

# EASTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 09 July 2013 in Eastington Methodist Church.

1. **Attendance and apologies for absence:** In attendance were Cllrs Niblett (Chair), Bullock, Allen, Greenaway, Edwards and Simmons: Andrea Durn (Clerk), Robert Powell (RFO). There were 7 members of the public present. Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllrs Edis-Bates and Cozens. Apologies were sent by District Cllr Stephens.
2. **Chairman's announcements:**
  - None
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda:** None
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the previous meetings:** Cllr Bullock proposed approval of the Minutes of the meeting of 11 June 2013, seconded by Cllr Greenaway. Carried.
5. **Review outstanding actions from previous meeting:**

County Councillor Lesley Williams: The Chair has asked for a date for a meeting. **ACTION: Chair**

The Stables planning application: Cllr Bullock has spoken to Cllr Stephens and he is aware of the amount of building taking place.

Alkerton Green: The Chair is to arrange a meeting with Cllr Cozens. **ACTION: Chair**

Parking outside the Parish noticeboards at the Co-Op: Cllr Allen has spoken to the Manager who was favourable to the proposal to install bollards but waiting a response from the owners. Clerk to review the Action List **ACTION: Clerk**
6. **To consider changes to the order of business:** None.

The meeting was adjourned at this point for members of the Public to speak.

Ed Davies raised the issue of the website not having the latest agenda on the website. It was explained that there was a problem with uploading the information on the website but it is being resolved. The agendas were published on the parish noticeboard.

Ed Davies asked that the list of Committees and Groups be published on the website. It was agreed that they would be uploaded when confirmed.

## 7 Resolutions

### 7.1 Finance

- 7.1.1 RFO gave an update of the 2013-14 accounts, referring to the report circulated prior to the meeting (copy attached to the signed copy of these Minutes). After the cheques listed there will be approximately £57,100 in the accounts. The spend to date is £10,336 with around £35,520 left to spend.
- 7.1.2 Cllr Edwards proposed approval of the accounts for payment, seconded by Cllr Greenaway. Carried. The schedule is attached to the signed copy of these Minutes.
- 7.1.3 The RFO gave an update on the financial regulations circulated prior to the meeting. Councillor Edwards proposed to accept the financial regulations, seconded by Cllr Allen. Carried.
- 7.1.4 The RFO went through the reasons for the precept change. It was noted that the level of precept in 2013/14 was £31,673.
- 7.1.5 Charlie Bullock Fund: the RFO explained that the bank forms are still to be provided.
- 7.1.6 The Chair proposed that subscription payments be made of £20 to Parish Online, and £10 to Cotswold Canals. Carried.

### 7.2 Planning

- 7.2.1 The Chair gave an update on the background, actions taken and required in developing an Eastington Community Land Trust. Councillor Edwards proposed to formerly constitute Eastington Community Land Trust, seconded by Cllr Bullock. Carried.
- 7.2.2 The following planning committee's recommendations were considered for the following applications:

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Signed.....  
Chairman/Responsible Officer

Date.....

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S.13/1348/OUT Land opposite Avenue Terrace, Stonehouse. Erection of upto 90 dwellings including infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space, landscaping and new vehicular access. A meeting with Stroud District Council is being arranged in July 2013 to discuss.

S.13/1277/FUL Kings Head, Bath Road, Eastington. Refurbishment and upgrading of existing licensed premises and erection of single storey toilet block extension. The planning committee recommended that the Council supports this application.

S.13/1315/HHOLD Beech House, Westend, Stonehouse. Porch extension, conservatory extension and replacement detached garage. The planning committee recommended that the Council supports this application.

S,13/1247/DISCON Orchardleigh, Bath Road, Eastington. Discharge of conditions from planning permission S.12/2383/FUL. The planning committee recommended that the Council notes the discharge of conditions.

S.13/1036/DISCON Discharge of conditions 5 - contamination and remediation scheme, 7 - details of a footway link and 10 - Construction Method Statement from planning permission

S.11/0923/FUL. The planning committee recommended that the Council notes that no action is required.

Councillor Simmons proposed that the Council accept the above recommendations, seconded by Councillor Bullock. Carried.

## 7.2.3 The following planning application decisions were noted:

The Stables, Churchend, Eastington. S.13/0993/HHOLD - Erection of a single storey extension.

