

Annual Eydon Parish Assembly

Minutes of the Annual Eydon Parish Assembly
held from 8.00pm Tuesday 19th April 2016
Eydon Village Hall.

1. The Assembly was opened and the attendees welcomed by Chair, Mr K Simmons, Chairman of Eydon Parish Council.
2. Those in attendance included: SNC Cllr Ms Sergison-Brooke, Mr R Forsyth, Ms C Tarbutt, Mr G Stretton, Mrs S Stretton, Mr G Denby, Mr M Tasker, Mr D Kench, Mr D Martin, Mr R Collins, Mr N Stewart, Ms R Blanchard, Ms C Henson, Ms W Coy, Mr A Watson, Ms J Maxted, Ms L Nixon, Ms S Jobbins, Mr B McRoberts, County Councillor Mr I Morris, Ms V Wilkins, Ms A Simmons and Mr A Hartley.

Apologies of absence were received from Ms C Bedford and Mr J Grindlay.

3. The Minutes from the 2015 Annual Parish Meeting were approved as being an accurate record of the Assembly.
4. **South Northants Council report:-**

Cllrs Sergison-Brooke advised the Assembly that SNC had moved into new offices on Moat Lane, the recycling levels within the district remain high and there is an increase in the precept to SNC of £5.00 per year. Additional revenue may be generated from a new swimming pool servicing Brackley, currently at the planning stage. SNC is now working in conjunction with Cherwell District Council allowing efficiencies through the off-setting of some of the service costs.

Cllr Sergison-Brooke received questions from the Floor.

5. **Northants County Council report:-**

Cllr Ian Morris presented his report as follows-

The county is undergoing the biggest change that has been seen in many years. The financial pressure continues as the government continues to cut the funding for the County .As part of this change we need look at some sort of combined / Unitary Authorities for the County. At the moment we have nine separate authorities including District, Town and borough Councils as well as the County .There is definitely some confusion amongst the public as to which authority does what. Significant Savings could be made by combining all these authorities and working together. The county have now commissioned a study on the options for a unitary model in Northamptonshire. At the same time South Northamptonshire Council are looking into their options. Until recently the only option they were looking at was a combined authority with Cherwell in Oxfordshire .I understand that they are now looking at options within the County as well. Even though this is at an early stage I do not support a combined Authority with Cherwell as this would

effectively remove South Northamptonshire from the County. I have always believed that we need to look at all options but that these options must be within Northamptonshire's borders. There are going to be a number of options to look at the first are a single unitary authority for the whole county. The second is a two unitary authority and the third would be a three or four unitary option. The first would achieve the greatest savings but might not be the best option for the democracy and governance of the County and I personally favour a two unitary authority roughly split between the north and the south of the county. Until we have further details and figures we can only speculate and all of the Authorities need to work together to deliver a successful outcome. I would be very interested in hearing what people think about this.

In the meantime at the same time as we look at reorganising the structures within the County you are no doubt aware that the County is under continuing financial pressure and having to make further and deeper cuts to its budgets. This has so far been achieved without effecting front line services but this cannot continue going forward and therefore the Council has had to re-think how it delivers its services. This will include the setting up of separate companies to run services and deliver essential cuts going forward without damaging them. LGSS is a good example of such a company and this allows for savings and profits to be generated by working for other organisations.

In connection with the continuing financial pressure the County finds itself under it has been decided to raise the Council Tax for the first time in many years. This increase will be for 4% and will include 2% for Adult Social Care specifically. This will help fund services going forward and prevent any erosion of services.

The first of these delivery vehicles, First for Wellbeing official launched on the 1st April 2016. First for Wellbeing. Operating as an enterprise in its own right, this Community Interest Company will ultimately be able to secure additional income and new business to help increase the Council's and partners' financial security.

Northamptonshire is a growing county, and we have seen the growth in population as a strong trend over the last decade. Over the next 5 year we expect to see an increase of over 50,000 in the numbers of people living in Northamptonshire, with the most pronounced increase being in the numbers of people aged 70 and over. These levels of growth have a significant impact on all services.

Our schools are a particularly pressurised area, with four new schools opened since September 2015 to accommodate the additional demand. Between 2008 and 2017, the Council would have added 14,000 additional primary school places. Since the start of the current school year there have been almost 900 children arriving in the county needing a school place. Currently we require 31 new schools by the end of this cycle.

