

**Minutes of meeting of Eaton Parish Council held at the Church/Community Hall on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2016**

**Present: Cllrs. Lyne, McCormack, Bonner, Coates, Waltho and Evans**

**Clerk: Mrs. D. Waite; Ward Cllr. Lesley Smetham**

**Apologies: Cllr. Goodwin**

**Resident: Mrs. W. Dobson**

**Residents' 10 minute period**

**Mrs. Dobson merely wished to enquire if anyone was aware of an open field where she would be permitted to walk her new dog on a lead. She had found walking on Back Lane unsuitable due to traffic. Advised that the fields were private and Clerk suggested she walk up to the park, cross and follow the footpath down to Lower Heath and on return cross by Brookside Cottages – each affording a clear view of the road.**

**Council Meeting**

**1212 – Minutes**

**The minutes of the September and interim meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> November were approved and signed.**

**1213 – PCSO Reports**

**Julia Short attended accompanied by our new Rural Crime Officer – Garry Chanock. Only one incident since last meeting – being a suspicious car which turned out to be a visitor looking for somewhere to park. A site visit had been made to Back Lane – several conditions not complied with, i.e. passing places. Some road erosion near to the Ladera site will cause problems for road users. No footpath towards the A536. No sign of any improvements in the site of a bus stop. Access on to the A536 is not advisable. They have to wait for an answer to these problems and then see what comes up.**

**Speed Watch – Grant for this to go ahead. No evidence for enforcement on a regular basis. However, a community speed watch could change the situation if speeding does occur on a regular basis. Speed watch volunteers can operate in own village or elsewhere and the speed gun would belong to the council together**

**with high viz jackets. If we can find the volunteers then Julia would arrange for a presentation to get this moving. Need more publicity for this – ask Church to put a notice up. Cllrs. Coates, McCormack, Lyne, Evans and Smetham put their names forward.**

### **Marking Kits**

**An article has gone into the December Parish Magazine offering these. When we have the names then Julia will go round to each and explain the procedure, register on the data base and if necessary do the marking. She particularly wished any vulnerable residents to be included. Each bottle will mark up to 30 items. Contact her when we have the names.**

### **1214 – Link Road update**

**Cllr. Waltho had attended the exhibition and the monies earmarked are for all mitigation measures and could be added to as required. Until the measures are known they do not know what money is required., Cllr. Waltho asked whether we could enter into discussion, Cheshire East will be dealing with this. It will be six months before it is needed to discuss the mitigation measures. Cllr. Smetham advised the 201 houses at Lower Heath had been passed. There will be mitigation for the A536 on this also. Moss Lane will be a bridle way as part of the link road.**

**S106 – Asked that when measures to be considered for S106 are decided we are included in the consultation. Cllr Smetham – e mail exchange now that the 201 houses have been approved – can we have a conversation on this to be included in the decisions made., Clerk to send an e mail to this effect.**

### **1215 – Traffic Speed update**

**Cllrs. Lyne and Evans attended the meeting about speeding issues and were advised that they intend to do this in the spring. We did ask for an explanation of the spread sheet. Cheshire East advised that they wanted to do the survey again. No results have been received from the second survey. We still wish to be advised of the conclusion of the survey. Clerk to ask Cllr. Smetham to look into this for us.**

### **1216 – Parish Finances**

**We await further Government developments. Keep an eye on this.**

## **1217 – Neighbourhood Plan**

**Cllr. McCormack – have met over a couple of weeks. We are approved as a team in our Parish Plan. A 17 page questionnaire will be delivered to each resident covering a wide range of issues. This will be delivered soon and will be concluded in the weekend of the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a £30 M & S voucher pulled out from the returns. Depending on the data analysis will be the conclusion at a forthcoming meeting. From this a plan will be drawn up. When the plan is drawn up there will need to be a certain percentage voting on this.**

**Housing Need Support – There is no proposal for a housing need assessment. Tom Evans stated we have a growing need in the village and also to cover the Cheshire East gap in housing provision. Cllr. Smetham does not envisage us having to provide many houses. Clerk to put a thank you in the magazine from Cllr. McCormack to residents for participating.**

## **1218 – Highway Matters**

**The gulleys in School Lane, Beechwood Drive and Crauford Road have been done. The gully on the A536 has finally also been done. Clerk to include article in the magazine. Cllr. Waltho reported on Back Lane but no improvements have really taken place. Cllr. Smetham reported that residents of Ladera were pressing for improvements on the conditions. Clerk to send e mail to Cllr. Smetham urging pressure to repair the road. Temporary repairs have further deteriorated and the Police Authority have confirmed that the condition of the road is unacceptable. Send copy of this e mail to Robin Johnson.**

## **1219 - DNA Security Kits**

**This has been covered in the PCSO report**

## **1220 - Defibrillator and telephone kiosk**

**Cllr. Coates has completed the form to BHF. Slight doubt about the telephone kiosk. We have gone ahead with this and will decide on the place when we have more information on where it is going. Cllr. Waltho – It is understood that BT will pay for the power used in the kiosk. If the defib goes in the telephone box it needs to be inspected on a weekly basis. We have to have agreement from the Ambulance Service that it goes in the kiosk. Await developments. The Council**

