

Minutes of meeting of Eaton Parish Council held in the Barn of the Plough Inn on Tuesday 4th April, 2017

Present: Cllrs. Lyne, Waltho, Goodwin and Evans: Clerk Mrs. D. Waite and Ward Cllr. Lesley Smetham; PCSO Julia Short

Prospective Councillors: Carol Van Weerdenburg; Mike Cohen

Apologies: Cllr. Coates

This meeting was scheduled to take place in the hall on the 28th of March but due to building work there it had to be moved. The barn was not available on the 28th of March so the meeting convened on the 4th of April.

No residents present no need for 10 minute question time.

1251- Minutes

The minutes of the January meeting, having been circulated, were approved and signed.

1252 – PCSO report

Quad bike incident in Havannah. New legalisation is taking care of this. Still very little take up on the safety marking kits. Cllr. Lyne will include this in her annual report and link it with training for the defibrillator.

1253 – Speed check analysis

Speed checks showed average speeds of 46/48 mph – not high enough to raise as an issue but looking at the 85% then the speeds increase. PCSO will ask Robin Johnson to look at the figures. Cllr. Lyne is still awaiting further information on how we can enforce our speed limit. She had spoken with the head of highways and we can have information on methods of slowing down the traffic. Cllr. Waltho though we should very much try to negotiate this with the mitigation issues and outside the link road. Cllr. Lyne would still like a precis of the spread sheet and PCSO has already asked for this. Julia Short had a general feeling that our speed limits would be enforced and fines imposed. Community speed watch would provide further information on speeding and when it occurred. We have at least six volunteers for the speed watch. Two people were watch will be enough and when we have our team

together we get in touch with Julia to arrange training etc. Julia advised that the lead in time for training would not be very long but we need a venue. Julia will choose the sites of the watch. Cllr. Lyne would like Putty Row to be one of the sites. Julia will send a link for us to look at for a speed gun. Problem with the buses not using the slip road and braking suddenly on the main road if passengers present at the bus stop. Clerk to contact Arriva and D & G on this matter.

1254 – Ladera

Many confusing and unresolved issues on this. Julia has suggested asking trading standards to look at the publicity for Ladera. Cllr. Smetham felt that some of the residents could lose their homes as the site was for leisure and not residential. Cllr. Waltho said the plans for passing places had been in existence for a long while and Ladera continued to come up with excuses for not doing the work. Julia is also looking into whether there have been any criminal acts with road issues. Cllr. Smetham went through some of the questions she had raised. Enforcement action is threatened unless the passing places are done soon. Answers to questions she has raised are not at all clear. Most of the issues are of a civil nature and difficult to resolve. Cllr. Smetham is awaiting further feedback on the various issues.

1255 – Council Vacancies

Following the resignation for personal reasons of Cllrs. Bonner and MacCormack there are two vacancies which the Council can now fill by co-option. We have offers and these will be debated and decided upon at the forthcoming accounts meeting.

1256 – Link road update

Cllr. Smetham advised that there is money from the Government and Cheshire East to cover the whole of the link road and we do not need to worry about this. We now have to wait on mitigation issues. It is confirmed that these will be in place before the link road but again these are only for consideration.

1257 – Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Waltho reported they are progressing well on this. There will be a

presentation evening on Wednesday the 26th of April at the Plough to update the residents on where we are with this. The data has been analysed and the results will be available at the presentation evening. It may mean that the council may have to take some issues on board. Tamsin MacCormack is on the committee until the presentation evening. After the presentation quotes will be obtained for various aspects of the plan which need professional advice. We can then apply to Cheshire East for funding up to £9,000. Costs to date have been kept to a minimum as these cannot be claimed retrospectively and as agreed will come out of council reserves.

1258 – Planning

No objections to the major housing application for Giantswood Lane and for the agricultural building at Wheelwrights Cottage. Cllr. Waltho still felt the house in place of the pool building at Eaton Cottage could set a precedent for development

1259 – Telephone kiosk and defibrillator

We now have total ownership of the kiosk and various documentation is to hand on how we are to proceed. There will be no cost for electricity supply and Cllr. Waltho is arranging to check for what is needed. We have a public notice of change to display and we will arrange for this to be known in the village. Cllr. Lyne queried where we stood on the security of the equipment and Cllr. Smetham advised that the two in Gawsforth had not encountered any problems. Changes need to be made to the phone kiosk to indicate its conversion to defib. Cllr. Waltho will summarise what we need to do for maintenance and insurance. We have advice from our insurers for this. He will report back at the accounts meeting.