Fire and Rescue

Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service have reduced its call-outs to false alarms by 66 per cent over the past seven years. In 2008/09, the county's fire service responded to 2,741 unwanted fire signals, which happen when an automatic fire detection system is activated even though a fire has not occurred. Following a thorough risk assessment, a policy which sets out when the fire service will respond to automatic fire alarms bringing the level of unnecessary call-outs below 1,000 a year for the first time.

Our specialist boat rescue team from Northamptonshire supported the flood rescue efforts in Cumbria as part of the fire and rescue service's national resilience arrangements.

Support for Dementia Sufferers

In Northamptonshire it is believed that some 8,000 people suffer from dementia; by 2030, this figure is expected to nearly double. More people with dementia are returning to their own homes after a hospital admission thanks to a new initiative between health and social care.

Our Older Persons Mental Health Pathway project, led by Northamptonshire County Council and NHS Nene Clinical Commissioning Group, has resulted in 57% of dementia patients being discharged back to their own home, compared with 11% in December 2013

England's Economic Heartland Strategic Alliance

England's Economic Heartland seeks devolved powers to boost economic growth in a groundbreaking alliance between Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire. The three counties share much common ground and form the heart of science and technology innovation in the UK with sector markets having a global reach.

The growing devolution agenda nationally has provided the platform for this new approach and England's Economic Heartland wants Government to provide the area with a five-year Growth Deal, unifying the various funding streams available for strategic projects and economic growth. This certainty would give confidence for businesses to invest in the area and give England's Economic Heartland a competitive advantage on the world stage. Already with a £46.6bn economy, England's Economic Heartland, seeks to swell growth by a further £9bn each year, creating at least 135,000 new jobs by 2020.

Creating better road and rail links and easier inter-county travel in a £2.8bn infrastructure investment are the focus of an innovative transport proposition England's Economic Heartland is presenting to government. The Alliance's transport proposal advocates the importance of investment in five strategic transport corridors to realising ambitions for growth locally and nationally – including the A34/43/45 artery, and the A428/A421 Expressway corridor.

The proposal sets out ambitions for how public transport providers could work more cohesively across the three counties and how emerging internet and Smartphone technology could empower travellers in their choices. Although some of the proposals, such as smart-ticketing, may have already been implemented in global cities it is believed that this is the first time they would be applied to shire counties.

Race to the Top

Northamptonshire County Council has awarded schools a share of a £1million fund for projects to improve young people's aspirations. The cash has been made available as part of the county council's innovative Race To The Top strategy, which aims to make Northamptonshire one of the highest performing counties for education by 2020.

A total of 22 bids have been successful and these will now work with the University of Northampton, businesses and voluntary organisations in a variety of projects to improve standards and these got underway in September.

The projects include:

Ferrers School is running master classes and transition projects with pupils at Higham Ferrers Junior School, South End Junior School and Whitefriars Junior School to improve English, math's and science skills and ease their transition to secondary school

The Hospital and Outreach Education pupil referral unit is working to encourage young people with autism and anxiety to re-engage with learning and bring them back into education through The Bridge project

Geddington CofE Primary School has launched the Geddington University, working with Kettering Buccleuch Academy and voluntary sector partners, to provide a series of after-school sessions involving a sporting activity, a homework club, workshops and talks, with the aim of raising aspirations and improving pupil participation

Clipston Endowed VC Primary School is training its lunchtime supervisors to lead positive play activities during break times to engage pupils

Wren Spinney is working with Isebrook and Maplefields Academy to offer work-related learning opportunities for students with learning difficulties at The Studio in Kettering

Also forming part of the Race to the Top strategy is the new Place to teach campaign, led by Northamptonshire Enterprise Partnership, which aims to recruit talented teachers to work in Northamptonshire schools.

Women's Tour

World-class cyclists were cheered on by thousands of spectators for the return of the Aviva Women's Tour to Northamptonshire in June. The county hosted stage three of the five-day cycling event today, which began in Oundle where hundreds of people lined the streets to watch the riders set off on the 139km route. Independent reports showed a massive 67,500 people turned out to watch the Aviva Women's Tour this summer – 12,500 more than last year – and the event

saw a £1 million boost to the local economy, with spectators, cyclists and media personnel spending on things like accommodation, food and drink, and merchandise.

Of the 67,500 people who watched the race, more than half (53%) came from outside of the county, resulting in a boost for local tourism, while 65% of people said the Aviva Women's Tour has inspired them to cycle more often.