**agreed unanimously that we adopt the telephone kiosk and hopefully for the above purpose. Proposed Cllr. McCormack, seconded Cllr.Waltho. Cllr. Waltho will complete the required forms for this.**

#### **1221 – Broadband**

**Vispa are putting in a planning application and Cllr. Smetham thought we might be advised to comment favourably on this to provide competition. Cllr. McCormack reported there were pockets where high speed cannot be obtained. John Bradburn is looking into change from copper to fibre. Keep on the agenda.**

#### **1222 – Website**

**We have a new site package thanks to John Goodwin who helped and advised on this and it is now working well. Site address is confirmed as [www.eatoncheshire.co.uk](http://www.eatoncheshire.co.uk) . Clerk will keep Cllr McCormack up to date on our council responsibilities to the Transparency Act.**

#### **1223 – Millennium Park**

**Cllr. Coates has looked at the large swing which was reported to be moving - it is ok. A further inspection will be made to make sure. The hedge cutting around the park has been done but not the roadside which no doubt Tarmac will do as requested. The new gate signs have been purchased and put in place. Make a maintenance inspection of the equipment in Spring. Inspection reports have been forwarded to the clerk.**

#### **1224 – Accounts for payment**

**The following were approved –**

**S.Oakes – Perennial bank maintenance - £260 – cheque No, 644**

**S.Oakes – Millennium Park weeding - £240 – cheque No. 645**

**S.Oakes – mowing play area - £120 – cheque No. 646**

**Eaton Church – share hall grass cutting £180 – cheque No,647**

**Eaton Church – hire of hall - £120 – cheque No. 648**

**D.Waite – salary,allowance and expenses - £396.68 – cheque No. 649**

#### **1225 – Bi monthly report**

**Each member given copy of receipts, payments and bank reconciliation and these were checked against bank statements and approved.**

## **1226 – Budget and Precept 2017/18**

**The clerk presented each member with a copy of her budget and possible figures for the precept. Following a lengthy discussion and inspection of the reserve figures, it was felt that with the possible coming increased inflation we should take any inflation figures in the budget from reserves and keep the precept as low as possible. Cllr. Lyne felt that a precept in line with our payments in this year would be enough and proposed a precept of £4600 - £200 below last year. This was formally proposed to the council by Cllr. McCormack and seconded by Cllr. Coates. The Council were in full agreement on this.**

## **1227 – Meeting reports**

**No additional meetings had been attended**

## **1228 – Correspondence**

**Only Clerk's magazine which no-one took but will be read by the clerk for any useful information.**

## **1229 – Magazine Report**

**Quite a lot to include – New Year greetings; new PCSO Garry Charnock and report, thank you to residents for completing the neighbourhood plan questionnaires plus winner of voucher – conclusions of plan to follow asap, deterioration of Back Lane – residents to report any problems; website – we have a new village site – let Cllr. McCormack have events for this; special thanks to Liz Mitchell for the new photo background and to John Goodwin in setting up the new site; reduced precept; gulleys have been jetted – please keep them clear of leaf build up and debris.**

## **1230 – Any other business**

**Cllr. Bonner reported that they had been successful in obtaining a grant of £30,000 for further work on hall improvements. The hall will be unavailable to hire in February and March.**

## **1231 – Next Meeting**

**Cllr. Smetham is unavailable on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in January and the meeting will take place on TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY at 7.00 pm**

**SIGNED.....**

**DATE.....**

**ACTION LIST FROM MEETING 22<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2016**

**CLERK TO ASK CHURCH TO PUT UP A NOTICE ASKING FOR SPEED WATCH VOLUNTEERS**

**CLERK TO CONTACT JULIA SHORT WHEN WE HAVE NAMES FOR THE DNA KITS**

**CLERK TO E MAIL CLLR. SMETHAM FOR US TO BE INCLUDED IN S106 DISCUSSIONS FOLLOWING APPROVAL OF THE 201 HOUSES AT LOWER HEATH**

**CLERK TO ASK CLLR. SMETHAM TO LOOK INTO EXPLANATION ON THE SPEEDING SPREAD SHEETS**

**CLERK TO INCLUDE THANK YOU TO RESIDENTS ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN IN THE MAGAZINE REPORT**

**CLERK TO ASK RESIDENTS, VIA MAGAZINE, TO REPORT ANY PROBLEMS ON BACK LANE DUE TO ROAD CONDITION**

**CLERK TO E MAIL CLLR. SMETHAM – COPY TO ROBIN JOHNSON – ON CONTINUING STATE OF BACK LANE AND POLICE REPORT**

**CLLR. WALTHO TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON ADOPTING TELEPHONE KIOSK**

**CLERK TO INCLUDE THANKS TO LIZ MITCHELL AND JOHN GOODWIN IN MAGAZINE FOR WORK ON NEW WEBSITE**

**COUNCIL TO MAKE SPRING INSPECTION OF ALL PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR MAINTENANCE AND EARLY CHECK ON SAFETY OF LARGE SWING**

**CLERK TO REPORT THE PRECEPT FIGURE IN THE MAGAZINE**

**CLERK TO PREPARE MAGAZINE REPORT FOR CLLR. LINE TO APPROVE AS MINUTED.**

**CLERK TO NOTE REVISED DATE OF NEXT MEETING IN MAGAZINE**