



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council
7th September 2021

Present

Cllr D Naidu (Chairman)

Cllr A Keate

Cllr L Saunders

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

2 villagers

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr D Sainsbury (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr R Wilkins

Cllr V Manro

2. Declarations of Interest

None Declared

3. Minutes of previous Meeting - 21st July 2021

Minutes agreed and signed by Chairman, passed to Clerk

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting 21st July 2021

a. Water Leak by Manor Farm – This has now been repaired by Thames Water.

b. Response received from SSEN regarding the increased electricity outages: -

“I have checked over some of the faults that have been happening in the area recently and can find a number of them.

Some of the faults have been caused by trees coming down on part of the network for 2 of the faults. These have now been cut back and cleared from the network.

Other outages have been caused by what we call a transient fault. This is where we have had an outage but when we attend we cannot find what exactly has caused the issue.

I understand that it is quite distressing for residents to be without power for a period of time, but please rest assured, we endeavour to have our engineers out to faults as soon as possible to locate and repair it.”

5. Planning Matters

S/LBC/21/1323

Re: Various internal works, demolition of garden room, works to courtyard, replacement of window to north side elevation, and installation of new gutters.

At: Castle Eaton Farm, Mill Lane Castle Eaton Swindon SN6 6JX

S/HOU/21/1322

Re: Erection of a pitched roof to existing front porch, enlargement of existing door opening to southeast elevation and installation of bi fold door to northwest elevation.

At: Castle Eaton Farm, Mill Lane Castle Eaton Swindon SN6 6JX

The Councilors have no objections to the above applications

It was highlighted by Cllr DN that Fisher German have withdrawn their objection to the Anaerobic Digester plant.

6. Items for Discussion

a. Best Kept Village Competition

The Environmental Group received the PC's thanks for all their hard work leading to this award.

b. Concerns of the junction between School Lane and The Street

The junction between School Lane and the Street has been raised by a parishioner as a possible dangerous junction. There were a number of options discussed: -

- a. Three-Way Stop on each access - This may be too complex for a small junction and issues with right of way
- b. Change priority to School Lane giving way to The Street and C114 - This may cause other issues such as causing HGVs to have to stop/start when travelling to and from School Lane, thus increasing noise pollution to those who live close to the junction. There may also be an increase in speed of traffic going around the corner from the C114 into The Street.
- c. Mini Roundabout- circle or central cobbles – Again issues with HGV's and commercial vehicles noise over the cobbles and right of way
- d. Raised tarmac of about 3 to 4 inches to encourage speed reduction – Noise from commercial vehicles

- e. Mirror across the road from The Street – This would have no impact on the speed of traffic going around the corner from the C114 into The Street. A location needs to be found that is appropriate. There may be funding available from the CBF.

It was concluded that this is a complex issue with possible ramifications for other residents other than those immediately next to the junction. It was therefore considered prudent to gauge the opinion of the villagers and as such it will be put in the next Parish Newsletter.

RECESS - Residents may raise any matter related to the work of the Parish Council.

Villager CW suggested that it would be a good time for the AD group to reconvene after discussions with another village group POKE and the news that Fisher German have withdrawn their objection.

Villager DS informed the council that the BKVA sign will be erected on 8th ready for unveiling on the 26th.

7. Finance

a. Budget 2022/2023

It was agreed that there should be an entry into the budget for the upkeep of the play park, this would be an annual sum of £500. There is no annual increase from The VHC due to support received from central government.

- b. A payment of £400 from the Parish Council for Best Kept Village awards event, was unanimously agreed.

c. Bank Statements

Treasurer Account					
Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening Balance 15/7/21					8,356.50
19/07/2021	DD	Quickbooks July 2021	20.40		8,336.10
21/07/2021	TFR	PARISH COUNCIL OF 301335 71707268	600.00		8,671.12
21/07/2021	BGC	HMRC VTR XVV126000104296		935.02	9,271.12
28/07/2021	SO	T M WHYBORN	621.23		8,049.89
18/08/2021	DD	Quickbooks Aug 2021	20.40		8,029.49
31/08/2021	SO	T M WHYBORN	621.23		7,408.26
Closing Balance 31/08/21					7,408.26
CBF					
Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening Balance 15/7/21					35,965.73
21/07/2021	TFR	PARISH COUNCIL OF 301335 01529286		600.00	36,565.73
09/08/2021		INTEREST (GROSS)		0.31	36,566.04
Closing Balance 31/08/21					36,566.04

8. AOB

Cllr DN informed the meeting that he would not be standing for re-election as a Parish Councillor at next year's elections.

9. Date of next Meeting

TBC

Meeting was adjourned at 7.50pm by Dinesh Naidu – Chairman

Minutes submitted by: Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by: Dinesh Naidu - Chairman