organisation and implantation of this work.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that Christopher Elliott would not be standing for election in the forthcoming Parish Council elections on 4th May. The Parish Councillors wished to thank Christopher Elliott for all his contributions to the Parish Council and the Village.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Proposed and to be agreed

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council Thursday 11th May

Annual Parish Meeting 25th May

Thursday 20th July, Thursday 21st September, Thursday 23rd November

Meeting Closed 21.00