



## Minutes of the of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025 7.15 pm Eaton Village Hall

**Present:** Cllrs John Nelson (Chair), Simon Tong, Stuart Bridge, Laura Harrison & Andrew Robertson

Borough Councillor Alan Hewson

Clerk: Terry Brown

Members of the Public: eight members

### **25/3107 Public Time**

- /1** The meeting received comments from a parishioner about his continuing concerns over the planning application 24/01094/FUL Cranyke Farm Eastwell Road Scalford, an apparent lack of action from Melton Borough Council Planning to his concerns and what he held to be an inconsistency in the Parish Council's comments as a Statutory Consultee to similar applications in the past.

The Chair recorded the Parish Council's continued interest in the application and on receipt of details from the parishioner, then the Clerk will write to Melton BC Enforcement confirming the Parish Council's continuing interest.  
action Clerk

- /2** Amanda Conn ( Eaton Village Hall Secretary) outlined the steps taken so far to produce the 100th Village Show in Eaton, which would include Eastwell and Goadby Marwood, with plans to make this year a special occasion by bringing together the Hall, the Park and the Church to celebrate this with The Eaton Big Weekend.

There will be an open meeting in the village hall on Thursday 23rd January at 7.00 for all villagers to come together to hear our Outline Plans and provide input. Parish Councillors will attend.

- /3** The meeting received information caused by damage by the school bus being asked to pull over by the driver of a vehicle wanting to come down Main Street Eaton.

The footpath sign is damaged and needs repair and the mirror which is owned by numbers 23 and 25 Main Street is cracked and may need replacing. In addition the railings are now quite bent and may also need replacing.

The Clerk advised that the Parish Council should not be liable for any damage to the mirror and that other reported items were the responsibility of Melton BC.

### **25/3108 Apologies for absence** Parish Cllr Mark Greasley

- 25/3109 To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations**  
None
- 25/3110 Borough and County Councillor Time**  
No reports
- 25/3111 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024**  
These were accepted by the meeting and signed by the Chair.
- 25/3112 To consider matters arising**

- /1 to consider progress with Goadby Marwood action re Priory Agriculture's approach to bridleways on the periphery of the Goadby Marwood towards Eastwell (Cllr Greasley)**  
The Clerk reported receipt of a further communication from Ellen Senior (Access Officer Leics CC) stating that the consultation period would run until 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025.
- /2 to report progress on a replacement of streetlight on Elm Lane, Eaton**  
Following a site meeting it was agreed that Cllr Bridge would provide the Clerk with a definitive location for the new light. action Cllr Bridge.  
  
The Clerk would obtain estimates of cost and then write to all adjacent properties informing them of the intended installation. Following that the Parish Council would confirm their intention to install the new light.

- 25/3113 To receive the Clerk's report**
- /1 to update the Council on a concern of the Scalford Road, Eastwell crossroads**  
The meeting noted the results of the response to the Clerk's FOI request to Leicestershire CC for all data on accidents at this point.  
  
The data shows two serious accidents in an 8 yr period.