Northamptonshire County Council has now agreed with event organisers SweetSpot that a stage of the five-day event will be held in the county next year and in 2017. Northamptonshire will host the final stage of the 2016 Aviva Women's Tour, with the proposed route starting in Northampton town centre and finishing in Kettering.

The last stage of the five-day international women's cycling event will take place in the county on Sunday 19th June and attract some of the world's best female riders. As part of the agreement, SweetSpot will also hold a mass-participation cycle event in the county each year to encourage people, in particular women and families to become more active and get cycling.

A45 Development

Work on the A45 Daventry development link road has officially started with a sod-cutting ceremony officially launching construction work. A45 development link is vital for long-term growth in the Daventry area and improve access between Daventry and the M1 motorway.

The £32million single carriageway which would also effectively provide a by-pass for the villages of Flore, Upper Heyford and Weedon has been made possible through an innovative county council-led funding scheme.

The project has been paid for through an innovative finance arrangement known as the Northamptonshire revolving infrastructure fund, which unites funding streams and sees local authorities, developers and contractors working together to put the money in place. This approach has been possible because of the county council funding the design, planning and implementation costs upfront.

Designed and constructed by KierWSP and Balfour Beatty, the link road will start at a new roundabout on the existing A45 between the settlements of Dodford and Weedon, to the east of Globe Farm. It will then pass to the north of the villages of Weedon, Flore and Upper Heyford before rejoining the A45 at a new roundabout between Upper Heyford and the M1 motorway at junction 16.

Superfast Northamptonshire broadband

The County Council's Superfast Northamptonshire project, which has an ambitious target to see superfast broadband available countywide by the end of 2017, has completed its £12.9 million first stage three months ahead of schedule. Since stage one began in March 2013, fibre broadband infrastructure has been installed as part of a network which serves over 61,300 premises in the county, of which more than 57,500 now have access to superfast broadband (download speeds above 24Mbps).

Working with BT, superfast broadband (download speeds above 24Mbps) has also been made available to more premises than originally expected, helping Northamptonshire remain one of the top performing broadband projects in the country.

Across the county, more than 53,900 homes and businesses which otherwise wouldn't be served – many of them in rural areas - are now able to take up superfast broadband services. In addition, thousands more have seen an increase in speed and can now benefit from faster fibre broadband.

With the original contract due to run until March 2016, it means the work has been delivered more than three months earlier than planned, and under budget.

Work is already underway on a second Superfast Northamptonshire contract that was awarded to BT by the county council in November 2014. This will extend the availability of superfast broadband to an additional 20,450 homes and businesses by December 2017.

Around 90 per cent of households and businesses in Northamptonshire can now take up a fibre broadband service. Superfast Northamptonshire is a multi-million pound project, which has already involved the installation of more than 300 new green roadside fibre broadband cabinets and structures and the laying of more than 490 kilometres of underground cable.

The county council has secured £16.2 million of public funds committed through two contracts with BT, including contributions from Government, the county council and local partners. BT are

investing £6.9m. The high-speed network installed by BT's local network business, Openreach, is available on an open, wholesale basis to all internet service providers (ISPs), therefore offering Northamptonshire households and businesses the benefit of real choice from a highly competitive market.

The county council has ambitions to see the whole of Northamptonshire benefit and has already secured plans for 96 per cent of the county to be able to access superfast broadband by December 2017 (when combined with existing and planned commercial coverage).

Together, the first two stages of the project will see more than 73,850 premises benefit from access to superfast broadband by December 2017, involving a £16.2m public commitment and £6.9m from BT. Stage One has come in under budget and these savings will help to support the next stage of the project which is now being progressed by the county council following cabinet backing in October 2015.

All the above is great but until each of my villages has near 100% coverage I do not think we can say that the project has been 100% successful. I hope that the second phase of the work will resolve the many issues in the villages I represent. I will be keeping up the pressure on both the County and BT to deliver this.

Angel Street

Work on Northamptonshire County Council's new headquarters is progressing well as the £53million complex starts to take shape. The work is being carried out by contractor Galliford Try and it is expected that the building will be formally handed over to the county council after completion by the end of October 2016 with full occupation by December of that year.

The project will see county council staff moved out of 12 buildings in Northampton, including County Hall, into one purpose-built headquarters in the town centre.

