

EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on 5th January 2016 at 7.00pm in Eastington Methodist Hall

- 1 **Attendance and apologies for absence** In attendance Cllrs Bullock (Chair), Corrie (Vice-Chair), Allen, Simmons, Bomberg and Loveridge. There were 4 members of the public. Also present District Councillor Davies. Apologies were received from Cllrs Evans, Edis-Bates and Cozens.
- 2 **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.** None.
- 3 **Changes to the order of business.** Item 4.6 was brought forward to be discussed following item 4.2.

The meeting was adjourned at this point for members of the public to address the meeting.

Members of public had no matters to raise.

4 Planning

- 4.1 The Council considered the final version of the Neighbourhood Development Plan and received feedback from the NPIERS health-check that some minor amendments can be made to the policies to make them stronger, however the NDP as currently drafted does not conflict with the NPPF in the opinion of the health-checker. Cllr Bomberg stated that the document is very well put together. Cllr Allen noted that the amendments that had been made to the draft were as a result of the consultation comments received. Cllr Bullock proposed that the NDP be submitted to Stroud District Council w/c 11th January and authority delegated to the Clerk to make minor amendments as necessary identified through the health check. Cllr Bomberg seconded, all agreed. **Action: Clerk.** NDP Vision section needs a fictitious name for the West of Stonehouse development – the Parish Council settled on “Oldbury End”.
- 4.2 The Council discussed the design strategy that accompanied the West of Stonehouse planning application. Cllr Allen noted that the car parking information was not detailed enough and didn't explain how many spaces would be allocated per property and needs to be more precise about minimum off-road parking. The height of the housing will be too high for the location, 2.5 storey town houses do not fit in with the character of the area. The Parish Council's planning consultant had provided comments to send to Stroud District Council. The Clerk will circulate the comments to Parish Councillors for review by 8th January; it was agreed to send the comments to Stroud DC Development Control Committee including any further comments that Parish Councillors identify. **Action: Clerk/All.**
- 4.3 The Parish Council has been invited to speak at Development Control Committee meeting at Stroud DC on 12th January where there are two Eastington planning applications. Cllr Corrie volunteered to speak on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 4.4 The Council discussed the email and attachments from Cotswold Canals Trust in relation to section 106 obligations from the West of Stonehouse development for towpath improvements. The Council considered the connectivity of the area and how the towpath will be used more extensively. The Parish Council agreed to write to Stroud DC to express disappointment that more wasn't being done to support the improvements to the towpath to improve the connectivity of the West of Stonehouse development to Stonehouse and to the centre of Eastington parish, and to request a more substantial contribution than £50k towards the towpath improvements. **Action: Clerk.**

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4.5 The Council received the written submission that has been sent to Stroud DC in respect of the planning application S.15/1227/OUT (land at South View).

4.6 The Council noted the following planning decisions made by Stroud District Council:

- S.15/1708/VAT – John Stayte Services Ltd – removal of condition 3. PERMIT.
- S.15/2601/HHOLD – 16 Alkerton Road – 2 storey extension. PERMIT.

Any other business for the next meeting.

Water flooding across the road at Springhill – Cllr Allen will raise matter with Highways and feedback to the Parish Council at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

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