

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

All members were summoned to attend the Easton Parish Council meeting advertised to be held in St Peter's Church, Easton at 8.00pm on 16th December 2021

- 428 **Apologies** for Absence: Mr Baker gave apologies for Mr Wood, other Parish Council members present, Michael Baker, Mrs Pamela Bell, Richard Burton and Stephen Thomason.
- 429 **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 items relating to Stonely Road.
- 430 **Consideration & approval** Minutes meeting 16th November 2021
The Minutes of meeting held on 16th November 2021 were read, approved and signed by the Chair
- 431 **Matters Arising**
2021-22/414 village roads overgrown hedges/verges
Mr Burton reported most have now been cut back. Mr Baker to speak to Mr Abbs to arrange for the areas which have been left for wildlife to be cleared as these have become overgrown.

2021-22/414 Planning consultations

21/01676/HHFUL Grange Farm, Easton - in progress

21/02314/PIP Village Barn Farm, Stonely Road

Proposal: Permission in principle application for residential conversion of redundant rural buildings to form 1no. dwellinghouse (use class C3) – Decision refused

20/01617/FULTDC Land east of The Avens – Decision approved

21/02162/TREE The Meadow, The Lane – Decision approved

2021-22/416 A14 Junctions Thrapston – Brampton Hut

The Parish Council had submitted comments on the Highways England Route Strategies survey. Notification received the survey is extended to 31/12/21. It was agreed to contact everyone in the village to ask that a survey report, if not already submitted, be made before the end of the month. The new National Highways Route Manager for Cambridgeshire Alan Trille, has made contact to arrange a site meeting with Mr Baker.

2021-22/417 Stonely Road and village flooding

The second drain has now been cleared. The Enforcement Officer is on sick leave but will remove the obstructions as instructed by the Highways Officer on his return to work.

2021-22/418 Footpaths & Boats traffic and maintenance

Hartham Street Mr Thomason reported the hedges had been cut back and the surface is still in good repair.

PFP 70-04 rails previously reported in dangerous condition have been broken away completely and reported again

Road sign painting not yet completed by Mr Nixon as foliage around sign arms require cutting back. Mr Baker to speak to adjoining residents to enable this to be completed.

Mike Baker 3/2/22

Vehicles parked still causing obstruction. Mr Thomason to include request in next newsletter for vehicles to be parked in front of keeper's premises so as not to destroy verges and cause inconvenience

2021/22-422 CIL (Infrastructure Levy) - Nil return to be submitted

2021/22-423 Precept 2022-2023 – Precept request £4,000 submitted by due date

432 Planning Consultation

21/02509HHFUL Trevellas House, The Lane

Proposal: construction of single storey rear extension, new porch and replacement of all windows and doors – the plans submitted were considered. As no comments had been received, the Parish Council submission is no views either for or against.

433 2021-22/414 **Village newsletter** – ongoing costings

Mr Thomason reported that production costs for the the newsletter were higher than those of the previous editor and it would be necessary to submit an invoice quarterly rather than the annual invoice rendered by Mrs Hyde. It was suggested that consumables are invoiced to the Parish Council for VAT to be reclaimed.

434 **2021/22-419 Tree Planting** and village wildlife schemes

Mr Thomason reported Hawthorn hedging for playing field and Field Maple and Silver Birch for verge opposite the Church had been purchased and should be planted between Christmas and New Year. Mr Baker to speak to Mr Picton about planting alongside drain south Townsend Farm

It was agreed a number of trees be purchased and one offered to each house in the village to mark platinum jubilee of HM Queen. Mr Thomason to arrange via village newsletter

435 **2021/22-420 Parking area** at Church

Mr Baker reported a site visit for contractors arranged.

436 **Contracts** due for 2022 Grass cutting village verges & Goosey Close field

Requests to contractors to tender to be sent for three year term.

437 **Code of Conduct - Review** of Register of Interests for Parish Councillors

Mrs P Bell, Richard Burton and Stephen Thomason signed the no change of circumstance form, the clerk to pass this to Clive Wood for signature and forward to Code of Conduct and to print a change of circumstance form to be completed by Mr Baker.

438 **Accounts** invoices presented and approved for payment

DP Jolly	Goosey Close field cutting 2021	£720.00
Clerk's expenses	M&S Ltd, bins, office admin	£91.32
Riverside Nurseries Ltd	trees, posts & stakes	£157.50

439 **Correspondence received**
Cambridgeshire County Council

Enforcement Officer

Away from work on sick leave

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HM Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire

Plans for platinum jubilee of HM Queen

Senior Flood Risk Officer - Community Flood Action Programme

Floodmobile event 10.00am – 3.00pm Godmanchester 29/01/2022

Local Councils Conference 2021

Virtual 6th annual Cambridgeshire Friday 14th January 2022, 10am-4pm.

HAF Programme Co-ordinator

funding from the Department for Education to enable families, who receive free school meals due to the benefits they receive, to book free places at a local Christmas holiday scheme.

Transport Strategy and Network Management

incident reports for November and December

Traffic Management Officer - Integrated Highways Management Centre

Highway events for December

Social Mobility and Inclusion Committee - Chair of the Communities

Cambridgeshire Matters newsletter

National Highways

A14 road closures

CAPALC & NALC

Newsletters, online events, updates, bulletins and training schedules

440 **Matters for next meeting**

A14 junction

Tree planting & Wildlife schemes

Parking at Church

Speedwatch interactive signs

441 **Date & time of next meeting** 3rd February 2022

Mile Baker 3/2/22