

Minutes of meeting of Eaton Parish Council held at the Church/Community Hall on Tuesday 12th January, 2016

**Present: Cllrs. Lyne, Bonner, Coates, Bostock and Waltho.
Ward Cllr. Lesley Smetham, Clerk Mrs. D. Waite**

Apologies: Cllrs. Goodwin and MacCormack

Residents: Mr. N. Slater

Mr. Slater was concerned about the mitigations on the Link Road. Cllr. Lyne replied that we have not been consulted on the exact mitigations and the possible use of School Lane, which is not acceptable, if the final phase of the link road does not take place. Cllr. Waltho advised he had been involved with much of the meetings with Cheshire East and none of the measure discussed have been included in the planning application. We were prepared to accept the original plan plus the discussed mitigations but none of his has transpired. Mr. Slater proposed that School Lane should be closed and the Council would look favourably on this and making it one way would not solve any problems. Cllr. Lyne asked Mr. Slater what more he wished us to do and was assured that we would continue to fight any proposals which adversely affected the village.

Council Meeting

Prior to any council business, the Council recorded it's sincere condolences to Cllr. Goodwin on the recent sudden death of her husband John.

1114 – Minutes

The minutes of the November and December meetings were approved and signed. Copies of the important responses to the Link Road application have been attached to the minutes.

1115 – Link Road

The clerk advised that she had just been contacted by Susanna Guest from the Planning Inspectorate who queried where we had her contact from and what type of response we were looking for. The clerk advised that we were seeking clarification that the late changes to the plan and on which we had not been notified or consulted were in fact legal. Susanna is ringing the clerk on Wednesday and will be asked to respond to our letter of 9th December which details our concerns.

Cllr Smetham who had been away was not aware that the changes had been made without our knowledge. Cllr Lyne had had discussions with Paul Griffiths and there was no consultation with us on the major changes which may be implemented. Also on the mitigation measures there is some confusion whether these will be implemented prior or post the work on the road. The planning meeting will be on a Wednesday and will be in either Crewe or Macclesfield

starting at 10.30 pm and we should be notified on how to make representation and the agenda for the meeting. Cllr. Lyne has set out the points which we would wish to raise at this time and the clerk will notify her immediately we hear.

1116 – Neighbourhood Plan

Although we need a plan, we do not have the personnel resources to do this. Cllrs. Coates and Lyne felt we should have a flyer to ask residents whether we have a plan, setting out the advantages and disadvantages of this. We need to invite Tom Evans to a meeting to explain this. Cllr. Waltho said he would be prepared to assist if suitable people come forward to do this. A leaflet will need to be prepared and circulated. Cllr. Lyne felt we must come up with a plan regardless of interest. Cllr. Waltho assisted by Cllr. Bostock will prepare a possible flyer and submit this to Cllr. Lyne and Cllr. Bostock felt any initial meeting should be held informally possibly in The Plough. In the meantime Cllr. Waltho will prepare a short note for the next parish magazine. Cllr. Bonner felt that winter was not the time to push this forward and maybe we should concentrate on this in the spring.

1117 – Community Hub

This was an item raised by Cllr. Smetham who felt that the needs of the small parishes were not being met. A questionnaire had been prepared but not a lot of it was relevant to Eaton. Cllr Bonner suggested that when we had modified it, it could be attached to the annual report. Put this item on the next agenda for consideration.

1118 – Ladera Lodges

We have replied direct to the Planning Inspectorate following the appeal from the owners listing our comments and we await their reply.

1119 – Possible defibrillator

Cllr. Lyne was keen on this and had investigated the possibility of installing this in a cabinet on an outside wall of The Plough. It must be accessible 24/7 and have someone familiar with its use. Cllr. Smetham was familiar with other parishes having one and stated they were very simple to use. Cllr. Lyne had spoken to the Plough and they are willing to site this and for us to link into their electricity supply. We would be prepared to go halves on the cost of the installation and the equipment itself is provided free of charge. Cllr. Coates offered to liaise with the Plough and will report back to Cllr. Lyne in good time to apply for the equipment before March.