Roads

The state of our roads continues to be of concern to us all and I know there are a number of issues within this village that need attention. There is not enough money for all the repairs that need to be carried out within the county and my division is no exception. The best way to get repairs done is to report and keep reporting any poor roads / pot holes to street doctor at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/en/councilservices/transport/roads/streetdoctor/pages/step1.aspx. The more a problem is reported the higher up the priority list it goes and the more likely that it will get repaired in time. I am also more than happy to arrange a site visit to the village to walk through the problems with Helen Howard who is the highways local liaison for the area and more often than not a solution can be found eventually even if there is no specific budget for repair.

As we speak I can tell you that £14 million of extra funding is being provided by the Government to NCC for road repairs and maintenance over the next two years. Each Councillor will be allocated 25k for a footway and 25k for a road although we can allocate the full 50k to a road if we need too. I am expecting that I will be able to pick an area / Road by the end of April / Early May. This money is likely to be keenly sought by lots of my villages so please do contact me ASAP if you have any thoughts on how this might be spent in your Village.

Councillors Empowerment fund

This has benefitted many of my villages over the years. The good news is that we still have a fund for this year. The bad news is that it has been cut to £5000.00 and that all of this has already been allocated to projects within my division. If you do have any projects in mind that I can help you with please get in early for next years allocation.

Police and Crime Commissioner Elections

You may be aware that the police and Crime commissioner Elections for Northamptonshire take place on the 5th of May. Adam Simmons has done a great job as our PCC for the last four years and is not standing again this year. I would urge you all to take time to consider all the candidates and get out and vote. This is a very important role within the community and could have a

profound effect. The conservative Candidate has now been selected. His name is Stephen Mold and I am sure you will hear more about him during the campaign.

6. Eydon Parish Council report:

Cllr K Simmons presented the report as follows-

I am Keith Simmons - Elected as Chairman of Eydon Parish Council in May 2015 at the Annual General meeting.

We had an election for Parish Council that resulted in 4 candidates out of the 7 required – myself, Richard Collins, Carol Henson and Ian Stewart were elected unopposed and then Neil Stewart, Wendy Coy and Richard Bracewell were all co-opted, subsequently Ian Stewart resigned and Jessie Lamb has agreed to be co-opted in his place. Richard Collins was elected as Vice Chair.

I would like to start by recording thanks to Ian for his service.

To construct my report I read through the issues of EVN since last years Assembly to remind myself of what has happened in the Village during the year as my report to the Assembly isn't strictly limited to the workings of the Parish Council. I pick out a few that caught my attention :-

Firstly - A couple of recurring themes appeared which had also featured in my last report:

Volunteers and helpers - it seems a lot of the Village groups are suffering from the same thing a lack of new members and are in danger of closing down a great pity in such a fine community as ours. Although Eydon Ladies I understand is now going from strength to strength so it is possible to gain new members and the energy that comes with it. Let us hope that the other organisations can do the same.

Dog Fouling

I am pained to have to comment upon the issue of dog fouling in my report, but it was a recurring theme again in EVN and has appeared again. The PC has purchased an extra bin to be sited in the high Street on the Hillview end and doubled the collection of waste routine which has helped with the problem of overflowing bins, the sports field also has a bin. I hope that owners take the responsibility and rid us of the problem.

I would ask those responsible to make sure they do the right thing when exercising your dogs and make sure also that pets do not escape to roam the streets it and make deposits it really is unpleasant and a health hazard.

Pot Holes

We now have a Highways Warden who is doing a great job of surveying the roads regularly and making sure the potholes are reported.

Budget seems to be the problem, but we can only report and record when they are filled. We intend to record how regularly the same ones need filling to enable a better solution to be found.

But on a positive note some great things took place in the village including:-

The Village Hall – the main windows have been replaced – a new roof fitted how good is that!

As a regular user I can tell you it makes a great deal of difference to the comfort of all concerned. I understand still more to do though.

When you read EVN you also realise what a great community we live in. Many clubs and associations running meetings and special events. Individuals raising money for charity by undertaking arduous tasks. I am sure we would all wish to thank them for being so selfless.

Cricket is being played on the sports field regularly – albeit not an Eydon team, a new piece of equipment was also installed on the field. The Eydon Olympics and the Fete were great successes – helped by the weather - fingers crossed for this year !.

The walkers continued walking – The 1st Wednesday kept doing whatever they do and many music evenings were held to raise money for the various organisations.

Yoga also takes place now I understand.

It all creates the impression of a thriving Village – But and there is always a but , you tend to see the same people at all the events – nice as that is it would be great to see some new ones – go and encourage others the Village needs it.

