

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting was advertised and held on 17th January 2019 in St Peter's Church, Easton commencing at 8.00pm

Apologies received: from Clive Wood, all other Council members present with chair taken by Mike Baker, MBE and also one college student studying Council procedures

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. None received

Minutes: it was agreed to take the Minutes following the item with Nigel Swaby, Development Management Team Leader (Planning Enforcement), Huntingdonshire District Council who had offered to attend a council meeting to make a presentation on enforcement policy.

Mr Baker welcomed Mr Sawby who advised the current HDC policies and answered many questions asked by members of the Parish Council. Mr Baker thanked him for taking the time for a most informative discussion.

Planning Consultation: 1802706/PIP proposal for permission in principle for up to 2 dwellings, land east of Avens, Stonely Road. As the applicant and landowner, Mr Robert Lumbers had requested to be present and had arrived it was agreed to discuss this agenda item next. The application was viewed and discussed by the Parish Council. Mr Baker had spoken to neighbours who are not in favour of the application. Mr Lumbers answered any query raised. Various views were expressed culminating in the opinion of the Parish Council agreeing to submit an objection on the grounds of: unsuitability, location, and visuality

Minutes: the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th December 2018 were read, approval proposal by Steve Thomason, seconded Richard Burton. Minutes signed by the chair.

Matters arising: Barn & Stable Enforcement 16/00211/ENECOM awaiting review from HDC Planning Enforcement

Anti-social behaviour – dogs

Mr Trussell had drafted the response regarding the Parish Council disappointment with the court decision and the length of time this had taken. A reply from the Senior Community Protection & Enforcement Officer acknowledged the points but stated this was the Court decision. It was suggested to write a short note for the village newsletter to keep local residents up to date with the current status. Mr. Thomason agreed to do this.

Byways and Footpaths

Mr. Thomason reported the prohibition notices are still awaited from the County Council for the 3 Shires Way byway to Spaldwick. Also, the entrance to footpath 70/03 to Spaldwick, off the byway is impassable due to animals trampling the ground. This to be reported to CCC.

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Church parking area

An initial channel had been cut to allow water to run away from the road into the brook which seems to be working well. Mr. Baker to ask his contact for a specification of the work which would be carried out for the quotation received.

Playing Field

waste bin on order, clerk checked fitting. Mr. Burton asked if 'litter pickers' could be purchased for litter picking. The clerk instructed to purchase these.

Traffic – village roads

no report from Mick George Ltd but no further reports received of heavy goods vehicles travelling to Gas Station.

Community Infrastructure Levy statement 2017/2018

acknowledgement of receipt received from Implementation Officer, HDC

Verge & Goosey Close grass cutting contracts

The current contracts have now been completed. Quotations to be requested for each from three local contractors for this and the ensuing two years.

Accounts

year end 31.3.2018 the clerk had ascertained that as the Parish Council had submitted the Certificate of Exemption no review had been carried out by the auditors PKF Littlejohn LLP and no conclusion document would be sent to the Parish Council.

Form updating Parish Council details submitted to Barclays Bank plc.

payable

invoices presented and approved for payment	
Easton PCC	
hire of room	£25.00
East of England Ambulance Service	
Cost of evening defibrillator training	£50.00
clerk's expenses re	
waste bin emptying (3 months)	£77.26

Correspondence

Huntingdonshire District Council

Electoral Registration Assistant Register of Electors

Cambridgeshire County Council

Tour of Cambridgeshire – advance notification of tour June 2019

Matters for next meeting:

survey and maintenance – trees Weir Lane. Mr. Baker to obtain quotation from Global Tree Solutions Ltd.

Date and time of next meeting: 20th February 2019

Meeting closed 10.10pm

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