



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council

4th September 2023

Present

Cllr C Williams - Chairman

Cllr S Cooper Caine – Vice Chairman

Cllr P Hall

Cllr L McVey

Cllr M Patrick

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

2 villagers

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of previous Meeting 17th July 2023

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

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting 17th July 2023

Planning Application for Ettone Barns – This was investigated by Chair C Williams and Vice Chair S Cooper Caine, no issues were found that would cause the Parish Council to have any objections and therefore it was approved on behalf of the Parish Council on Swindon Borough Council Planning site.

Playground - The Equipment in the playground has been replaced and the surface will be replaced on the 6th September, there may be an uplift to remove two tubs of unknown substance.

There is a Village Hall meeting on Thursday 7th September, hopefully to appoint a new Chair and new Treasurer, for the Village Hall Committee.

5. Items for discussion

a. AD Plant

The AD plant current application is in hiatus, waiting for input from Highways England. This is due by the 15th September.

The last inputs from Consultees are still yet to be answered by the applicant.

On the 27th June 2023 Landscaping and Ecology requested further details as the applicants report, dated 22nd December 2020, only covers the first five years, Landscape and Ecology need to see a full life landscaping report.

On the 15th November 2022 and 13th April 2023 Ecology raised concerns that due to the crops being Maize this creates a high risk of flooding.

On the 22nd January 2021, the applicant put forward a Drainage impact Assessment, in response to the assessment on the 11th February 2021, the Planning department requested more information. On the 20th April 2021 the Planning department requested a Surface water drainage scheme and maintenance plan. On 2nd December 2021 and the 12th April 2023 the planning department requested the information again.

b. Traffic Survey

There has been no update since the last meeting. Cllr P Hall has sent another letter to John Harris but has received no response.

Cllr P Hall and Chair C Williams will get together to draft a letter to our MP Justin Tomlinson to try to get some traction on the issue.

Cllr L McVey remembered from a previous meeting that if 10 residents were to highlight the issue to Swindon Borough Council this means that Swindon Borough Council need to investigate the matter.



c. Electric Scooter usage around Castle Eaton

Concerns have been raised regarding the use of Electric Scooters around the village.

A letter was sent to PCSO Vicky Townsend, this was copied to Chair C Williams for discussion within the meeting.

In response to the letter from the concerned resident the PCSO delivered leaflets around the village with the rules regarding Electric Scooters. This hasn't had any effect on the usage.

The Parish Council have no powers to intervene. Any concerns regarding the use of Electric Scooters on public roads should be raised to the Police for investigation.

d. CBF Application

As part of his new role as the Church Warden resident B Wicks would like the Church to work more closely with the village, thus creating more harmony.

Resident B Wicks is looking into building a shed within the Church grounds to house the Church mowers, which are currently held on the farm owned by D Sainsbury. The shed could also house other items such as tables and chairs that are utilized by the village.

B Wicks has received permission from the Arch Deacon at Cheltenham to build a shed.

This is to be funded and owned by the Church.

It will not be a permanent structure and be hidden from view. B Wicks would like to create a sub-Committee to oversee the project. A meeting is to be held between Chair C Williams, resident R Green, and another representative from the Parish Council to drive the project.

6. Planning Matters

- a. S/HOU/23/0815 -Erection of a detached summerhouse. At: Stonestrow, 5 The Street Castle Eaton Swindon SN6 6JZ

No issues raised, unanimously approved.

- b. S/HOU/23/0809 -Erection of new stone entrance piers, automated metal gates, new hedges aligned for sightlines and driveway surfaces. At: Lushill Farmhouse, Lushill Farm Lushill Lane

No issues raised, unanimously approved.

- c. S/HOU/23/0895 -Change existing windows to upvc grey windows/doors and new garage door. At: Whitemead House, School Lane Castle Eaton Swindon SN6 6JX

No issues raised, unanimously approved.



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

Nothing raised.

7. Finance

a. Approve ad hoc payments.

The only non-standard payment will be for the playground refurbishment, this was previously approved, the invoice will be required from resident R Green and the transfer of £4k from the VCC. There may be a slight uplift for disposal of potentially hazardous material from previous playground.

b. Bank statements

Treasurer Account

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Open Balance				11,808.83
10/07/2023	Interest		0.34	11,809.17
18/07/2023	QuickBooks July	22.80		11,786.37
28/07/2023	T M WHYBORN	692.81		11,093.56
09/08/2023	Interest		0.37	11,093.93
18/08/2023	Quickbooks August	22.80		11,071.13
29/08/2023	T M WHYBORN	692.81		10,378.32
		1,431.22	0.71	

CBF Account

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Open Balance				29,989.07
10/07/2023	INTEREST (GROSS)		20.38	30,009.45
09/08/2023	INTEREST (GROSS)		22.20	30,031.65
		-	42.58	

Approved by all.

8. AOB

On Friday 22nd September 2023 RAF Fairford is holding a civic reception, Chair C Williams will attend as no other Councillors are available.

9. Date of next Meeting

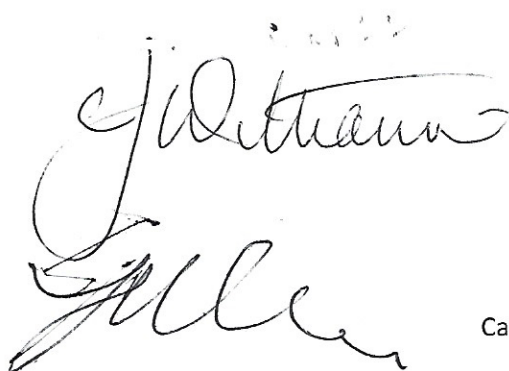
23rd October 2023, 7pm Village Hall



Meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm by Cllr Colin Williams – Chairman

Minutes submitted by: Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by: Cllr Colin Williams - Chairman

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The top signature is 'Colin Williams' and the bottom signature is 'Teresa Whyborn'.