We also saw the departure of Bob and Pam Taylor and Mike and Nikki Watson to pastures new and as they were great joiners in – I am sure they have been missed.

Anyway turning to Strictly PC matters

2 Long running sagas:-

Butterfly lane/Burnt Mill

At Moors Farm Stuart Beattie has installed a new bridge which is suitable for foot traffic and the right of way has now been moved to this new route and work is being planned to upgrade this to Bridle Way standard by the appropriate Council, enhance the approaches to make them more suitable.

Slade Leys Farm Eydon Road

The Inspector has ruled the site as unsuitable – but not on the grounds that any of the Local groups wanted. Basically he ruled on access and also ruled that because of an occupation issue that Daventry Council had no knowledge of their enforcement action was also dismissed on technical grounds.

So 2 steps forward and one back it could be that by spending some considerable sums the inspector's views could be accommodated. Which would be cheaper than moving. Further applications have been made. We watch this space.

Whilst on Planning matters

19 Planning Applications were submitted in Eydon which sounds a lot but a number of these were multiple applications – conditions of site removal etc. and including tree felling or cutting back.

The majority were approved one being declined by South Northants is subject to appeal.

As reported we have had agreed the submission of Quarry Close as the name for the new development. The PC felt that this marked the historic use of the site.

The Sewage works have I understand been completed a site meeting has taken place to find resolution to parking and remedial works on the entry to Doctors Lane.

The PC has been working on a document called Village and Community Enhancement – which I will present later as we want to take a more pro active approach.

Precept

We increased the precept by 23% for the current year which increases actual income to £19217. The actual increase on bills was 21.3% - to around £77 or a £14 per year increase for a band C property.

We have planned a 3 year programme of street lighting replacement for statutory reasons and also have an eye to other capital projects, whilst also putting the reserve in to a more healthy position.

Cllr W Coy gave a brief introduction to the concept of developing a Neighbourhood Plan for Eydon, a matter to be discussed at a future Parish Council Meeting.

A summary of accounts for 2015/16 was available for viewing and comment.

7. Northamptonshire Police Report:-

Dear Eydon parish.

Unfortunately the Brackley Safer Community Team isn't in a position to send any staff member to attend the meeting in person. Therefore I am going to issue a standard report starting with the crime figures, as follows:

Eydon

Burglary other – 1

Theft/Handling – 2

Theft of motor vehicle - 1

With regards to crime in general, there has been an emerging issue relating to Theft of purses from persons using Supermarkets. Therefore we are asking member of the public to be vigilant when using such locations and to report any suspicious circumstances by dialling 101, the non-emergency telephone number.

Northants Police also supports local social networks such as 'Brackley Gossip Girls', 'Brackley Burglary Crime & Prevention', 'Northamptonshire Street Watch', 'Newbottle and Charlton Crime Prevention Group' and other village networks by providing information and advice for circulation. We recognise the value of these pages for keeping a two-way flow of information between the Police and the public and are very grateful to the administrators of each site who keep this going. The handbag thefts recently have proved the value of these sites.

The above sites have proved very popular and all communicate with each other to increase their effectiveness. Every village/community within the South Northants area would benefit from developing a similar Facebook site to continue to expand this network of information and make the area less attractive for criminals. It is acknowledged that there are a lot of people who do not use social media and persons who administer the existing sites provide information to their local Neighbourhood Watch schemes for distribution via email or other methods.

If you are interested in developing a similar site for your area please take a look at the above mentioned pages for examples of content and rules and for more information please contact:

Brackley Sector villages – Sergeant Michaela SIMONS via micki.simons@northants.pnn.police.uk

The Police website also contains pages for your local area and you will find further crime prevention and personal safety advice. The Northamptonshire Police website can be accessed via: <http://www.northants.police.uk/#!/SouthNorthantsBrackley>

Members of the public can also contact the Police in confidence, via 999 in an emergency, 101 for non-emergency.

If you have some concerns and want to arrange to speak directly to a local Brackley officer then contact us via our email address: SCT-SouthNorthantsBrackley@northants.police.uk

Follow us on Twitter: @BrackleySctSgt or visit the Northants Police website for updates, events and local team details: <http://www.northants.police.uk/#!/SouthNorthantsBrackley>

Kind Regards

PCSO Colin Brooks
Brackley Police Station

8. Reports from village organisations.

1. Eydon Cricket Club. (Mr McRoberts)

The Eydon Cricket Club, whilst still in existence, has not been able to muster players to field any regular matches during the past 12 months.