1260 – Broadband

Some residents have updated to fibre and now have about 9 meg of speed. Vispa still encountering problems with planning. Cllr. Smetham will get back to Vispa to enquire the present position. We have had a bulletin from Chalc on Cheshire east funding for broadband and Cllr. Lyne will study this to see where Eaton features.

1261 – Millennium Park

The cost of the new toddler seat to replace the one stolen will be £142 plus VAT

and the council approved this cost and the seat will be ordered. Ian Bonner has agreed to remain on the park inspection rota and his knowledge will be most useful. On spring maintenance, Cllr. Waltho will obtain quote for treatment of the timbers. Delay action until we have the Rospa report to show what might be needed. This will be during April.

1262 – Annual Report

Cllr. Lyne will prepare her report and this will be circulated before the annual meeting in May.

1263 – Annual Risk report

Owing to the change in the meeting date, the Clerk prepared and circulated this to the council during March. It was approved by each member and signed by the Chair prior to the end of March.

1264 – Accounts for payment

The account for the analysis of the Neighbourhood plan survey was approved between meetings and a cheque for £200 incl Vat was raised and forwarded.

Again, due to the change of meeting date, the account from the clerk had to be settled before the end of the financial year and a cheque for £366.68 was approved and paid.

The invoice for annual subs from Chalc was to hand but only one cheque signatory available and this will be approved and paid at the accounts meeting. Also, we need to replace Ian Bonner on the mandate and this will be done at the annual meeting when we know the full council.

1265 – Bi-monthly report to the Council and audit arrangements

Receipts, payment and bank reconciliation as at end February handed to each member. These were checked against bank statements and approved.

Clerk has all papers to hand to prepare for internal and external audit. The internal papers have to be submitted before the 28th of April. The meeting to inspect and approve the accounts is arranged for the 19th of April at 7.30 pm at the home of Cllr. Lyne

1266 – Meeting reports and correspondence

No additional meetings attended. Clerk Society magazine taken by Cllr. Goodwin.

1267 – Magazine Report

To be prepared by the clerk and circulated for approval prior to submission. Matters to be included – speed watch volunteers, telephone kiosk change, safety marking kits, annual council report, date for annual meetings. Cllr. Waltho will provisionally book the Plough for May 30th just in case the hall is not ready.

1268 – Future meetings

At the request of the clerk the date for meetings in 2018 has been brought to the beginning of the month to allow for better communication through the magazine and avoid clashes with end of year deadlines. Meetings in 2018 will be on the first Tuesday of alternate months from January. Meetings in 2017 will continue to be on the final Tuesday of the month.

The meeting concluded at 9.00 pm and Carol and Mike were thanked for their attendance and interest.

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ACTION LIST FROM MEETING 4TH APRIL 2017

CLLR. LYNE TO PREPARE ANNUAL REPORT AND CIRCULATE TO RESIDENTS PRIOR TO ANNUAL MEETING ON 30TH MAY

PCSO JULIA SHORT TO OBTAIN PRECIS OF THE SPREAD SHEETS AND SEND TO CLLR. LYNE. ALSO SEND A LINK TO OBTAIN AND SPEED GUN. ALSO CONTINUE TO LOOK INTO PROBLEMS WITH LADERA

CLERK TO CONTACT ARRIVA AND D & G REGARDING NONE USE OF THE SLIP ROAD

CLLR. SMETHAM TO REPORT BACK WHEN LADERA QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN CLARIFIED AND ANSWERED

CLLR. WALTO TO PUBLICISE THE PRESENTATION EVENING FOR THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ON 26TH APRIL AT THE PLOUGH

CLLR. WALTHO TO STUDY AND SUMMARISE WHAT WE NEED TO DO NOW WE HAVE THE KIOSK AND THE DEFIB

CLLR. LYNE TO LOOK AT COMMUNICATION FROM CHALC ON THE FUTURE OF BROADBAND FOR EATON

CLERK TO ARRANGE FOR PURCHASE AND FITTING OF NEW SWING SEAT IN THE PARK

CLLR.WALTHO TO OBTAIN QUOTE FOR TIMBER TREATMENT IN THE PARK BUT HOLD BACK TO INSPECT ROSPA REPORT

CLERK TO PREPARE ALL END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS AND SUBMISSIONS FOR AUDIT FOR THE MEETING AT CLLR.LYNE ON 19TH APRIL AT 7.30

CLLR.WALTHO TO BOOK PLOUGH FOR 30TH MAY TO COVER FOR HALL MEETING

CLERK TO PREPARE MAGAZINE REPORT AND CIRCULATE FOR APPROVAL

