

EYDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Eydon Parish Council Meeting held from 7.30pm on Tuesday 14th of March 2017 in the Village Hall, High Street, Eydon.

1. **Councillors present:** Cllrs K Simmons (Chairman), R Collins, J Walker and N Stewart. The Clerk was in attendance.

2. **The Parish Council is to receive and consider for approval apologies for absence:** Received from Cllrs W Coy, C Henson and J Maxted.

3. **Open meeting:**

3 Members of Public were present

A resident reminded the Parish Council of an arrangement that had previously been made by which the PCC would periodically inspect the grave of Sir Edward Ford and should the need arise, meet any costs for its maintenance though benefits accrued from the Lord Brand Settlement, to which Sir Edward Ford had himself added.

4. **Declaration of Interest** on agenda items by Parish Councillors: None declared.

5. **Resolution to approve and sign the Minutes of the Eydon Parish Council Meeting held on the 14th of February 2017 as a true record of that meeting.**

The Minutes were agreed to be correct and signed by the Chairman accordingly.

6. **Matters arising:**

1. With reference to earlier discussions regarding speeding traffic in the village, the Clerk advised that the Police have installed speed measuring devices in locations within the Eydon and shall be forwarding reports to the PC in due course.

2. Correspondence has been forwarded to the Village Hall Committee, via Chairman Mr Brown, requesting permission for the newly acquired defibrillator to be housed on an exterior Village Hall wall, a response is awaited.

7. **Highway and byway issues:**

1. *To receive and consider a report from the Highways Warden if available.*

The Highways Warden advised that the long awaited NCC Highways Dept repairs had been satisfactorily completed to Barnett's Hill and the Byfield Rd. The Parish Council also noted that unfortunately, emergency gas works had

resulted in additional excavation on Barnett's Hill within 24hrs of the NCC repairs.

2. *The Parish Council is to consider correspondence received advising of an application process to join the NCC Local Access Forum.*

The Chairman advised the Meeting that this correspondence had been forwarded to the Eydon Walkers group to which it was considered to be of greater interest.

8. Consultations: *The Parish Council is to consider the following public consultation notifications:-*

1. *Consultation on Northamptonshire County Council's Prioritisation Framework and Process. (Previously circulated to residents via EVN email list):* Noted by the Parish Council.
2. *NCC Free Childcare Parental Survey. (Previously circulated to residents via EVN email list):* Noted by the Parish Council.
3. *Invitation to Local Plan Part 2A Consultation Briefing Sessions:* The PC noted that the Clerk shall be attending and report back to a future PC Meeting.
4. *Oxfordshire's Health and Care Services - The Big Consultation - Phase 1: (Previously circulated to residents via EVN email list):* Noted by the Parish Council.

9. Storm damage and associated matters:

1. *The Parish Council is to consider the recent storm damage to the Burial Ground.*

The current status of damage to the wall was noted and the Clerk advised that the wall to the Burial Ground was not included on the insurance schedule. The Parish Council agreed that the Clerk should obtain a likely cost of repair to the wall and explore possible sources of contribution towards these costs.

2. *The Parish Council is to receive and consider correspondence from residents regarding the recent storm conditions with implications to public areas of the village.*

Correspondence had been received from a resident of Lime Avenue who had suggested the mature trees along the roadside appeared to be very vulnerable to damage in such storm conditions and there were associated safety concerns. The Parish Council agreed the Clerk would refer the matter to Northants County Council which is responsible for those trees.

- 10. Village Lighting:** *The Parish Council is to note that the Eon Deemed Contract rate for electricity supply is to increase by 9.4% from 1st April 2017.*

The Parish Council noted the proposed increase in supply cost.

11. Village and Community enhancement:

1. *The Parish Council is to continue discussion of the development and promotion of pro-active aims within the village and community.*

Discussion was deferred to a future Meeting.

- 12. Grass Cutting 2017:** *The Parish Council is to consider and agree for an additional area of grass adjacent to the entry to the Eydon Community Sports Field to be included within the Parish Council's grass mowing arrangements for the coming season.*

The inclusion of this additional area into the routine grass management programme was agreed by the Parish Council. The Clerk shall also arrange a convenient date and time for a representative of the mowing contractors, The Ground Care Company, to meet Cllr Simmons on site to clarify the village mowing requirements for the coming season.

13. Reports:

The Parish Council is to receive and consider reports from the following if available:

1. Eydon Village Hall:- Minutes of the most recent Committee Meeting had been previously circulated, there was no further report.
2. Eydon Community Sports Field:- None received.
3. Eydon Educational Trust:- The Trust was due to meet during the following week.

14. Financial Matters:

1. Receipts. The Parish Council noted the following receipt received since the previous Meeting.

1. Northants County Council grass mowing grant: £163.38

2. Payments.

The Parish Council considered and approved the following payments:

1. Alison Design and Marketing: EVN formatting etc £60.00
Cheque no. 300291

2. Texprep: EVN printing and delivery: £67.45 + £ 2.31 VAT = £69.76
Cheque no. 300292

3. Bank balances: The Parish Council noted the Unity Trust Bank statement balances for the end of the February 2017.

Current Account: £2844.90

Deposit Account: £25,897.13

4. Payroll services:

1. *The Parish Council is to consider correspondence received from the payroll service provider with regard to the update of the conditions and continuance of the contract.*

The Parish Council agreed to continue the contract of Diane Malley as the payroll service provider as specified in the correspondence, held on file.

15. Planning Matters:

1. The Parish Council considered the consultation requests for the following planning applications:

1. Application No. S/2017/0489/FUL
Proposal: Two storey side and single storey rear extensions
Location: 14 Manitoba Way Eydon NN11 3PT

Decision: No objection.

2. Application No. S/2017/0530/FUL
Proposal: Replace window with double doors in rear elevation
Location: Clear View Farm 63 High Street Eydon NN11 3PP

Decision: No objection.

3. Application No. S/2017/0531/LBC
Proposal: Replace window with double doors in rear elevation
Location: Clear View Farm 63 High Street Eydon NN11 3PP

Decision: No objection.

2. The Parish Council noted the details of the application received for information only:

1. Application No: S/2017/0365/TCA
Proposal: The felling & removal one Apple tree (T1), one Walnut tree (T2) and one Pear tree (T3).
Location: Oak Farm House 47 High Street EYDON NN11 3PP.

16. Notable Correspondence: *The Parish Council is to consider correspondence received since the previous meeting that is not covered above.*

Received via email and previously circulated:

1. NCALC Training Course information – noted.
2. Invitation to Police and Crime Commissioner Meeting – noted.
3. Police contact information - noted.
4. CPRE information – noted.

17. Councillors' comments and statement of items for inclusion on a future agenda.

1. It had been noticed that someone has been occasionally parking on the turning circle on the Village Green. It was suggested that if this is continued, a request not to do so should be put in the EVN.
2. It was asked that if Oxfordshire County Council became a Unitary Authority as currently being considered, would there be cost implications to Eydon through the potential increased costs that would be placed upon SNC. The Clerk shall forward a website link to the Parish Council regarding this matter.

18. Confirm date, time and venue of the next Parish Council Meeting.

11th April 2017, 7.30pm Eydon Village Hall.

19. Close of meeting: 8.15pm