

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th September 2021 at 7.30 pm in Eaton Village Hall

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Present: Marcus Hardy, Mark Greasley, Nigel Allen, John Nelson, Alice Crafts

Apologies: None

Members of the Public: 2

In Attendance: None

Public Participation:

21/2644

Resignation of Councillor:

The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Bettley had resigned with immediate effect, the Council wish to put on record their thanks for Cllr Bettley' s work and efforts during his time with the Council. The Clerk to notify Melton Borough Council who would put in motion the process for filling a Casual Vacancy.

21/2645

Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Personal Interest:

None

21/2646

To approve and sign the Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held in Goadby Marwood Village Hall on 12th July 2021:

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 12th July 2021 were unanimously accepted as a true record, and the Minutes signed by the Chairman.

21/2647

Planning:

New:

21/00988/FUL – Removal of existing outbuilding and erection of detached garage –
Swifts Hill, 1 Church Lane, Eaton

21/00569/FUL – Variation of condition 4 methodology for restoration of host
dwelling. – Grantcliffe House, 11 Chapel Street, Eaton

21/2648

Financial:

Bank Reconciliation

A list of July and August receipts and payments is attached to these Minutes and it was unanimously agreed, the reconciled balance of £13150.07 at 31st August 2021 was a true record of the Councils financial position and signed by the Chairman.

21/2649

Budget planning 5 year plan:

Cllr Hardy advised that he thought the larger budget items had been sorted out in to some kind of order to be confirmed in the next few weeks, it was thought that at the end of the financial year there might be about £4k that could be allocated to specific projects.

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There were however various pressing jobs that needed to be addressed in particular bottom end of cemetery that had been cleared once at considerable cost but was overgrown again. The Clerk suggested that Paul Rear who he knew was reliable would be ideal for that and any hedging jobs in cemetery and possibly the allotments. The Clerk had arranged to meet with him the following day to show what needed doing and have a discussion as to when it could be done.

21/2650

Defibrillators:

The Clerk had spoken with Martin Fagan and two other people at the Community Heartbeat Trust regarding having the locks removed on the defibrillator cabinets but to date had been unsuccessful it getting anything done required. Cllr Greasley offered to follow this up with Martin Fagan it had also been agreed that the cabinet in Eaton should be moved from the telephone box and relocated at the village hall. Confirmation was awaited from the Village Hall committee that this was acceptable and that a power source was available.

21/2651

Grit Bins:

The Clerk confirmed that following discussions with Highways the best course of action was to order from them as they would supply, locate, fill and refill as required. Of the 4 locations 3 had been agreed as follows on hill into Goadby Marwood, on bends on road between Eastwell and Eaton, in Eaton by the Notice Board, there was nowhere suitable at bottom end of Eaton on Branston Road. They would be installed sometime in November probably during the night total cost £975.00 this was unanimously agreed.

21/2652

Trees in Churchyard

In previous years there had been misunderstandings between the Parish Council and the Friends of St Denys over what work was to be done to the Yew Trees and by which tree surgeon. Quotes had recently been obtained for work on 4 trees the Parish Councils preferred contractor being the cheapest in order to avoid misunderstanding it was agreed to offer the F of St Denys the opportunity to pay the difference between the two quotes as they preferred the other contractor. This resulted in the F of St Denys wanting yet another contractor to quote whose price came in at 4 times the cheapest albeit for 7 trees. It was therefore unanimously agreed the Council accept the cheapest quote from their preferred contractor.

21/2653

Eaton Allotments:

Following a recent inspection by Cllrs Hardy, Crafts and the Clerk it was apparent that quite a few plots had been neglected over the summer, probably because people had other things to do following the easing of the Lockdown restrictions. It was therefore agreed at renewal time to remind Tenants that allotments needed to be maintained and cultivated.

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Eaton allotments continued:

A further problem on the Allotments was rabbits destroying tenant' s crops, after discussion it was felt the only solution was the use of ferrets, this was not something the Council wished to sanction but if individual Tenants wished to employ this method the Council would not object.

It was also reiterated that efforts should be made to form an Allotment Society and that the Tenancy agreement needed possibly updating.

The matter of Mr G Livermore was raised and the Clerk confirmed that he was in contact with Mr R Livermore who was his brother and was looking after his affairs. The Clerk would be writing shortly to clarify the situation but as the plots were paid for until the end of January 22 it was unlikely any action needed to be taken at the present time.

21/2654

Eastwell

Cllr Nelson raised the matter again of speeding traffic on Stathern Road out of Eastwell, it was suggested the Council needed to put together some facts and figures incl. times etc. with photos if possible in order to be able to put a case for action to Highways. It was also suggested to involve County Councillor Brian Lovegrove in this process as he had campaigned on traffic issues before the local elections.

21/2655

Goadby Marwood

The matter of the planning application relating to the Bridleway was raised the Clerk confirmed the Council had received a reply to its letter of objection but it would be several months before a decision was made the Council would be notified in due course

21/2656

Emails - previously circulated, and issues raised for next Month' s agenda:

The matter of celebrations for the Queens platinum jubilee next year was raised, it was felt that various groups within the three villages were working on things and probably the requirement would be for donations towards the costs.

21/2657

Items for Next Month' s Agenda:

Date of next Meeting: Monday 11th October at 7.30 pm in Goadby Marwood Village Hall

The meeting closed at 21.14 pm

Signed: _____

Chairman

Eaton Parish Council

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The following Receipts and Payments were approved at the Parish Council Meeting on the 6th September and signed by two Councillors

Receipts and Payments July & August 2021

July

Receipts:

HSBC - Interest	£	0.13
Allotments - Gasson	£	25.00

Payments:

Viking Signs Ltd	£	37.78
SWALEC	£	110.00
Scalford P C	£	57.50
G M Village Hall – History Group	£	100.00
Scalford P C	£	35.00
Burnt Oak Development	£	372.00
A Allen	£	188.04

August

Receipts:

HSBC – Interest	£	0.12
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Payments:

SWALEC	£	114.23
C Henfrey	£	1500.00
A Allen	£	42.00
Burnt Oak Development	£	558.00

Councillor: -----

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