

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

All members of Easton Parish Council were summoned to attend the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 18th January 2024 in St Peter's Church, Easton at 7.30pm

688 **Apologies for absence**

Received from Mrs P Bell due to illness

689 **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

690 **Minutes of Meeting held 7th December 2023**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2023 were read, approved and signed as a correct record

691 **Matters arising**

2023-24/679 A14 junction the clerk had complained about the junction again being awash with water and requested an update as to why this repeatedly occurred and when the resurfacing work would be carried out. A reply from Alan Trille, National Highways Officer responsible for this area stated he had made enquiries from the Highway Inspector and Drainage Asset Lead. The Highway Inspector had reported vegetation cleared from the gully and water cleared. The area to be monitored to determine if there is a further blockage in the pipe or at the outfall.

There is still no programmed date for planned work to resurface the junction.

2023-24/679 Village Sign the sign had been removed by Jacowe Joinery Ltd at the beginning of December. Mr Baker reported he had been advised of a slight increase in the cost of refurbishment but no definite figure. Currently it is awaiting repainting when the weather is more suitable. no cost has yet been advised for this. Mr Baker is to visit the artist to attain this.

Notice Board work completed

2023-24/679 Goosey Close maintenance

The two replacement swing seats have been ordered, received and handed to Mr Wood for fitting

The notice for the gate is awaited from London House Signs Ltd

2023-24/679 Easton United Charities

Nomination of Parish Council Trustees

No correspondence received from Easton United Charities. The name of the chair and treasurer is needed for the Parish Council to be able to request the presentation of the EUC Annual Report and accounts at the Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting. The clerk to make enquiries.

Mike Baker 22nd Feb 2024

2023-24/679 Defibrillator training
Mr Baker had not been able to speak with his contact for this, Mrs Bell is awaiting costs from her enquiries

2023-24/679 footpaths, BOATS & verge obstructions
No further information from the Enforcement Officer but it was reported a rock has been replaced in front of the first property Easton Road. The Enforcement Officer to be advised and an update about the removal of the trees in Stonely Road to be requested.

2023-24/679 Chapel Lane-The Lane area clearance
No clearance to date

2023-24/679 PSPO Dog Control review
Mr Thomason had included a notice in the village newsletter

692 **2023-24/680 Local Highways Initiative - MVAS**
email reply from the Assistant Project Manager confirming update for installation.

693 **2023-24/681 Woolley Hill Wind Farm – funding application A70582**
A notice had been printed in the newsletter of the successful application to the WHWF for the grant.

Mr Baker has arranged the site meeting for 20/01/2024 with S&D Services Ltd to ask for a price for the correct size area as originally requested. Messrs. Baker, Wood, Thomason and Burton to attend.

694 **Rubbish bin refurbishment**
The purchase of a new replacement liner from Glasdon UK Ltd at a cost of £70.96 including delivery but excluding VAT and black sacks, subject to being suitable at £9.45 excluding carriage and VAT

695 **Brook drainage**
Very heavy rain had resulted in the ford overflowing, caused mainly by the culvert pipes in Long Lane being blocked. Philip Lovesey, Senior Engineer, Alconbury & Ellington IDB had advised this is not IDB responsibility. Mr Baker to speak with him at the IDB meeting next week.

696 **2023-24/682 Precept 2024-2025**
A Precept for 2024/2025 for £5,000 had been requested and HDC had advised £57,67 as the Band D charge

697 **Accounts**
2023-24/683 Barclays Bank updated information request
No contact from Barclays Bank although 10 weeks from visit to bank on 08/11/2023 and 23/11/23 when 4-5 weeks from 08/11/23 was advised

698 **Accounts payable**
Invoices presented and payment agreed for:

PCC room hire 18/01/24	£50.00
Expenses to 31/12/2023	£84.56

Mr Baker 22.1 Feb 2024

Cheque no 100551 (S Thomason - 07/12/2023) cancelled and destroyed.
Replacement cheque no. 100556 issued

699 Woolley Hill Wind Farm Grant £5,000 received

Correspondence

Huntingdonshire District Council

Communications Executive

CIL applications

Priory Centre, St Neots

Garden Waste Subscription

Local List Consultation

Council Tax Support Scheme Consultation

Council Tax Support Scheme approval

First Community Bio Diversity Grant

Commencement St Neots town centre improvement

Community Spaces support

Green Recovery Project launched

Assistant Director Strategic Insight & Delivery

Weather and flood reports

Democratic Services

Town & Parish Council Newsletter January 2024

Council Tax Team Leader

Acknowledgement of submission of 2024/25 Precept

Advice of Band D charge

Electoral & Democratic Services Manager

January 2024 Electoral Roll changes

Development Control

23/01524/S73 The Meadow retrospective approval

Waste Minimisation Officer

11.12.23 Garden waste subscription scheme

Cambridgeshire County Council

Senior Projects Manager

LHI 2024-2025 funding

LHI 2024-2025 20mph scheme

Correspondence 2023-2024 MVAS installation

Executive Director Finance & Resources

Budget briefing and proposals

Performance and Assurance Manager

Highways Contracts and Commissioning

Surveys on Highways and Street lighting

Mike Baker 22nd Feb 2024

*Highways & Transport Directorate
Highways Management & Traffic Management Officers
Incidents December
Highways Events January*

*Business support manager
Strategic Projects Manager*

*Communications Manager (Campaigns and Projects)
Be WinterWise Partners Toolkit*

*3C Building Control
August-December 2023 newsletter*

*Senior Flood Risk Officer - Community Flood Action Programme
Flood events and dates*

*Cambridgeshire matters
January newsletter*

*Cambridge Childrens' Hospital
December newsletter*

National Highways

*Route Manager Cambridgeshire & Bedford Borough
A14 junction 19 flooding & maintenance*

CAPALC & NALC

Training, newsletters and events

700 Matters for next meeting

LHI 2024-2025 20mph application
Parking at Church
Brook and Drainage clearance

701 Date and time of next meeting – 22nd February 2024

Annual Parish Meeting – suggested date 21st March subject to Mr Baker confirming speaker for this date

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Mike Bates 22.1 Feb 2024