

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 25th July 2022 at 7.45pm

at Easton and Letheringham Village Hall

Reports from District, County Councillors and Question time for members of the public –Duration time maximum 10 minutes - 2 minutes per person.

Meeting opened at 7.45 pm

1 PRESENT & APOLOGIES

Present

Cllr S Piggott – Chair

Cllr F Siddall – Vice Chair

Cllr B Gibbon

Cllr G Edwards

Cllr M Birt

Cllr D Balcombe

Apologies

Alison Bramall - Clerk

Council members agreed to accept the apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

3 CONSIDERATION OF ANY DISPENSATION REQUESTS

None.

4 MATTERS TO REPORT FROM ACTIONS OF LAST MEETING

Clerk

End of year Accounts – after some discussion with SALC etc regarding last year's meetings a face to face meeting to ratify all financial decision was organised at short notice(but within legal timescales). The Clerk would like to thank the Deputy Chair and the Councillors who supported her to ratify all these decisions at short notice to pass internal audit.

Quiet Lanes – Easton is entered on the Wave 4 and following a consultation with SCC we should be entered in the scheme in the near future

Land Registry – Statements of fact have been drafted for the chair to return and sign. Applications are taking a year to be registered but atleast we will be in the queue of applications.

Park View planning –East Suffolk Council has sent notification that-

This application will be determined for approval, with the inclusion of a condition which requires the upper floor window on the north elevation to be obscure glazed and fixed shut.

Deben Water Quality project – parishes need to buy own test tubes and take samples into Woodbridge. The Clerk has sent an amazon link with prices of tubes.

Chair

The Chair ordered the wine and prosecco, plates, mugs, serviettes, table cloths etc for the hog roast beacon event and tea party. The Chair and Cllr Edwards checked the Beacon before the event. The chair baked 150 buns for the Beacon lighting on the green. The Chair met with the Hog Roast provider for a site visit to confirm setting up on the day. The Chair received delivery of the jubilee mugs. The Chair received confirmation from the invitation to Dr D Poulter MP to come to the event and light the beacon.

5 MINUTES OF MEETINGS: 16/5/22, 27/5/22, 27/6/22 & 1/7/22

Council members agreed the Minutes for 16th and 27th May, 27th June and 1st July 2022

6 FINANCE

6.1 To Approve Financial Statement

The Financial Statement was Agreed

6.2 To Adopt the Internal Audit yr end 2022

Cllrs considered the Internal Audit. Members noted that despite the Financial Regulations being tailored to Easton Parish Council, the use within the text of square brackets resulted in the auditor's comment that the document was not tailored to Easton Parish Council. Also noted the auditors comment that Easton Parish Council held no GDPR policy when Easton Parish Council does have a GDPR policy in place, it was adopted March 2019.

Councillors agreed to adopt the Internal Audit and to ask the Clerk to draw up an Action Plan to present with regard to the actions required arising from the audit.

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7 HIGHWAYS

Lorry Transport Routing Map-SCC

SCC Highways Lorry Transport route has now been adopted and printed on the SCC site. Easton Parish Council took part in the consultation, as feedback, it was emphasised that the road from Earl Soham A1120 to the A12 passing through our village should not be considered suitable to include.

The newly published SCC Highways Lorry Transport routing map does not include the road route from A1120 to the A12 passing through Easton.

Quiet Lanes

The Quiet lanes public consultation is now in progress it started on 18th July. A Quiet Lanes volunteer team member delivered the parish letters to households on the two proposed lanes and put up the notices at the end of the lanes, which SCC required to meet the consultation process. The Chair uploaded the information onto the website and notice board.

Speed Calming Works

SCC has notified Easton Parish Council and all addresses in the Parish that speed calming works will commence on August 1st. The notice and details of the rolling road closures are uploaded onto the Parish Council website, village noticeboard and in the Parish News. SCC Highways have confirmed that alongside the installation of the scheme that a team will be investigating the flooding issues and addressing any drain issues.

8 PLANNING – Planning Consultation

Councillors considered the proposed supplementary planning document for Housing in Clusters in the countryside. Councillors agreed to respond to the consultation by way of support for the document. It was considered important and beneficial that supporting documents were available to give greater detail to LP policies. **SP**

9 BEACON EVENT

Council Members reviewed the Queens Platinum Jubilee events, and agreed that they were very successful and well received. Those who attended the events conveyed much appreciation, and it was felt that they brought the community together in a very positive way. The Beacon lighting on the village green was considered a highlight by all that attended, including those from outside the village.

Cllr Edwards confirmed that the Beacon had been returned to the storage point within the Hunt Kennels.

The Chair read out the letter of thanks sent to her by Dr Dan Poulter MP. See attached.

Council Members wished to express huge thanks to all those in the village who, helped prior to and on the night of the Beacon event and the Tea Party the following day. **SP**

10 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- To consider a Parish Council Accounting package
- To assess the problems raised by the Bowls Club re Cemetery boundary trees and vegetation overgrowth
- Deben Water Quality project – to consider how to progress involvement
- To Review Grants Policy and provisions

DATES OF THE NEXT MEETING:-

- EPC Ordinary Meeting – Oct 3rd 2022 – 7.45pm

Meeting Closed - 8.20pm

Signed & Agreed

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Chair/Deputy Chair

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Date

DR DANIEL POULTER MP

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Monday 6th June 2022

Dear Sue

Thank you for your kind hospitality at The Queens Platinum Jubilee Light Beacon Event at Easton on Thursday 02 June 2022. I thoroughly enjoyed lighting the Beacon for Easton, thank you for the opportunity to be part of such a memorable event.

Please convey my thanks to everyone involved in hosting such a super event – the whole community had really come together to celebrate the occasion and I was delighted to be a part of it.

Do please let me know of any future events that you may like me to attend; please email Ange in my team, who will be happy to help co-ordinate my diary ange.stroud@parliament.uk

Once again, thank you for your hospitality and I look forward to visiting again soon.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Daniel Poulter MP
Member of Parliament for Central Suffolk and North Ipswich

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