

## EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council was advertised and held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016 in St Peter's Church, Easton.

**Apologies:** none – all councillors present.

As many residents were present the chairman opened the meeting and proposed that agenda item planning application 16/01365/FUL and additional item planning application 16/02137/FUL be discussed first as these were the items of most interest for the public in attendance and for their views to be heard.

**Application:** 16/01365/FUL      The siting of up to 10 caravans, some to be initially allocated on a long-term contract for senior construction staff of the A14 project for the duration of the project. The application also includes details of the black waste removal and recycling waste removal from the site.

**Location:** West Farm, The Lane, Easton, Huntingdon PE28 0TY.

This application has been withdrawn

**Application:** 16/02137/FUL      This temporary siting of up to 6 caravans for senior staff on working on the A14 project for the fixed term of the project. The application also includes details of black waste removal and recycling waste removal.

**Location:** West Farm, The Lane, Easton, Huntingdon PE28 0TY.

The Chairman outlined the application and asked for comments: many views were expressed, the consensus being this should be refused on the same grounds as the previous application for ten caravans. Mr Baker advised that as this is a new application any views or comments have to be submitted to the District Council with reference to this application. It was agreed that Mike Baker and Steve Thomason should draft the comments of the Parish Council for submission to the Huntingdonshire District Council by the due date.

It was agreed that this should be circulated by email to residents for their information and this should be the responsibility of the Parish Council and not rely on the helpfulness of Brian Davis' neighbourhood watch newsletter; email addresses were requested for this purpose. A reminder was made to check the village website which Steve Thomason has designed.

Favourable comments were made regarding the new 30mph road markings and suggestions that more traffic calming would be welcomed particularly in the bus stop area. It was suggested and agreed that the community speedwatch scheme be investigated and several people offered to participate as volunteers.

Mr Baker thanked those for all their comments and views on the various subjects and continued with the meeting.

**Declaration of financial or personal interest:** to receive members' declarations as to personal and/or prejudicial interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item. Mr Baker declared an interest in agenda items: Freedom of Information request and renewal of Playing Field Lease

Mike Baker 14/11/16

**Minutes:** The Minutes of the last meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 were read, approved and signed.

**Matters arising from last meeting:**

*Highway Initiative:* Mr Trussell reported he is awaiting the date for the gates to be erected

*War Memorial renovation:* the order had been placed with Easton & Cook who hoped to have this completed by Remembrance Sunday. In the meantime, the War Memorial Trust had contacted the clerk and confirmed that the War Memorial should be kept in as original state as possible with just cleaning, re-cutting and repainting the lettering.

*Tree Survey:* the clerk gave Mr Baker the details of Global Tree Solutions in Alconbury to contact with regard to the survey of the trees.

*Village Drainage:* to be kept under review. It was reported that Anglian Water had cleared a blockage which had occurred in the previous few days.

*Freedom of Information request:* Mr Baker had declared an interest in this item. An email had been received from the Information Commissioner's Office that a complaint had been received and an initial assessment considered it eligible for consideration under s50 of the FOIA. Further details will be requested. The clerk had passed this to the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils who had advised the Parish Council to date.

*HM Queen Commemorative Medal* Mr Baker reported he has almost completed the distribution and for reference will list those to whom he has given a medal.

*Website email contacts:* the clerk advised that information of village interest should be the responsibility of the Parish Council and email contact addresses should be requested. Mrs Hyde had confirmed she would be able to include this request in the newsletter.

*A14 junction:* the request had been made to Amey plc to cut back the overhanging branches on the entrance to the village and this had been carried out.

*Woolley Hill Wind Farm Panel Meeting:* Mr Baker had attended this meeting and reported that the funding exceeded the applications.

**Road Closure, Easton Road 12-23/12/2016** following the open meeting held on 27/09/2016, with Simon Bywater, Cambridgeshire County Councillor in attendance, but no UK Power representative, a letter had been sent highlighting the problems this would cause.

**Planning Application:** 16/01930/HHFUL Blenheim Cottage, The Lane, Easton  
Demolition of existing garage and construction of new 2 storey side extension.  
The plans were considered and it was agreed a 'no observations either in favour or against' comment be submitted to the Planning Department.

*Mike Baker 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016*



**Village Tree Planting:** notification of the parish tree planting scheme to be run this season. It was agreed the clerk should request the application forms.

**Easton United Charities** – renewal field lease. Mr Baker had declared an interest in this item. Mr Charlton, secretary of the Easton United Charities had confirmed the lease is a word for word copy of the previous lease. The new lease was signed by Richard Burton and Steve Thomason and witnessed by Clive Wood and Phil Trussell.

**Proposed removal of BT telephone box:** having seen a notice in the box the clerk had, as instructed, contacted the District Council Planning Department who had advised they had no knowledge of this. Further enquiries were made from BT.

**Accounts:** the Completion of Audit Notice had been advertised on the notice board

**invoice paid:**

The clerk noted that the cheque drawn at the last meeting had not been recorded  
Four Seasons Landscaping verge cutting £200.00  
(Highways Act 1980 s.11) approved

**Correspondence**

***Huntingdonshire District Council***

***Electorate & Democratic Services Manager*** notification that with effect from May 2018 and every fourth year following, electors will vote to elect all District and Parish Councillors simultaneously.

Consultation: <http://consult.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/portal/pp/hlp2036/helaa2016>  
to run from 26/9/16 to 07/11/16 Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment:  
Additional sites 2016

***Cambridgeshire County Council***

***Highways Service*** winter gritting routes for this area. No gritting through any of the village.

***Flood and Water team*** Mr Baker had completed the questionnaire regarding flood awareness, precautions and Community Flood Action Group and the clerk had submitted this by the due date 10/10/2016

***Cambridgeshire Acre*** request to complete survey of services and facilities in rural Cambridgeshire had been completed and submitted

***Hunts Forum*** Stop Hate UK notification of National Hate Crime Awareness Week 8-15/10/2016

***Police Commissioner*** notification of his intention to produce a plan to set out the objectives expected to be delivered by the Cambridgeshire Constabulary.

**Matters for next meeting:** verges: it was noted these are in need of a final cut before winter, the clerk was asked to request Mr Abbs to make this.

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Salt bins: a start has been made on checking; the area around the one on the corner of the playing field has been cleared and the one on the corner of Stonely Road.

Speedwatch for Easton Road

Planning Enforcement – it was considered it would be helpful to have further information and guidance regarding planning enforcement and the clerk was asked to request the Enforcement Officer attend the next meeting for this purpose.

Date and time of next meeting:

1<sup>st</sup> December 2016

Mike Beale 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016