

EASTON ROYAL PARISH COUNCIL
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23rd JANUARY 2020
AT EASTON ROYAL VILLAGE HALL
AT 7:30PM

PRESENT

Cedric Hollinsworth (Chairman), Mark de Pass, Margaret Holden, Colin Sibun, Pauline Archer (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Anna Patterson, Graham Cooper, Beverley Helps

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st November 2019 having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. REPORT FROM JERRY KUNKLER (Wiltshire Councillor)

None

5. ITEMS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None

6. DAMAGE TO FOOTPATH ER22 FOLLOWING THE "ROUGH AND TUMBLE" EVENT

The bridleway track ER22 (Bruces Arms to Milton Hill) was used for the Rough and Tumble running race, based around Milton Lilbourne. It was run in early January with around 600 runners. After the race, the already muddy and fragile surface was turned into a quagmire, with a third of the track being deep, slippery mud underfoot; as a result, it is almost impassable in places and is no longer a pleasure to walk.

Beverley Helps has contacted the Rough and Tumble race organiser, Stephen Goulding, Milton Lilbourne Rights of Way officer David Hall, Milton Lilbourne PC, plus the Wiltshire Council Rights of Way people. A meeting has been arranged to meet Stephen and David to see what can be done to jointly repair and improve the track so that it can continue to be used by these events.

Beverley Helps has also contacted Pewsey Vale Running Club in the hope of discouraging them from using this now badly damaged track for their Terminator Race, which is due to be run on 23rd February. The Parish Council supports the efforts to repair and protect these footpaths.

7. CLERKS REPORT

-Letter from Parishioner dated Sunday 22nd December 2019, Freedom of Information Request concerning planning application 14/09221/FUL,14/10771/FUL,15/03223/FUL/1505129/FUL

The Chairman has delivered the documents requested as per the Act within the 20 days.

--Request for Wedding marquee on the Recreation Ground. (agreed by PC but declined by the potential hirer due to concerns over parking and noise)

-Bawden request for outstanding payment for grass cutting £402.37 (£335.31 net vat) Parish Council agreed to this proposal as settlement of the outstanding 3 invoices. It reflects a reduction in the agreed contract to reflect the lack of cuts completed.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Existing Applications outcomes:

19/10322/TCA	Primrose Cottage Juniper trees, Leylandii and Eucalyptus crown reduction	No Objection
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19/10649/TCA	Home Farm Fell dead sycamore, fell Willow Tree	No Objection
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Planning Applications since the last meeting:

20/00036/TCA	4 Easton Royal Remove Hawthorn to the ground.	No Objection
20/00570/TCA	Tudor House Burbage Road Maple tree fell. 2 x Field Maple prune, Ash Tree prune	No Objection

9. FINANCE Payments made:

Payments made:

SLCC membership	£63.00
Hew Helps TH White (footpath repairs)	£87.33
Hew Helps Lanlee supplies (footpath repairs)	£14.99
H Hollinsworth Bulbs	£17.97
P Archer Clerk salary	£635.00

Payments to approve:

Computer Portable Hard Drive	c£43.00
C Hollinsworth Recreation gate sign	£39.85
C Sibun repairs to car park posts	£66.40

All in agreement with proposed payments.

Payments received:

None	
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10. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO

Margaret Holden

It was noted that the 2 free chairs for the Village Hall, courtesy of PCAP were to be collected this week.

Cedric Hollinsworth. Street Scene and Highways

Report circulated and to be put on the website. Repairs to the top road scheduled for early February although only one day closure proposed.

Anna Patterson. Church Liaison/School Liaison

Church report received and read out to be put on the website

Colin Sibun. Recreation Ground.

Report circulated and to be put on the website.

It was noted that the posts around the Car Park would be extended to stop vehicles driving on the Recreation Ground.

Beverley Helps. Footpaths

Report circulated and to be put on the website. See previous comments on footpath ER22.

Graham Cooper had noted that the footpath to the rear of Easton Royal farm buildings was not being used correctly and people are walking on the crops. In the absence of Graham and Beverley from the meeting it was agreed to defer this and discuss it at the next meeting.

Mark de Pass commented that the Permissive Path from Harris Lane which would need to be closed in September after 10 years use.

Mark de Pass

Following the last Parish Council meeting a quote to dig out and clear the drains at the bottom of the village had been received from Brennans. The cost would be £560. Whilst it is acknowledged that in previous years Wiltshire

Council had undertaken this work, the Parish Council agreed to this payment on the basis it will clear flooding at the bottom of the village for some 3 years. It was agreed that once completed that the Parish Steward would need to maintain these ditches to keep them clear.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Following the recent review of the use of the Recreation Ground it was noted that any extension to the Village Hall or replacement would more than likely encroach onto the Recreation Ground land. Before considering any proposals for the Village Hall it was agreed to review the Recreation Ground deeds to see whether this is possible or whether specific legal advice would be required.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Thursday 30th April
 21st May APM/ AMPC
 23rd July
 24th September
 26th November

Meeting closed 21:10