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# CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council

# 22nd February 2022

**Present**

Cllr D Naidu (Chairman)

Cllr A Keate

Cllr L Saunders

Cllr R Wilkins

Cllr S Weisenger

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

Six villagers

1. **Apologies for absence**

Cllr D Sainsbury (Vice-Chairman)

1. **Declarations of Interest**

None Declared

1. **Minutes of previous Meeting – 22nd December 2021**

Minutes agreed by all and signed by Chairman, passed to Clerk

1. **Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting 22nd November 2021**

Survey regarding junction of School Lane and The Street –

Cllr Wilkins has produced a Survey for the residents of Castle Eaton to complete regarding the issues raised with the junction of The Street and School Lane.

This will be distributed across the village via leaflet, and it will be available online. Completion of the survey can be made online and on the paper copy which can be dropped off at boxes at the Village Hall and outside Cllr Wilkins house.

The leaflets will be distributed on the 23rd /24th February with a closing date on the 4th March, the results will be reported back mid-March.

The draft was agreed by all the Councillors using the 2nd line on the table of the 2nd page.

1. **Items For Discussion**
   1. Election

The election will take place on the 5th May 2022, residents are encouraged to apply, further information will be available shortly on all available media.

* 1. Village Fete and Jubilee

The Jubilee will be a street party and permission has been given to close a section of The Street, further information will be available on the VCC website.

So as not to clash with the Jubilee, the Village Fete will be held on the 30th July and the Barn Dance on the 2nd July.

1. **Planning Matters**

S/21/1999 - Erection of two storey rear, second floor front, single storey front and side extensions to farmhouse, change of use of estate office and stables to ancillary residential and staff accommodation, landscaping and associated works. At: Lushill Farm House, Lushill Lane Hannington Swindon SN6 7TA

No concerns raised by the Councillors.

The AD plant is still outstanding, Cllr Naidu has contacted Kimberley Corps (Head of Planning) regarding concerns of the extensive activity that appears to be happening at the plant.

Cllr Weisenger has contacted Tom Buxton (Planning Officer) as no contact from the planning office has been received since November.

1. **CBF Update, Funding Application – Jubilee Street Party**

Resident Sheila Theobald has applied for funding for the village Jubilee party which is anticipated to take place on the 4th June.

The Community Benefit fund will be used, as the event will be designed for all the village to attend.

Funding requested is up to £5k from The Community Benefit Fund. This will be drawn down in one transaction with all details behind the cost detailed.

The amount of a maximum of £5k was agreed by the Council.

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

Resident DSaunders raised concerns regarding the impact if not enough residents apply to be Councilors in the next election.

Resident CW requested further information on the responsibilities of being a Councillor.

Cllr D Naidu provided a brief explanation and suggested that any person interested should contact a Councillor for further information.

A suggestion that more information should be disseminated to the residents regarding the implications of not enough people applying to be on the council.

If not enough people apply Cllr Weisenger confirmed that the overall decision making on any issues raised would rest with Swindon Borough Council.

The Community Benefit Fund will be ringfenced for Castle Eaton but administered by Swindon Borough Council.

It was concluded Cllr R Wilkins will provide a newsletter to send around the village, highlighting the issues above.

1. **Finance**
   1. **Approve payments**

No payments to approve.

* 1. **Bank Reconciliation**



Agreed by all Councillors

1. **AOB**

Cllr D Naidu, the Parish Council have been invited to RAF Fairford 1830 17th March for an update on the progress their expansion.

Cllr R Wilkins will attend on behalf of the Parish Council. Feedback would be required straight afterwards to the Parish Council.

Cllr D Naidu thanked the Councillors for all their help over the last 4 years, by working well together enabling the smooth running of the Council.

1. **Date of next Meeting**

23rd May 2022

Meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm by Dinesh Naidu – Chairman

| Minutes submitted by: | Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk |
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| Approved by: | Dinesh Naidu - Chairman |