Despite this sad fact, Cricket was played on Eydon Sports Field on a regular basis during 2015, and plans have been made for matches to continue in 2016. Middleton Cheney 3rd team now use Eydon as their “home” ground, and 8 Saturday matches are arranged for this Season.

The involvement of Middleton Cheney is very welcome, and it means that the Field is maintained on a regular basis to support cricket matches.

However, nothing would delight Eydon Cricket Club more, if someone would come forward to once again to organise an Eydon Team so Sunday “friendly” matches may resume.

Is there anyone “out there” who can take on this pleasurable task?
Contact John Grindlay on (01327) 260303, or call in to Rectory Barn to discuss.....

2. 1st Wednesday Club. (Mr Forsyth)

The Assembly was advised that the membership was currently 45 and increasing. The general format of events, outings and social gatherings was outlined.

3. Royal British Legion. (Mr Watson)

It was reported that the Eydon District of the RBL had now folded due to dwindling numbers, those in Eydon had now joined up with the Byfield Branch. Mr Watson would be keen to hear from possible collection volunteers.

4. Eydon Educational Trust Fund.

The following report was made available:

EYDON EDUCATIONAL TRUST FUND

(Registered Charity No. 309866)

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR 2015 TO THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The aims of the Trust are to promote the education of young people under the age of 25 who, or whose parents, live in the parish of Eydon and who are in need of financial assistance. This can be put towards scholarships, bursaries or grants at any school, college, university or place of further education, or it may be to assist with the purchase of clothing, tools, or books or to undertake educational travel, or to prepare to enter any trade or profession upon leaving their place of education. The trustees will be pleased to give advice upon whether or not expenditure might be considered eligible within the terms of the trust and will deal confidentially with any enquiries or applications.

ASSETS AND INCOME

The original assets of the trust are non-disposable and are invested by the Official Custodian for Charities in the Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) which is managed by CCLA Investment Management Ltd. Both the value and income from that investment continue to hold up well. The disposable assets of the trust are wholly held in a National Savings Investment Account, which receives the quarterly interest from the investment with COIF.

The value of the income units in the CCLA investment fund remained high during 2015. The level of the fund in the NS&I account, including dividends from 2015 and a low demand on grants in 2014, enabled the Trustees to respond positively to all the applications received in 2015 while still maintaining a prudent level of 'cash' reserve to carry into a more uncertain market in 2016. Detailed copies of the accounts are available from the charity's treasurer.

ACHIEVEMENTS, GRANTS & PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trust is now in its 31st year and during that time has made 124 grants totalling 814,169 to assist young people from Eydon with their education and travel expenses. In 2015 there were six applicants for grants and the trustees were able to assist with grant totalling 81,059. Due to the number of grants awarded during the current financial year, the Trust would be happy to receive additional donations from the general public or the Parish Council and please do contact the Secretary or Treasurer for details.

INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY

The availability and criteria for grants were publicised during the year, both at the Annual Parish Assembly and in the Village Newsletter. In order that grants could be assessed and budgeted for in a fair manner, taking into account the Trust's limited resources, applications were invited and then considered late in 2015, with the grants being made just before Christmas. The Brochure is available in village institutions and posted on Notice Boards, and is also available from the Secretary.

CHAIRMAN

HON. SECRETARY

HON. TREASURER

Rev Stevie Cross
(Ex-officio Trustee)
Byfield Rectory

Carol Henson
(Parish Council Nominative Trustee)
2 Manitoba Way, Eydon.

Sue Lodge
(Co-optative Trustee)
18 High Street, Eydon.

April 2016.

5. Eydon Players. (Mr Tasker)

The Assembly was advised that Eydon Players was celebrating its Silver Jubilee year however, despite the great benefits gained from the group it is currently struggling to attract sufficient cast for productions to be staged. A request for Eydon Players and other village organisations to be better supported was also made.

9. Open discussion “How can we make Eydon even better?” – an invitation from the Parish Council for you all to contribute to the discussion on what could be improved or introduced to Eydon to make living and visiting here even more special.

Mr K Simmons, Chairman of Eydon Parish Council, introduced an Eydon Parish Council discussion document *Village and Community Enhancement* which the Parish Council aims to modify, consult with residents and begin to implement when appropriate. The matter shall be progressed during regular PC Meetings.

10. Any other business.

None raised.

11. Close of Assembly – 9.55pm