The Hawthorns, Claypits, Eastington. S.13/0436/FUL - Conversion of ancillary outbuilding to an independent dwelling (15.05.2013). Permission

The Hawthorns, Claypits, Eastington. S.13/0437/LBC - Conversion of ancillary outbuilding to an independent dwelling. (Revised plans received 17.3.2013) (Further plans received 14th May). Consent

2 Hillview Cottages, Middle Street, Eastington. S.13/0657/HHOLD - A rear first floor extension to create a bedroom. Permission

## 7.3 It was noted that there was an error in the agenda numbering and that there was not an item 7.3.

## 7.4 **Eastington Community Park Project**

The Chair gave an update on the Eastington Community Park Project. Cllr Greenaway praised the format of the Eastington Youth Group proposal and recommended it as a model for organisations to use for future proposals.

### 7.4.1 Cllr Edwards proposed the agreement of the use of the area adjacent to the allotments as a playground area for a minimum of 30 years as laid out in the Eastington Youth Group report. Seconded by Cllr Allen. Carried.

### 7.4.2 Cllr Edwards proposed to allocate an annual budget of £2,000 towards the maintenance of the site and equipment subject to fair and reasonable contributions from other user groups being sought. Seconded by Cllr Greenaway. Carried.

## 7.5 **Strategy Workshop**

Cllr Bullock gave a summary of the Strategy Workshop. The cost of the workshop for 2 hours is £250 plus travelling expenses and will be facilitated by Kim Bedford of GAPTC. It was felt that there should be full attendance of the workshop as it is of importance to more effective working and to get the most value for money, The Clerk to circulate proposed dates for the workshop and for councillors to let her know availability. **ACTION: Clerk and all Councillors**

## 7.6 **OHMG**

A meeting has been arranged between the OHMG Management Committee, the OHMG Management Trustees and EPC as Custodial Trustees on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2013. The Clerk to arrange a venue for the meeting. **ACTION: Clerk**

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## 7.7 Footpaths

Cllr Edwards proposed the installation of kissing gates on land at Nupend. Seconded Cllr Greenaway. Carried.

## 7.8 Play Equipment

Cllr Greenaway proposed the removal of all play equipment, to mow the area and to reinstate the area to a safe and good condition. Seconded Cllr Simmons. Carried.

## 7.9 Community Wind Turbine and Alternative Renewable Energy Sources Project

The Chair led a discussion on setting up an Eastington Renewable Energy Group (E-REG) and to carry out a feasibility study. Cllr Edwards proposed a constitution to govern the charity known as the Eastington Renewable Energy Group (E\_REG) with a budget of £2,000 for set up costs. Seconded by Cllr Bullock. Carried with 1 abstention.

## 7.10 Roads and Transport

7.10.1 Cllr Allen gave an update on the traffic calming pilot held in the parish and the requirements of a programme involving parishioners and councillors. The insurance should be checked regarding the public liability to cover all those involved in the Community Speed Watch programme.

### **ACTION: Policy and Resources Committee**

Cllr Allen proposed to support the setting up of a Community Speed Watch Programme subject to insurance cover. Seconded by the Chair. Carried with 1 abstention.

7.10.2 Cllr Allen to seek volunteers for the cleaning of the bus shelter. Cllr Bullock to ask Mr Loveridge.

### **ACTION: Cllrs Allen and Bullock.**

## 7.11 Churchyard and Burial Ground

7.11.1 Cllr Allen proposed payment of £2,724 for an additional 6 metres repair of the churchyard wall agreed as necessary by Council in May 2013 to be paid for by the Council. Seconded Cllr Greenaway. Carried.

7.11.2 Cllr Allen proposed an agreement in principle or research into cost of waste disposal notices in the Burial Ground. Seconded by Cllr Simmons. Carried.

## 8. Updates

### 8.1 Roads and Transport

Cllr Allen's report was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions.

### 8.2 Churchyard and Burial Group (C&BG Group)

Cllr Allen's report was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions

### 8.3 Eastington Flood Group

Cllr Allen's report was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions

### **Any Other Business for Next Meeting**

1. A strategic approach to traffic calming in the parish in a future meeting.

#### **Action: Cllr Allen**

**Notice: The next meeting of Eastington Parish Council will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2013. Anybody with an item they wish to bring to the attention of the Council, should forward details, in writing, to the Clerk to the Parish Council, no later than Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2013.**