

CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

**MEETING of the PARISH COUNCIL held on THURSDAY,
MARCH 14, 2019, at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.**

MINUTES

PRESENT

Cllr D Naidu (chairman)
Cllr D Sainsbury (vice-chairman)
Cllr A Keate
Cllr R Wilkins
Cllr L Saunders
Borough Cllr Mrs M Penny
11 residents
A Gorton (clerk)

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations were made at this time.

A resident (AB) raised a question about what constituted an 'interest' and when a declaration was necessary. The clerk and Cllr Penny responded.

3 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2018

The Minutes, previously circulated, were AGREED as a fair and accurate record, and signed by the Chairman and clerk.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The agendum relating to financial aid to the Village Hall Trustees was deferred to agendum 11

5 PLANNING MATTERS

5.1 Planning applications

Application S/HOU/18/1753 – Thameside – erection of single-storey extension – granted
7.1.2019

5.2 SHELAA

Cllr Sainsbury declared an interest and left the room.

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council's response to SHELAA had been submitted to SBC on 1.11.2018. It was SBC's intention that the Local Plan Review would take place in late Summer, when the Parish Council would be consulted.

RECESS

- 1 Cllr Sainsbury read from a circulated letter that the south-bound carriageway of the A419 would be closed overnight from 10-17 April, inclusive. Between the Cricklade junction and the Lady Lane junction.
- 2 A resident (BW) asked if there had been any developments in preventing lorries coming through the village. He was referred to the traffic survey to be considered later in this meeting.
- 3 A resident (DP) asked if the drains blocked by the work of Gigaclear could be cleaned: the clerk informed the meeting that this was in hand.

6 REVIEWS OF SETTLEMENT BOUNDARY AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACES

Cllr Sainsbury declared an interest and left the room.

The Chairman explained that Cllr Sainsbury's knowledge of the Settlement Boundary would be essential to any discussion by the Parish Councillors and it was AGREED that he should be invited to return to the room.

The Chairman reported that the documents relating to this agenda had been circulated to Councillors on 6.3.2019

After discussion, it was AGREED that SBC should be recommended to re-draw the Settlement Boundary to encompass

- i all the Paddocks development
- ii Ettone Barns
- iii Glebe Barn

There was discussion concerning whether Manor Farm should be included within the Settlement Boundary as it is adjacent to and in close proximity of the current Boundary and relates significantly to the economic and social function of the village.

IT was AGREED that SBC should be informed of this.

7 COMMUNITY GROUPS

Andrew Bottomley reported on the work of the Environment Group, viz

- 1 a traffic survey had been carried out and preliminary results analysed (VIDE Addendum 1)
- 2 the Group would next meet on March 27
- 3 information had been received about the CPRE 2019 Best Kept Village competition, and will be considered by the Group though entry may be deferred until 2020
- 4 a survey of trees and hedgerows will be considered to establish a base-line for the Parish Council's responsibilities
- 5 the Notice Board is in need of refurbishment, and the Group will undertake this task

Barry Wicks reported the CBF Group's advice on an application from Village Hall Trustees for TV and associated audio equipment (VIDE addendum 2)

As Trustees of the Village Hall charity, the Chairman and Cllr Wilkins declared an interest and left the room. Cllr Sainsbury took the chair.

Cllr Sainsbury reviewed the comments received from Councillors, both positive and negative.

Following discussion, it was AGREED unanimously that the application be approved and the sum of £2,522 + VAT be allocated from the Community benefit Fund.

8 ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE

The Chairman referred to the decision of the Parish Council to consider registering an ACV on the Red Lion, the work which had been undertaken by Cllrs Keate and Wilkins, and gave details of a meeting arranged by Cllr Sainsbury with one of the owners, James Arkell,

Cllr Sainsbury spoke against the proposal to register this ACV and against the concept of ACVs generally. Following discussion, the Chairman proposed that the ACV should be registered. This was seconded by

Cllr Keate.

After further discussion it was AGREED, with 4 votes in favour of the proposal and 1 vote against, that the Parish Council should proceed with the application to register an ACV on the Red Lion with the understanding that should the owners request that the ACV be lifted, to allow improvements to the premises, the Parish Council would not unreasonably reject their request.

9 DOG FOULING

The Chairman reported that several residents had experienced incidents of dog fouling around the village. Residents in attendance gave further examples. Councillors were of the opinion that this was on the increase.

Various methods of dealing it were considered but it was thought that raising awareness was the better way.

Cllr Penny suggested that if the people responsible were known, a letter could be sent to them asking for co-operation; the Parish Council could provide dog waste bags as an encouragement; if the examples were caught on CCTV this could be sent to SBC who would take necessary action.

10 ROAD JUNCTION – A419-C114

The Chairman gave details of a meeting at RAF Fairford attended by himself, Cllr Keate and Cllr Wilkins, which had been reported a planned increase of USAF personnel, many of whom would be settled in rented accommodation. This could lead to an increase in traffic flow through the village and along the C114. The problem would be exacerbated by the opening of the new service area on the A419. In all, it is expected that the dangers inherent at the A419-C114 junction would be increased.

It was AGREED that the Parish Council should write to USAF pointing out the problem and seeking assistance in solving it.

Cllr Penny agreed to make further enquiries.

11 FINANCE

11.1 Village Hall – level of financial support

The Chairman reported that accounts and a rationale for continued financial support had been circulated to Councillors.

As Trustees of the Village Hall charity, the Chairman and Cllr Wilkins left the room. Cllr Sainsbury took the chair.

Cllr Sainsbury described the history of the financial support given to the Trustees and reasons for it, and suggested it should be increased from 2020-2021.

Following discussion, it was AGREED to ask Trustees to provide a schedule of repairs necessary within the next 5 years which the Parish Council would consider in relation to the amount of grant aid provided.

11.3 Parish Allowances

It was AGREED unanimously that Parish Allowances should not be received during 2019-2020

11.3 Bank Balances and payments

(Vide Addendum 3)

Details of the bank balances and payments due were circulated.

It was proposed by Cllr Sainsbury and seconded by the Chairman that this be received and payments made.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Dates for the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council AGM would be circulated when agreed.

Immediately following the closure of the Meeting, the Chairman held an OPEN FORUM to enable residents to raise any matter concerning the parish.

No further matters were raised

Signed (chairman)

..... (clerk)

..... (date)