

EYDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th September 2014 at
7.30pm

Eydon Village Hall

Item

1. Present: Councillors M Hawes (Chair), K Simmons (Vice-Chair) R Collins, C Henson, K Lodge, I Stewart, Clerk Mr A Hartley in attendance.

2. Apologies: Councillor N Stewart.

3. Open Meeting:

Members of public present: Mrs C Turbett and Mr D Kench.

With regard to agenda item 7.2, a member of the public suggested there was a prescriptive right of way from the Bufton Field Bridleway.

With regard to agenda item 14.2, a member of the public stated the view that the planning application should be refused.

4. Declaration of Interests: None declared.

5. Resolution to sign and approve the Minutes of the meetings held on the 12th August 2014: The Minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

6. Matters Arising:

1. Further to Minute 7.1 of 10th June 2014, correspondence between the ECSF, PC and MGSWP (NCC) had commenced regarding a proposal to install a footway, adjacent to the highway, to the sports field. The costs were anticipated to be high, the Clerk is to enquire with Scott's Landscapes the option to trim the cemetery hedge back sufficiently to allow safer pedestrian use along the existing verge.
2. The Clerk advised that a CD of photos of a property along Doctors Lane (prior to the sewage treatment works upgrade) had been received for filing only.

7. Highway and Byway issues:

1. **Butterfly Bridge:** The Parish Council noted the recent correspondence received from the NCC Footpaths Officer following the request for an update timetable for repairs. It was considered that the bridleway closure problems may still not be resolved for some considerable time.
2. **Access to the Eydon Community Sports Field via the Bufton Bridleway:** the Parish Council noted that this matter had recently been discussed by the owners of Bufton Field, a member of the Parish Council and also the Eydon Footpaths Warden and also noted that any future resolution of the matter by the Parish Council may be limited. The ECSF representative would suggest to the ECSF Committee that it takes the lead in progressing this matter.
3. **Repairs to Hill View verge:** The Parish Council is to noted the response to correspondence forwarded to MGSWP regarding the current repairs and resolved that the Clerk write to MGSWP/NCC to request discussion to/or direct reinstatement of the grass verge as before.

8. Stocks: The Parish Council noted that the liability for maintenance of the stocks has been transferred from NCC to the Parish Council, the Clerk is to advise the Parish Council's insurers accordingly. It is anticipated that a local craftsman will undertake future inspections and remedial works but this person has yet to be identified.

9. South Northants Homes car parking consultation: The Parish Council noted the correspondence received but was unaware of any extraordinary issues specific to these properties. The matter is to be raised in the EVN and the Clerk shall contact some of the relevant residents for feedback to SNH.

10. Eydon Parish Council Finance Sub-committee Terms of Reference: The Parish Council considered and adopted the Terms of Reference for the year ending 31st March 2015.

11. Eydon Parish Council Planning Sub-committee terms of Reference: The Parish Council considered and adopted the Terms of Reference for the year ending 31st March 2015.

12. Reports:

1. **Eydon Village Hall:** On behalf of the EVH Committee Cllr Collins enquired if the EVHC could reclaim VAT. It was suggested that it could

not but if information to the contrary came to light following the meeting, Cllr Collins would be advised.

It was also noted that the rebuilt wall at the back of the hall appears to have encroached slightly across the boundary line as the gap between the handrail and wall is narrower than before.

It was noted that Mr Keenan was working with the EVHC to try and source additional funding.

Minutes of the August EVHC meeting had been circulated prior to the Parish Council Meeting.

2. **Eydon Community Sports Field:** None received. Any outstanding Committee meeting minutes are to be circulated in due course.

13. Finance:

1. Receipts. The Parish Council noted the following receipts.

1. New Homes Bonus reimbursement	£800
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2. Payments. The Parish Council approved the following payments

1. Eydon Village Hall rental from April to June 2014	£48.00
	Cheque 300089

2. Scott's Landscapes Village and Cemetery grass cutting in July.	
£343.00 + £68.60 VAT =	£411.60
	Cheque 300090

3. NCALC Playground Management training course fee (Cllr N Stewart)	
	£39.00
	Cheque 300091

The Parish Council considered and agreed to Cllr N Stewart's offer for this sum to be cross-invoiced to him as the outcome from the course may be used by him personally rather than directly for the benefit of Eydon Parish.

3. Bank balances: The Parish Council noted the following:

Current Account: End of Aug 2014	£1341.19
Deposit Account: End of Aug 2014	£14490.55

There were no outstanding un-presented cheques.

14. Planning.

1. Applications received for consultation and comment:-

1. S/2014/1271/FUL

Ashbys Farm Preston Road Eydon

Two storey rear extension.

The Parish Council considered the above and agreed it had no objections to the application.

2. Various planning appeals and new application DA/2014/0682

Slade Leys Farm

Construction of replacement barn for storage of hay/straw and stabling.

The Parish Council considered the above applications and appeals and had a number of concerns regarding the ongoing development and usage of the premises. The Clerk to advise Daventry District Council accordingly.

2. The Parish Council is to note application S/2014/0992/FUL had been refused.

15. Correspondence not covered above.

Received via email, previously circulated and noted at the meeting:-

1. Police Commissioner: requesting contribution to the Parish Magazine:-
Considered and declined.

2. NCALC: Update newsletter, information regarding forthcoming training courses and notice of the forthcoming AGM.
3. A request to advertise an event at Stowe House in EVN. PC considered and declined.
4. Eydon Village Hall Committee advising of further structural deterioration of the village hall, particularly cracks beneath the windows. PC noted.
5. Information from the Alzheimer's Society.
6. NAB visits to Daventry.

Received by post

7. Sales brochures for Glasdon equipment and Solagen products.

16. Councillors' Comments and items for the next agenda.

1. The Chairman noted that work undertaken by the Community Enhancement Gang was done so more professionally than originally anticipated, consequently it might be prudent to make fuller use of this scheme in future years.
2. Cllr Lodge advised the meeting as a point of interest that since the late 1990's a 45 acre site in the Parish has been registered as a Site of Scientific Interest.
3. Cllr Henson advised the Meeting that applications for the Eydon Educational Trust Fund awards are to be considered in November.
4. Cllr Henson advised that temporary speed warning signs had been erected prior to the school summer holidays, however two had been removed soon afterwards.

17. Next meetings :

Eydon Village Hall, Tuesday 14th October 2014.

Meeting closed : 9.10pm