1120 – Website and Broadband

Cllr. MacCormack had sent an e mail stating all was up to date on the website and she had no update on broadband. Cllr. Smetham stated we needed to show interest on the scheme from Sutton Common which involved Vispa. Cllr. Bonner

is planning to fund his own connection but he will speak to Cllr. MacCormack and investigate a possible connection for the village through Vispa. Put this on the next agenda

1121 – Tarmac

The clerk had been in direct communication with Grahame Fyles and the next liaison meeting will be on Monday next the 18th of January at 6.00 pm. Cllrs. Waltho, Bonner and the Clerk will attend. Also Grahame has planned a public drop in meeting at the hall on Friday 29th January from 3.00 to 7.00 pm. This will require a flyer and Grahame will have this prepared but we may need to circulate this. Confirm at the liaison meeting. Cllr. Coates will open up the hall for the meeting on the 29th and put the heating on.

1122 – Millennium Park

Cllr. Bonner is waiting for suitable weather to inspect the sun dial and arrange a suitable repair for the surround. Inspection reports will be sent electronically to the clerk for retention on the pc.

1123 – Highway matters

Cllr. Coates again has water lying through a blockage under the main road but this would be major work which cannot presently be undertaken. The signs in School Lane all need cleaning and the clerk to contact Andy Simpson on this. Cllr. Bonner had noted that at a Knutsford meeting their PCSO was carrying out speed checks and he will enquire if we have a contact for Eaton. We are still wanting the black ribbons on the road and this to be put on the next agenda.

1124 – Transparency Act

Cllr. MacCormack had confirmed that all the required documents were now on the council website.

1125 – Accounts for payment

Clerk Account - £366.68 – cheque No. 625 – approved for payment.

1126 – Finance reports to the Council

The clerk passed reports on receipts, payments and bank reconciliation to the members, bank statement was checked and all approved. The clerk had submitted the precept for payment, sent a copy of the precept for display on our website and will put a copy on the notice board following notification in the parish magazine.

1127 – Change in audit arrangements

From April 2017 arrangements for audit will be changed. There will be no need for an external audit but the accounts must be audited and there is now a

scheme through NALC to provide audit services to small councils. The council felt we should go along with this and not opt out to continue as before. Therefore we need take no action and will be advised in due course of our new audit arrangements for 2017.

1128 – Meeting reports

Cllr. Lyne reported on the highways meeting she had attended and the lack of progress on our request for black ribbons but being winter time it would not be suitable for these to be laid at present. There is a further meeting in Spring and this item to be put on the March agenda.

1129 – Correspondence

Clerk magazine taken by Cllr. Waltho. Letter with attachments from the Police Commissioner with details of the next meeting – taken by Cllr. Lyne.

1130 – Magazine report

Include small note from Cllr.Waltho on neighbourhood plan. Mention application for a defibrillator which will be sited outside the Plough and will have 24/7 access. Mention precept which is on our website and will be on the notice board. Also send New Year greetings from the council.

1131 – Next Meeting

This will be on Tuesday 8th March at 7.00 pm.

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ACTION LIST ON MEETING 12TH JANUARY, 2016

CLERK TO TAKE CALL FROM PLANNING INSPECTORATE AND EXPLAIN THE RESPONSE WE NEED

CLLR. SMETHAM TO ENSURE WE ARE NOTIFIED OF THE PLANNING MEETING ON THE LINK ROAD

CLLR.WALTHO TO PREPARE SMALL ARTICLE FOR THE PARISH MAGAZINE TO START DISCUSSION ON A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

CLERK TO KEEP COMMUNITY HUB ON THE NEXT AGENDA

CLLR. COATES TO LAISE WITH PLOUGH ON SITING OF DEFIBRILLATO AND REPORT BACK TO CLLR. LYNE

CLLR. BONNER TO CONTACT CLLR. MACCORMACK ON POSSIBLE VISPA PROVISION OF BROADBAND AND INVESTIGATE THIS

CLLRS WALTHO, BONNER AND THE CLERK TO ATTEND LIAISON MEETING ON JANUARY 18TH AND CLLR. COATES TO OPEN UP HALL FOR PUBLIC MEETING ON THE 29TH AT 3.00 PM

CLLR. BONNER TO INSPECT SUNDIAL AND DECIDE REPAIRS WHEN WEATHER IS SUITABLE

CLERK TO ENSURE 'BLACK RIBBONS' ARE ON THE NEXT AGENDA

CLERK TO CONTACT ANDY SIMPSON ON CLEANING SCHOOL LANE SIGNS

CLERK TO PREPARE MAGAZINE REPORT AS NOTED IN MINUTES