

EYDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes from the Meeting of Eydon Parish Council
held from 7.30pm, Tuesday 8th of October 2019
in the Village Hall, High Street, Eydon.

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

2. **The Parish Council is to receive and consider for approval apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Cllrs W Coy, J Maxted and N Stewart and accepted by the Parish Council.

3. **Open meeting:** One member of public was present, no comments were made from the Floor.
4. **Declaration of Interest on agenda items by Parish Councillors:** There were no declarations of interest.
5. **Resolution to approve and sign the Minutes of the Eydon Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th of September 2019 as a true record of that meeting.**

The Parish Council agreed these Minutes to be a true record as described, the Minutes were signed by the Chairman accordingly.

6. **Matters arising:**

1. Cllr J Walker advised that the Village Hall Committee was in agreement for the wifi system, as discussed during the September 2019 Meeting, to be installed in the Village Hall.

7. **Planning Matters:**

1. *The Parish Council is to consider and respond to the consultation requests for the following planning applications:*

1. Application No. DA 2017 0826 amended

Outline application for new medical centre and residential development.

Land at Woodford Road, Byfield, Northamptonshire.

Parish Council response:

Eydon Parish Council recognises and supports the need for the current Byfield Medical Practice to expand to allow for the required increase to its Patient List due to the influx of new residents in its catchment area and is concerned that otherwise, possible new residents of Eydon would not be able to join the List.

However, Eydon Parish Council can only support this in principle, it is for the due process to take place within the planning application procedure and believe that it is the residents and Councillors who are directly affected by the building proposals to make their views known to the planning authority in the normal way as they are the people who are in a position to judge the application on its merits.

8. Highway and byway issues:

The Parish Council is to:

1. *Receive reports from the Highways and Rights of Way Wardens if available.*

The Highways Warden presented a verbal report and advised that there had been no repair of any reported potholes since the last Eydon PC Meeting, there was to be another Community Speed Watch programme commencing later in the week and the relevant information to allow discussion on the possible installation of speed warning signs is currently being gathered.

2. *Consider correspondence received from Northamptonshire Highways which outlined the proposed repairs schedule to the Moreton rd.*

The correspondence was noted. The Chairman stated he would write to Northamptonshire Highways to seek clarification regarding the reasoning behind the proposed repair protocol.

3. *Discuss the future maintenance of the wildflower verges within Eydon.*

Cllr J Walker agreed to discuss the matter, on behalf of the Parish Council, with the resident who developed the wildflower verges and report back to a future Meeting.

4. *Doctors Lane access to sewage treatment works: The Parish Council is to re-consider correspondence received from Thames Water regarding the means to off-set problems associated with the large tanker access to the works.*

It was noted that advisory road markings had recently been painted onto the High Street adjacent to the entrance to Doctors Lane, the proposed discussion to offer support for Thames Water's request for the road markings to be permitted by Northamptonshire Highways was thus not considered necessary.

9. **Consultations:** The Parish Council is to consider and respond if appropriate to the following consultation request:

1. *SNC: Empty Homes Week 2019.*

It was noted that the Lodge and Gate House to Eydon Hall along with The Folly, High Street, were thought to be currently empty.

10. **Website review:** *The Parish Council is to review and discuss the current development of the new village website.*

The Parish Council agreed the preview website to be satisfactory and anticipated this to continue when fully populated and operational. The Clerk is to enquire of the site developer the option to incorporate the use of @.gov.uk email accounts for Parish Councillors.

11. **Replacement of the street lights:** *The Parish Council is to agree the design style for the necessary replacement of street light 9.*

The Parish Council agreed that a Windsor range, Iffley design, light be used in this instance.

12. **South Northants Council generated *Eydon Housing Needs Survey*:** *The Parish Council is to agree the content of an introductory letter/information to residents outlining the basis of the proposed survey.*

The Parish Council agreed the introductory letter content as an edited draft previously circulated to Parish Councillors by the Chairman. The Clerk was to forward this and a suitable accompanying village photograph to SNC accordingly.

13. **“Reduce / re-use / recycle”:** *The Parish Council is to consider the introduction and promotion of this initiative in the village.*

Discussion of this matter was deferred to a future meeting.

14. **Reports:**

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

1. Eydon Village Hall: Cllr Walker advised that a number of ceiling tiles had recently been replaced. A grant application from the HS2 Community Fund was currently being drafted for further work to the Hall fabric. The Hall shall be hosting a craft fair in the near future. The Management Committee was very grateful for the recent financial receipt from the annual Eydon Fete.
2. Eydon Community Sports Field: None presented.

3. Eydon Educational Trust: None presented.

15. Financial Matters:

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

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| 1. 2 nd Half-yearly precept from South Northants Council: | £11097. |
| 2. Unity Trust Bank quarterly credit interest: | £44.95 |

2. Payments.

The Parish Council considered and approved or noted as appropriate the following payments:

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| 1. Northants CALC: Cllr J Maxted training course: | £42.00 |
| | Cheque number 300437 |
| 2. Ground Care Company: Village grass mowing: | £350.00 |
| | Cheque number 300440 |
| 3. A Hartley: Clerk quarterly salary and expenses: | £659.10 |
| | Cheque number 300438 |
| 4. Eon: Quarterly electricity invoice: £472.43 + £23.62 VAT | £496.05 |
| | Cheque number 300439 |
| 5. Unity Trust Bank: Quarterly service charge: | £18.00 |
| | Direct withdrawal. |

3. Bank balances: The Parish Council noted the Unity Trust Bank statement balances for the end of the September 2019:

Current Account:	£7230.98
Deposit Account:	£52317.34

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

The following correspondence was noted and filed.

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| 1. Northants CALC: | update newsletters. |
| | AGM invitation/reminder. |
| | Building Communities Prospectus Launched. |

2. Intra-group reorganisation affecting Came & Company.
3. CPRE Northants October 2019 Planning Roadshow reminder.
4. Northants ACRE Parish Council membership - find out how we help.
5. Letter received from a village resident advising of the recurring incidences of dog waste being left on the footpaths despite periodic reminders of the to use the waste bins provided etc.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the resident with thanks for bringing the matter to the Parish Council.

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

1. The Chairman advised that there was to be a Drop-in Meeting for HS2 information in Aston le Walls the following Wednesday.

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

Tuesday 12th of November, 7.30pm, Eydon Village Hall.

19. Close of meeting: 8.45pm.