



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council

17th July 2023 @7pm Village Hall

Present

Cllr C Williams - Chair

Cllr S Cooper Caine – Vice Chair

Cllr P Hall

Cllr L McVey

Cllr M Patrick

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

2 residents

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr S Weisenger

2. Declarations of Interest

None Declared

3. Minutes of previous Meeting – 22nd May 2023

Minutes agreed and signed by Chairman, passed to Clerk.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting - 22nd May 2023

None

5. Items for discussion

a. AD Plant

Highways England are assessing the impact of the AD plant on the current and future road infrastructure, this is due to be completed around 15th September, with their decision/proposal.

Due to the "A417 Missing Link" development between Gloucester and Swindon, there is a potential of a substantial increase in traffic on the A419.

A meeting of the Parish Council prior to the end date is advisable to discuss next steps.

b. Traffic Survey

Cllr P Hall was unable to arrange a meeting between Jon Harris from Swindon Borough Council and Mark Stone (Landlord of The Red Lion) to discuss options to stop any potential problems with parking that may occur at the RIAT weekend.

The Red Lion were proactive in assisting with the management of parking around the village by producing signage requesting people to be aware that is a village and should park appropriately.

Cllr C Williams raised an incident to Wiltshire Police regarding speeding through the village. Initially this was regarding the frustration of drivers over the impassible roadworks on the bridge which caused the drivers distress and led to many speeding away.

The report has been logged by Wiltshire Police.

The report is relevant for day-to-day purposes and Cllr C Williams spoke to our PCSO requesting a visible police presence with a possibility of Speed guns.

The idea of Rumble strips on the approaches to the village was discussed. One resident thought these will cause too much noise to be a viable option for speed control.

Other villages have residents with speed guns which could be an option as a deterrent of speeding through village.

Cllr S Cooper-Caine noted that the promised report from Jon Harris is still outstanding.



6. Planning Matters

S/23/0743 Erection of a stable block with storage. At: 3 Ettone Barns, Castle Eaton Swindon SN6 6JJ

Concerns have been raised regarding the impact on the local area of the development of the above application.

Cllr C Williams and Cllr S Cooper-Caine will visit the property on Wednesday 19th July 10am and assess the impact from the perspective of the Parish Council.

Questions were raised regarding the need for two parking spaces, the equipment to be stored and the impact of the proposed development on the Conservation Area which lies to the immediate west of the site boundary.

Cllr L McVey noted that an objection has been logged by 6 Mill Lane.

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

With regards to the planning application, resident T Archard questioned whether the integrity of the building work would enhance the current area, whether there has been consideration to the size of the development and whether parking would be needed for the stable block.

Resident T Archard said that currently the AD plant is running, Cllr C Williams was concerned with the smell, resident T Archard confirmed that the smell is Silage.



8. Finance

a. Payment from CBF for Playground Improvements

A final amount of £12,413.50 exc. VAT from the CBF was unanimously agreed and signed by three Councillors.

The total cost of the repairs will be met by contributions as follows;

CBF - £12,413.50

VCC - £ 4,000.00

VAT - £ 3,282.70 (to be reclaimed)

Total - £19,696.20

	estimate Feb '23	response June '23	estimate jul '23	increase	increase
	£	£	£	£	
gross	18475.40	18475.40	19696.20	1220.80	7%
VAT reclaim	3095.90		3282.70	186.80	6%
funds reqd	15479.50		16413.50	934.00	6%
vcc contribn	4000.00	4000.00	4000.00	0.00	0%
CBF request	11479.50	14475.40	12413.50	934.00	8%
		incorrect			

b. Approve non-standard payments.

No nonstandard payments

c. Bank Statements

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Am	Balance
Open Balance				15,861.22
18/05/2023	Village URN	84.99		15,753.43
18/05/2023	QuickBooks	22.80		15,838.42
30/05/2023	T M WHYBORN	692.81		15,060.62
05/06/2023	VILLAGE HALL GRANT 1st Payment	2,286.50		12,524.12
05/06/2023	VILLAGE HALL POST OFFICE	250.00		14,810.62
09/06/2023	INT (GROSS) T/FER FROM 133502700108		0.32	12,524.44
19/06/2023	Quickbooks	22.80		12,501.64
28/06/2023	T M WHYBORN	692.81		11,808.83
		4,052.71	0.32	

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Am	Balance
Open Balance				29,969.98
09/06/2023	INTEREST (GROSS)		19.09	29,989.07

Approved by all Councillors.



9. AOB

Resident D Price has resigned as Chair of the Village Hall Committee as of 31 July 2023. The Council extends its thanks to David for his stewardship of this important village amenity. Notification has been sent around the village, however nobody has come forward to take on the role.

10. Date of next Meeting

4th September 2023

Meeting was adjourned at 7.40pm by Cllr Colin Williams – Chairman

Minutes submitted by: Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by: Cllr Colin Williams - Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Williams', is written over the 'Approved by:' line.