



Draft Minutes of the of the Parish Council Meeting  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
7.15 pm Eastwell Village Hall

**Present:** Cllrs John Nelson (Chair), Simon Tong, Stuart Bridge, Laura Harrison & Mark Greasley  
Borough Councillor Alan Hewson, County Cllr Bryan Lovegrove  
Clerk: Terry Brown

Members of the Public: 12 members

**25/3123 Public Time**

- /1** Sue Bradley gave an update on the work 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.

Councillors confirmed their intention to support the event with a contribution of £100 towards the costs of the event. action Clerk

- /2 To receive advice from Geoff Hulland(Chair Waltham on the Wolds Parish Council) re Neighbourhood Plans**  
Geoff Huland and Martin Lusty gave a detailed review of their experiences in preparing the Neighbourhood Plan for Waltham.

Points raised were:

To see the process as a long run commitment. The Waltham Plan took 3.5 years to complete

To setup a group of more than just Councillors

The Waltham Plan had a main objective as an attempt to cap new housing in the Village to an acceptable level (120 houses rather than a perceived 400) and to a level that was justified by existing infrastructure.

Use Consultants from the beginning of the exercise

Do not underestimate the workload

Attempt to understand the need of all the parishioners.

- /3** A parishioners reported persistent problems in Eastwell with owners repeatedly not clearing up after their dogs.

The Clerk updated the meeting on actions that could be taken by Melton BC and the use of Public Space Protection Orders. The meeting noted the Clerk's comments about the correct use of signage.

- 25/3124 Apologies for absence**  
Parish Cllr Andrew Robertson  
Derek Janes
- 25/3125 To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations**  
None
- 25/3126 Borough and County Councillor Time**  
Cllr Hewson reported his intended resignation.  
  
Cllr Lovegrove reported on the recent response by Leic CC to the Government' local government reorganisation plans
- 25/3127 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025**  
These were accepted by the meeting and signed by the Chair.
- 25/3128 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) :
- "We have completed the preliminary consultations and that did throw up two likely objections to the addition of a restricted byway. The first from the landowner as you might have expected. I think they are particularly concerned on two grounds, one the possibility of vehicular access and secondly the possibility of ending up with two routes across the field, the claimed route of the old track and the existing bridleway F27a. The second likely objection is from the Trail Riders Fellowship who put forward a case for the route being a byway open to all traffic rather than a restricted byway.*
- The County Council must now consider how to take this forward. I would like to tie what happens to Bridleway F27a into the outcome of the Modification Order process as I believe the historical evidence does show us that there is only one route in that direction. I will take advice on this and let you know in advance of our recommendation."*
- The Parish Council will respond:
- 1) We do not want the ROW a Byway open to all traffic. When the track was in place only horse riders, cyclists and walkers used it with the only vehicles being farm traffic. So there is no case for the Trail riders to request it to be a Byway. This would answer the landowners concerns about vehicles crossing the field.
- 2) As the route of F27a, as shown on the definitive map, had not been used and no one knew of its existence, there is no objection to that route being closed in favour of the direct route everyone did use. This in fact would reverse the "temporary" re routing of the direct path during ironstone working in the field in the 1950s/60s. action Clerk
- /2 to report progress on a replacement of streetlight on Elm Lane, Eaton**  
Following a report from the Clerk it was agreed that no further action would be taken.
- 25/3129 To receive the Clerk's report**
- /1 to review recent actions re rabbit problem on the allotments**  
Cllr Bridge reported of recent work to alleviate the nuisance. Work is ongoing.
- /2 to review recent actions re dog bins**  
See 25/3135/2

**/3 to review recent actions re street signs**  
Cllr Bridge reported of recent work. Work is ongoing.

**/4 to review progress on Road sign down at Eastwell**  
The work has been completed

**25/3130 Correspondence**

Emails:

28/1/2025 Julie Halpin re Dog fouling on Hall Lane, Eastwell  
19/2/2025 Derek Janes re Eaton Community Park AGM May 13th 7.30 Eaton  
Village Hall  
20/2/2025 Sue Bradley re Eaton Big Weekend  
27/2/2025 Edd de Coverly re Local govt reorganisation  
27/2/2025 Leics CC re Structure Licences

**25/3131 Planning:**

**/1 25/00124/FULHH-8 Stathern Road Eastwell  
Demolition of existing conservatory and replace with rear/ side  
extension.  
Addition of detached double garage and carport to front of the  
property.  
(Adaptation of existing planning approval 21/00123/FULHH).**  
No comment

**/2 25/00103/FULHH Beech House 31 Main Street Goadby Marwood  
Proposed single-storey orangery-style rear extension.**  
No comment

**25/3132 Eaton**

**/1** Following a report from Cllr Bridge Councillors agreed to set a budget of £250  
to planting a hedge by the side of the field with the redundant caravan at the  
east side of 37 Main Street Eaton. action Cllr Bridge

**25/3133 Eastwell**

No report

**25/3134 Goadby Marwood**

See 25/3128/1

**25/3135 To consider matters for discussion and resolution**

**/1 to consider an Eaton Neighbourhood Plan**  
Following the presentation in Public Time it was agreed to consider the item  
further and to invite Gary Kirk of YourLocale to the next meeting. action Clerk

**/2 to consider Parish Council actions on dog nuisance problems**  
Following extensive discussion in Public Time it was proposed to place an  
extra bin and signage at a location in Eastwell.

**/3 to agree actions re a quote for Cemetery work**  
Following a report from Cllr Bridge councillors accepted a quote of £300 to  
remove to dead trees from the Cemetery. action Cllr Bridge

**/4 to agree actions re noticeboards**  
Following a report from Cllr Bridge on the current state of all Parish  
noticeboards the Parish Council accepted an offer from a parishioner to make  
a board at cost for Eastwell with the possibility of a repeat for the other  
boards.

The Clerk is to organise a design approved by Councillors to then receive a quote for the manufacture of the first board at the next meeting. action Clerk

**25/3136 Finance**

/1 The following January and February 2025 payments were approved

T Brown re printer drum	77	08/01/2025	43.90
Foxwise accounting inv 134823	78	08/01/2025	54.00
D A Braisby re hedges	79	08/01/2025	503.70
HMRC 3rd qtr	80	12/01/2025	350.20
Bank charges		21/01/2025	5.00
D Conn re cemetery	81	28/01/2025	80.00
T Brown re Jan 25 salary	82	28/01/2025	570.21
ICCM re training	83	28/01/2025	228.00
JJGass re allotment refund	84	28/01/2028	50.00
SSE	84a	31/01/2025	124.06
T Brown re SLCC sub	85	04/02/2025	80.00
Eaton VH	86	13/02/2025	30.00
C C Plants	87	18/02/2025	212.80
Glasdon	88	18/02/2025	166.87
charges		21/02/2025	8.60
T Brown re Feb 25 salary	89	27/02/2025	570.01
Lockforce	90	28/02/2025	84.00

/2 Bank accounts at 28.2.2025 were reconciled to

Bank Reconciliation 28/2/25	
HSBC Current	644.83
HSBC Deposit	14676.85
	15321.68
Herbage Savings account	833.40

/3 to report on Cost Centres:

	Income	Expenditure	Remaining
Allotment	1155.00	607.79	547.21
Cemetery	925.00	80.00	845.00

**25/3137 To receive items for the next meeting.**

/1 to discuss a resilience and contingency plan

**25/3138** Date of next meeting: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April at 7.15 pm Eaton Village Hall

The meeting closed at 21.15 pm

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

Chairman - Eaton Parish Council