

# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022

- 442 **Apologies** for Absence: none, late arrival Clive Wood, all members present.
- 443 **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.
- 444 **Consideration** & approval Minutes meeting 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021.  
The Minutes of meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021 read, approved and signed by the Chair

445 **Matters Arising**

2021-22/414 village roads overgrown hedges/verges  
No update

2021-22/431 Planning consultations

21/01676/HHFUL Grange Farm, Easton - in progress  
Mr Baker reported he had replied to an email received from the property owner.

2021-22/432

21/02509HHFUL Trevellas House, The Lane – permission granted

2021-22/431 A14 Junctions 13-20 Thrapston – Brampton Hut

Following the efforts of the Parish Council a considerable number of villagers had submitted comments to Highways England. The National Highways Route Manager for Cambridgeshire, Alan Trille, had met Parish Councillors and had agreed to resign the road markings in the central reservation, investigate and improve drainage, ensure inclusion in winter gritting route, establish traffic levels pre and post A14 scheme improvements, pre and during Covid pandemic and consider signage uniformity along A14.

2021-22/431 Stonely Road and village flooding.

Mr Baker had requested the clerk report the drain in Stonely Road, which had recently been cleared, as blocked again. The Highways Officer advised a CCTV inspection ordered as tree roots blocking the pipe.

The Enforcement Officer is to visit on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Mr Wood to speak with Blenheim Cottage owners about laying a pipe under their access to allow flood water to run in ditch rather than over the road in The Lane.

Parking of untaxed vehicle continues to cause nuisance to other road users and damage to verges

2021/22-431 Footpaths & Boats, traffic and maintenance

No reply from CCC regarding extending the closure notice of Hartham Street. A further letter be sent requested by Mr Thomason. He also noted the completion of the road planings has not yet been carried out .

PFP 70-04 footpath bridge rails awaiting replacement

PFP 70/05 footpath sign awaiting replacement before end of financial year

S/S 1 Thomason  
24/3/22

Village road sign painting not yet completed by Mr Nixon. Mr Baker to speak to adjoining residents about overgrown bushes to enable this to be completed.

2021-22/437 **Code of Conduct** – Review of Register of Interests

Acknowledgement of receipt of No Change of Interests form submitted, reminder that Change of Interests awaited from Mr Baker. Mr Baker asked for another form which he can complete.

446 2021-22/434 **Tree Planting** and village wildlife

An offer of a free tree to every household in the village was promoted in the newsletter, several requests already received and to be incorporated into one order for planting.

Steve Thomason and Mike Baker to contact Mr Picton about tree planting along the ditch bank south Townsend Farm

447 2021/22-435 **Parking area** at Church

Mr Baker had arranged a meeting with a contractor to consider options for hard standing parking. It was agreed that the specification of permitted works first be agreed with the Highways Officer to enable a cost quotation. A meeting 14<sup>th</sup> February has been arranged.

448 2021-22/448 **Contracts** due for tender

Quotations in response to requests to contractors for verge and playing field had been received for consideration.

Village Verges for 2022-2024 received from Four Seasons Landscaping at £230 per cut. It was agreed to accept this. Mr Abbs had agreed to cut back the overgrown hedging left for wildlife when making the first cut.

Goosey Close for 2022-2024 received from DP Jolly at £68 per cut and from Four Seasons Landscaping at £90 per cut. It was agreed to offer the contract to Mr Jolly

449 **Accounts** received and payment agreed

Invoice received from Easton PCC – room hire 03/02/2022 £50.00

450 **Correspondence**

**Huntingdonshire District Council**

*Think Communities Community Connector Huntingdonshire*

Localised Flood Advice

*Member Support Officer* Code of Conduct & DPI

Acknowledged receipt of no change of interest, request change of interest Mr Baker

**Cambridgeshire County Council**

*IHMC Integrated Highways Management Centre* – Traffic Management Officer

December incident report

*Senior Road Safety Officer*

The Road Victims Trust Annual Report

*Principal Officer – Flood & Water* – Flood Risk & Biodiversity Team  
Public consultation for update to Cambridgeshire Flood Risk Management Strategy

*Highways Fault reporting*  
Gully Stonely Road jetted, discovered CCTV investigation required

*Highways Officer*  
Meeting 14/02/22 with Ian Gardener LHI parking area at Church

**Ting – Stagecoach East**  
*Project Officer* - requested information on any problem and offer to attend meeting

**Police & Crime Commissioner**  
Request to complete survey on proposed increase to policing charge part of council tax

**HIGHWAYS ENGLAND –**  
*Route Manager, Cambridgeshire*  
Alan Trille – A14 junction survey

*A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon Improvement Scheme*  
A14 planned road closures

**CAPALC & NALC**  
Newsletters, online events, updates, bulletins and training schedules

- 451 **Matters for next meeting**  
Newsletter – Mr Thomason presented invoices for print costs  
Speedwatch – Mrs Bell presented a report on interactive signs
- 452 Date and time of next meeting – 24/03/2022  
Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm followed by Parish Council meeting
- Meeting closed at 9.10pm