EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

All members of Easton Parish Council were summoned to attend the Parish Council meeting advertised to be held in St Peter's Church, Easton on Thursday, 16th October 2025 at 7.30pm

111 **Apologies** for absence received from M Baker MBE and Mrs P Bell. Other Councillors Messrs. R Burton, S Thomason and C Wood present'

It was agreed Mr Clive Wood to take the chair.

112 **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

113 **Minutes** of Meeting 4th September 2025,

The Minutes, having been circulated previously, were approved and signed by Clive Wood.

114 **Matters** arising

2025-26/101 footpaths, BOATS & verge obstructions No reply from Enforcement Officer

2025-26/101 Chapel Lane-The Lane area clearance

As there is currently no LHO the matter has been passed to the Senior Highway Maintenance Officer and the Green Infrastructure Team. A reply confirmed this would contribute positively to their pledge to increase tree canopy cover across the county. Steve to liaise direct.

2025-26/101 A14 junction SAG meeting 12/11/25 Central reservation flooding had been reported, Mr Trille said he would

check for this to be discussed at the meeting.
Currently the A14 is closed overnight until 29/10/25 with no access to

villages.

2025-26/101 VE Day village photograph

10 prints had been requested, printed and delivered by Mr Wood.

2025-26/102 Funds raised by children for village

Awaiting any further information from Clare Brooker

2025-26/103 Brampton Cross development

Alconbury Parish Council wishes for more participation from surrounding villages in order that their reports are made available.

2025-26/104 Goosey Close Annual Inspection Report

Mr Wood had inspected the climbing frame and could see no defect.

2025-26/105 Defibrillator relocation

Mr Burton advised his son's property is not suitable, Mr Wood advised that no faculty had been applied for by the PCC. It was suggested the PCC may like to rethink this. Mr Wood to check with Mr Baker if the Spire View location is to become available.

A decision is required and it was agreed that the Parish Council should apply to register ownership. Mr Thomason to complete the HMLR First Registration forms

115 2025-26/107 **AGAR** 2025/26 Assertion 10 & Digital Compliance Mr Thomason and the clerk had joined a Parish Online webinar which advertised a .gov.uk email for the clerk free of charge. Mr Thomason ascertained his could be linked to the current website and in theory a .gov.uk email for the clerk should be sufficient for the Parish Council. This will be free for minimum five years and it was agreed to apply.

Digital compliance

Privacy Statement - Mr Thomason had circulated a draft website Privacy Statement - approved

Data Retention - Mr Thomason had circulated a draft Data Retention Policy to be checked against archives retention.

Thanks were given to Mr Thomason for carrying out this major project and saving the Parish Council considerable costs.

Part of the Council's IT Strategy is to ensure the website is compliant with HMG accessibility standard. As this would incur costs the Parish Council could not afford the clerk suggested citing the Disproportionate Burden Cost clause with less onerous guidelines. Mr Thomason to research this.

116 **Precept** 2026-2027

Draft expenditure to date had been circulated and discussed. No major expenditure is anticipated but should be fully considered at the next meeting with all councillors present.

- 117 **Accounts** Receipts & Expenditure 30/09/2025 The clerk presented the half year accounts. No queries raised, bank statement presented and signed by Mr Wood.
- Accounts for consideration, approval and payments raised. Hannah Yates 10 x VE Day photographs £21.89
 A Beer clerk's expenses £129.37
- 119 **Correspondence** to include carried forward from last meeting

Assition 10 Parish on Line webinar S Thomason and clerk

Charles Nixon - guidance & assessment tools for thermally comfortable and safe playgrounds

KPF Littlejohn LLP acknowledgement of Certificate of Exemption CCC remittance advice contribution towards verge cutting HMLR letter of acknowledgement of Parish Council objection advising will be kept informed

HDC

Communications Officer Press Releases Consultation Local Government Reorganisation Electoral Services Team changes to Electoral Register Democratic Services Town & Parish Council Newsletter 3rd Climate change conversation 05/11/25 Burgess Hall Funding for food poverty
CIL funding application form
Waste Minimisation Project Officer meeting 29/09/25 Pathfinder House

CCC LOCAL HIGHWAYS

new Asset Management System – Aurora new highways management system newsletter implementation of Aurora 22/09/2025 invitation to Aurora overview presentation 12/09/25 IT maintenance prior to launch of new system Infrastructure & Project delivery Highways Reports

Local Government Reorganisation - phase 2

Definitive Map – forms for evidence promised but not received. Katherine Barnes advised public highway more appropriate than village green

Report a Fault Highways Reference: 00494865

Date reported: 13/01/2025

Fault type: Missing sign to be replaced this financial year

Highways Asset Management – acknowledgement of receipt of 2025

Easton Public Rights of Way Hierarchy engagement

Green Infrastructure Team tree planting Chapel & The Lane

Traffic Management

Highways Events August, September & October Incident reports July, August & September

Care Partnership newsletters

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority

Newsletters September & October
Local Nature Recovery Strategy Newsletter/consultation

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

Alan Trille – Route Manager A14 SAG November meeting Forwarded to councillors

Operations East A14 closures 29/09-25/10/25 Brampton Hut to Catworth Teams Meeting 15/09/25 & follow up video presentation

NALC & CAPALC

Invoice 2025-26 paid Conference & AGM dates

Training dates and newsletters

Helpdesk cannot give legal advice, Weir Lane, as not engaged as legal representative

Open Spaces Society has practical advice FAQs Village & Town Greens. If it believes it applies, the council could object to the HMLR application on the basis of its village green application.

Cambridgeshire Acre newsletter

120 **Matters** for next meeting Assertion 10 compliance Weir Lane

Royal British Legion Remembrance Day Wreath SAG Meeting 12/11/25

121 Date & time of next meeting pre arranged 27/11/2025 Meeting closed 9.35pm

