

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

All members of Easton Parish Council were summoned to attend the Parish Council meeting arranged to be held on Thursday 08th January 2026 at 7.30pm in St Peter's Church, Easton

- 133 **Apologies** for absence: Mr Thomason had received apologies from M Baker, MBE and Richard Burton both due to illness.
- In the absence of Mr Baker, Mt Thomason took the Chair
- 134 **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 declared
- 135 **Minutes** of Meeting 27th November 2025. The Minutes having been circulated prior to the meeting were considered a true record, approved and signed by Mr S Thomason acting Chair
- 136 **Matters** arising
- 2025-26/125 footpaths, roads, BOATS & verge obstructions
Obstructions Easton and Stonely Roads still awaiting Enforcement Officer's attendance as well as the promised Stonely Road map
- 2025-26/125 Chapel Lane-The Lane area clearance
Mr Baker had organised some clearance of overhanging and dead branches and bushes in Chapel Lane near the corner with The Lane. Mr Thomason is in contact with the builders working on a property in The Lane with regard to the reparation of the damage caused to the corner of the verge area. A no vehicles park here notice to prevent further damage has been sited.
- 2025-26/125 A14 junction A reply to the reports made in August & October 2025 about the flooding of the central reservation stated the reason being the water is not quickly dispersed is due to the low volume of traffic,
The next SAG14 meeting is 29th April 2026
- 2025-26/125 Brampton Cross development
Notes, screen shots and maps from December meeting
- 2025-26/125 Defibrillator relocation
Barham Electrical had been contacted but due to workload had been unable to arrange before Christmas. Clerk to contact Barham Electrical Ltd again and subject to the quotation being reasonable, authorised to accept this without awaiting approval at the next meeting, in order not to delay the installation.
Mrs Bell to arrange user refresher training as soon as possible.
- 2025-26/130 Roundtable meeting with Ben Obese Jecty MP 16/01/2026
Mrs Bell said she would attend if Mike Baker unable to go to the meeting to be held at The Grafham Trout and Village Pub
- 137 2025-26/126 Weir Lane HMLR First Registration application
Reference CB 499050 has been allocated by HMLR for The First Registration application submitted with February 2027 as the estimated completion date.

By checking the HMLR website it was noted that further information had been requested for the other (unconnected) First Registration application and a cancellation warning issued.

138 2025-26/127 AGAR 2025/26 Assertion 10 Compliance

Confirmation of email: clerk@easton-pc.gov.uk has been received through Parish Online and to be in use for all official Parish Council business from February 2026

IT Training to comply with Assertion 10 was provided by Steve Thomason for all Parish Councillors and the clerk present at the meeting, to ensure all are aware of responsibilities when conducting Parish Council business, and when using personal or authority owned equipment. Training will also be provided for the two councillors and noted before the next meeting.

IT Strategy Policy, pre circulated and approved at the last Parish Council Meeting.

Steve Thomason acknowledged with thanks the token of appreciation offered for the considerable time he has spent completing the documentation for Assertion 10 compliance.

139 2025-26/128 Precept 2026-2027

A copy of the draft receipts and expenditure to 31/12/25 had been pre circulated. This was considered together with the estimated expenses for the last quarter of this year and costs for next year. Also having to include the cost of a possible contested Parish Council election estimated at £1500 by HDC. Following discussion, it was agreed to request £5,500 being 2026/27 Precept with a reduction in 2027/28 if election not held or expenses realised at any lower figure.

140 **Accounts** to 31/12/2025

The Receipts and Expenditure account to 31/12/2025 was presented to the Parish Council by the clerk. having been circulated prior to the meeting for consideration, no queries were raised, and the balance at the bank reconciled to the bank statement was signed by Clive Wood

Being only one cheque signatory, Clive Wood, present it was agreed that the following invoices presented for payment be approved and Mike Baker be asked to countersign the cheques as the second signatory, after the meeting

PCC room hire 08/01/2026	£50.00
S Thomason sign 'No Parking'	£9.99
Clerk's expenses	£109.13
Parish Online foc email package	£0.00

141 **Correspondence**

Brington & Molesworth Neighbourhood Plan 2021-2036

Alconbury Parish Council updates Brampton Cross
Parish Online
Assertion 10 .gov.uk email link & £0.00 invoice

HDC

Democratic Services
copy letter from MHCLG - May elections cancelled
Minister of State for Local Government & Homelessness
Town & Parish Council news
HDC invest in local projects through CHAWS
Precept Tax base Easton
Reminder consultation Local Plan
Electoral Register

HMLR receipt of First Registration Weir & Weir Lane application

CCC

Highways Incident report November
Highways events December
Report a fault Easton Road ref 18475 //CRM:000187000003516
Waste Education newsletter
Community Outreach
RECAP Resources & Waste Strategy 2025-2031
Asset Data Strategy
LGA update

Cambridgeshire Matters November & December

Cambridgeshire Police & Crime Commissioner
Survey for budget

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority
Newsletter

NATIONAL HIGHWAYS

Alan Trille – Route Manager
Minutes SAG meeting 12/11/25 Next A14 SAG meeting 29/04/2026

A14 east & west overnight closures, forwarded to residents
Reply central reservation flooding (August, October & November 2025)

Stop East Park Energy
East Park Solar Proposal Objection 14/01/2026

CAPALC & NALC

Training schedules
Bulletins
Letter from MHCLG
CAPALC new website launch 12/01/26

Cambridgeshire Acre

Community Energy online 03/02/2026 5pm

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Matters for next meeting

Ben Obese Jecty roundtable meeting report

Annual Parish Meeting

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Date & time of next meeting 26/02/2026 The Annual Parish Meeting due to be held in March to be arranged, clerk to liaise with other committees for suitable date

Meeting closed 10pm

Signed SK Thomason

26/02/2026