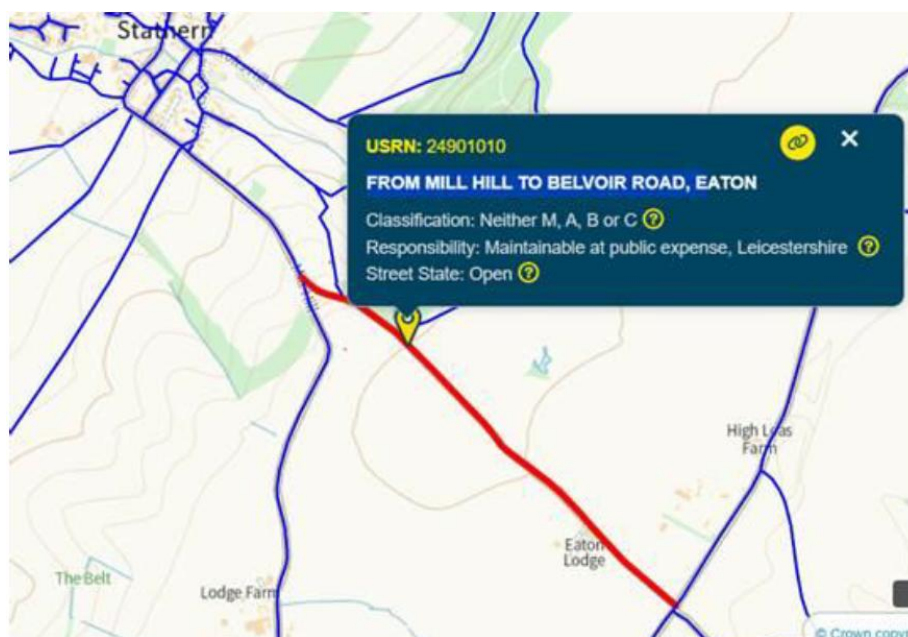
Table 3 - All Accidents by Severity	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Fatal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Serious	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Slight	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3

The meeting recorded their continuing disappointment that Leicestershire CC proposed to take no further action.

- 25/3114 Correspondence**  
Emails:  
  
19/12/24 Geoff Hulland re Neighbourhood Plans  
19/12/24 Ellen Senior re agenda item 6/1  
27/12/24 Derek Janes re Community Resilience  
31/12/24 Amanda Conn re EATON BIG WEEKEND MEETING

- 25/3115 Planning:**  
None

- 25/3116 Eaton**
- /1 to report progress on Shipman Lane, Eaton signage (Cllr Bridge)**  
Cllr Bridge confirmed that all the steps were now in place for the signage to be installed by Melton BC in their 2025 program



**/2 to report on Dog training field Planning Application Number: 24/00758/FUL (Cllr Tong)**

Cllr Tong reported on a Croxton Kerrial Parish Council meeting he attended on the 6<sup>th</sup> January at which this planning application was discussed and that that Croxton Kerrial PC will continue with their objections to the application.

In addition:

**/3** Cllr Tong is to obtain quotes for the clearance of the Paynter Memorial area at Eaton Cemetery action Cllr Tong

**/4** Cllrs Bridge and Tong reported some recent developments to curb the rabbit problem at the Allotments on Vicarage Lane.

**25/3117 Eastwell**  
No report

**25/3118 Goadby Marwood**  
No report

**In addition: all Villages:**

Cllr Bridge reported on the condition of the notice boards at all three locations and he will obtain quotes for suitable maintenance of these and the Eaton Cemetery board. action Cllr Bridge

**25/3119 To consider matters for discussion and resolution**

**/1 to consider an Eaton Neighbourhood Plan**

Further information on such a Plan will be considered at the next meeting.

**/2 to consider the 2025 audit arrangements**

Having reviewed existing arrangements and possible alternatives the Council agreed to re-appoint the existing Internal Auditor for the 2025 Internal Audit.

**25/3120****Finance**

/1 The following December 2024 payments were approved

SSE	69	02/12/2024	124.06
T Brown 3rd qtr expenses	70	13/12/2024	269.34
Eaton VH inv 56	71	13/12/2024	30.00
Eon inv 126876	72	13/12/2024	84.00
T Brown Dec 24 salary	73	20/12/2024	428.60
Bank Charges		21/12/2024	5.00
SLCC order 509913	74	29/12/2024	34.40
SSE	75	31/12/2024	120.05
Eastwell VH inv 24031	76	02/01/2025	24.00

/2 Bank accounts at 2.1.2025 were reconciled to

**Bank Reconciliation 2/1/25**

HSBC Current	2046.18
HSBC Deposit	15632.88
	17679.06

Herbage Savings account	833.40
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**25/3121****To receive items for the next meeting.****25/3122**Date of next meeting: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7.15 pm Eastwell Village Hall

The meeting closed at 20.45 pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman - Eaton Parish Council