

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting arranged for 13th October 2022 had to be cancelled due to several infections of Covid and was rearranged for Thursday, 20th October 2022. All members of Easton Parish Council were summoned to attend the Parish Council meeting at 8pm on this date in St Peters Church, Easton

- 528 **Apologies** for absence: from Mr M Baker due to illness. It was proposed and agreed the chair be taken by Mr Richard Burton
- 529 **Declaration** of personal or financial 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 declared
- 530 **Consideration** and approval of Minutes of meeting 25th August 2022
After reading the Minutes approval was proposed and seconded by Messrs Wood and Thomason and signed as a correct record by Mr R. Burton
- 531 **Matters** arising
2022-23/516 village roads, overgrown hedges, verge obstructions
No contact from the Enforcement Officer the clerk to again request an update

2022-23/517 Code of Conduct – Mr Wood had signed the No Changes Declaration and the form forwarded as complete.

2022-23/523 Fibre broadband in village – a meeting had been arranged by County Broadband who are proposing to carry out the installation and who had reported good feedback. The conditions of the offer of free broadband to the Church is to be checked by Mr Thomason
- 532 2021-22/518 **Footpaths**, BOATS, traffic and road maintenance
The clerk to Grafham Parish Council had advised a key had now been received for the Grafham end Hartham Street gate. Mr Thomason to liaise with regard to any necessary closing and to also enquire an update for the free parking for local residents suggested by Grafham Parish Council

Repairs to Notice Board The suppliers of the Notice Board are unable to replace the Perspex sheet and suggested polishing would clear the visibility. The clerk to try this to avoid the purchase of a new replacement board

Trees Chapel Lane and Weir Lane A tree outside Berrylands had been felled and Mr Baker to inspect Weir Lane trees and report when he is well enough.
- 533 2022-23/519 **Tree** planting & Wildlife
Mr Thomason reported the owl box had been sited, as suggested, near to the footpath to Ellington.

Mr Baker is to arrange with Mr Picton for access to enable planting along his track to Stonely Road

The proposed planting in the Ford Cottage area to go ahead where The Easton United Charities has already approved and granted permission.

Ch Wood
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- 534 2022-23/520 **Parking** area at Church
Mr Baker had advised he had again requested price quotations from Mr Pettit, the contractor

- 535 2022-23/521 **Goosey Close**

A part payment of £164 as discussed at the last meeting had been sent to Fenland Leisure for the annual inspections for 2022-2024. No response had been received but the cheque had been cashed, implying this is acceptable.

Several types of football posts and nets had been looked at to fit the specification suggested as required. Concerns raised are for removing the existing posts which are concreted in the ground, the nets when the grass is being cut, the amount of use in relation to the age and number of children and insurance which is to be checked with the insurers.

Mr Wood had spoken to Mr Messenger to replace some of the boarding holding the bark chipping. The clerk showed photographs of the lengths required; there are also small elms are growing through the bark which need cutting out before growing any bigger. Mr Wood hopes to get a quotation for the wood cost from Mr Messenger in due course. Mr Burton confirmed he will obtain quotations for bark when required but little point in refilling over winter. It was noted the hedge is in need of cutting.

- 536 **Speedwatch** funding/siting MVAS

Mrs Bell reported community speedwatch activity had been less frequent recently due to other commitments of the volunteers but it was hoped to increase the volunteer numbers for next year after the winter close down. Mrs Bell had investigated and found that as part of Cambridgeshire Road Safety Partnership Cambridgeshire County Council can supply fixed signs in some areas where active Community Speedwatch teams operate on a regular basis.

Installation and removal is at the discretion of the County Council and at the cost of the local community. The clerk is to request information on the cost with a view to installation at both entries to the village.

- 537 **Accounts**

Draft receipts & expenditure quarter to 30/09/2022 presented - no queries raised

Precept request 2023/2024 consideration for next meeting when due

Invoices presented for payment

clerk's expenses	£75.49
Four Seasons verge cutting	£230.00
Easton PCC room hire	£50.00

Finance remittance advice for contribution for verge cutting

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Correspondence

**HM Lord Lieutenant for Cambridgeshire
Cambridgeshire County Council
Huntingdonshire District Council
CAPALC**

Letters and notifications with procedures and protocol to be followed for
'Operation London Bridge' announcing the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II on 8th
September 2022

Notices of Proclamation on 10th September 2022 of HM King Charles III

Kimbolton Royal British Legion

Enquiry if Poppy Wreath required for Remembrance Day. It is understood an
alternative arrangement has been made

Grafham Parish Council

Notification receipt of gate key for Hartham Street

Huntingdonshire District Council

Electoral Services Team

Electoral Roll changes

Refund of charge returning officer

Communications Executive Press releases

Long term health conditions

Warm spaces set up – forwarded to PCC

Council's Climate strategy

play equipment Hinchingsbrooke Park

pre application planning advice service launched

Corporate Director (people)

Requesting information on proposed warm space set up

forwarded to PCC – advised at meeting PCC have discussed

Project Officer – Market Towns Programme.

Teams meeting draft strategy Invitation teams meeting draft strategy

Democratic Services Member Development & Support Office

On behalf of Chief Planning Officer

Change in approach to amendments to Planning Applications

forwarded to Parish Councillors

Council Tax Team Leader

Notification Precept request due by 16/12/2022

Consultation Stukeleys Neighbourhood Plan

C. Farwood
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Cambridgeshire County Council

Communications & Information Service

August and September Cambridgeshire Matters

Traffic Management Centre - Incident report for August

Highway Events - Future events and road closures

Streetworks - Temporary closure Stonely Road 16/11/2022

Traffic management training course

Highways & Transport Business Support Manager

Request for volunteers for community Winter gritting schemes

Transport Strategy Team - *Place and Sustainability Directorate*

public consultation on the transport strategies for Fenland and Huntingdonshire along with Cambridgeshire's Active travel strategy, 2/09-07/11/22

Cambridgeshire Highways - *Highways Project Team*

LHI planned changes to the Local Highway Improvement Initiative in advance of the 23/24 round of applications. Forwarded to parish councillors

Changes approved

20mph forwarded to Parish Councillors

Community Flood Action Programme

Flood Resilience Days

Cambridge & Peterborough Combined Authority

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Councillor update

Offices moved to floor 2 Pathfinder House

National Highways

A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon closures

CAPALC & NALC Notices and training schedules

Anglian Water Proposed consultation 2 new fen reservoirs

CAMBRIDGESHIRE ACRE Newsletters

539 **Matters for next meeting**

Goosey Close: football posts, hedge cutting and edging boards

Notice board

Parking area Church

MVAS and Community Speedwatch signs

540 **Date and time of next meeting:** 1st December 2022

Meeting closed at 10.15pm