

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th June 2018 at 7.00pm in Eastington Village Hall

1. **Attendance and apologies for absence** In attendance Cllrs Bullock (Chair), Corrie, Chatterley, Farnden, Loveridge and Simmons. Planning Clerk Karen Hayes (taking minutes). **Also present** 3 members of the public. **Absent** Cllr Bomberg, Cozens and Wells.
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** Cllr Loveridge declared an interest in item 8.6 and 9.4.
3. **Chairman’s announcements** – Chairman thanked Karen for minute taking, who was happy to help.
4. **Approval of the minutes of the meetings held on 10th May 2018:** RESOLVED to accept the minutes.
5. **To review outstanding actions from previous meeting.** Chair advised that the reason the councillors contact details are not on the website is because EPC were advised by our web provider that it reduces spam/phishing mail – Councillors can be contacted by using the ‘Contact Us’ tab on the EPC website or calling the Clerk’s local land line phone number. The Clerk can then forward the contact request. Names, photographs and register of interests are also on the website. Councillor contact details are on the Council Notice board (name, role, address, phone number and email address) so they are publicly available.
6. **Changes to the order of business.** None

The meeting was opened for questions and comments from the public. A parishioner asked that the Council could get the kissing gates installed so that they can do longer walks. He has also spoken to the landowner who is happy to have the surface stone laid. There was also concern at the quality of the work of the ‘high path’ alongside Millend Lane. The work was carried out by GCC and EPC have already complained twice about the quality of the resulting path. EPC are in touch with Cllr Lesley Williams about it. Concerns were raised that the hedge alongside the Glebe field needs cutting but it is not owned by the parish council to have it cut.

Report from the County Councillor – not present

Report from the District Councillors – not present

7. Planning

7.1 To consider the following planning applications:

Date received	Application No:	Address	Details	EPC comments
29.5.18	S.16/0043/OUT	Land at M5 Junction 13	Amendment to outline planning application in respect of land at M5 Junction 13 West of Stonehouse, Eastington, Gloucestershire. Development now comprises a 5,000 capacity football stadium and other ancillary uses (Use Class D2); two full-sized grass pitches and a goal practice area (Use Class D2); car parking for cars and	To be put on planning agenda on 28/6 to consider whether to employ Helix, Troy Planning and/or an ecologist to consider new information regarding FGR. To object as set out in papers to members.

			coaches and highways improvements to the A419 including a signalised site junction and combined cycle/footway. All matters are reserved save for access. https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.16/0043/OUT	
29.5.18	S.18/1110/HHO LD	8 Alkerton Terrace, Alkerton Road	Removal of existing timber workshop and construction of garage and workshop. https://www.stroud.gov.uk/apps/planning?AppRef=S.18/1110/HHOLD	No comment

- 7.2 The planning decision made by Stroud District Council was noted:
S.18/0730/HHOLD – 1 St Mary’s Eastington PERMIT 23/05/18
S.18/0705/HHOLD – Northfields, Nupend WITHDRAWN 23/5/18

8. Groups / Meetings / Reports

- 8.1 Council received a verbal update from the Getting Around Group and noted that the work on the Bath Road verges has been completed. The group will be getting together again about the ‘high path’ on the way to school. Flowers for the gateways are being done on Saturday 16 June at 10am at TEAS. The flower tower could not be put in this year. The next Highways meeting is at 10am on Monday 2 July at the Kings Head. Cllr Corrie has a pro forma which can be completed and sent to Dan Tiffney for his assessment prior to the meeting. Potholes at Snakey Lane and other areas in the village were filled today.
- 8.2 Council received a verbal update from the Churchyard & Burial Ground Group noting that the topple test has been done for headstones and details will be sent to the clerk. Emma Laval of Raffles Forrest School, who works with Eastington Primary School, has proposed two sensory designs for the new remembrance garden. She was not aware of the path requirement.
- 8.3 Council received the notes of the latest meetings of the Strategic Planning Working Group on 10 and 17 May.
- 8.4 Council received the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 24 May, for information
- 8.5 Council discussed the request to install kissing gates at two locations - Footpath EEA46/1 where it meets the A38 at Fromebridge and Footpath EEA73/1 where it meets the A38 at Wickers Bridge and noted that council is already liaising with the GCC PROW Officer who is liaising with the landowner and we are awaiting feedback. EPC intend that the gates will go in as soon as possible following her advice as EPC has already allocated the money to the project.
- 8.6 Council agreed the request to lay stone in the gateways of footpaths, such as EEA56 at Middle Street at a cost of £150. The contractor will be asked to do this asap. Cllr Corrie suggested that plaques or notices reminding people of the countryside code could be erected on gates. Clerk to contact GCC highways to establish potential.
- 8.7 Council discussed the request from Owen Harris Memorial Ground to erect a new sign on Alkerton Green, the same size as the current one and in a new location at least 6.5m from the road. The green is common land with no registered owner, although EPC pays for grass cutting. Proposal is to put it in the recess. Council has no objection but suggested that OHMG need to establish if advertisement consent is required.
- 8.8 Council agreed to rent a temporary loo for the play park for the school summer holidays costing £20+VAT per week, plus £30+VAT delivery and collection charge. However EPC would like to agree siting and someone needs to be on site when it is delivered to ensure it is in the right place.

- 8.9 Council agreed the purchase of plants for the village gateways at a maximum spend of £200 with details of the required purchase delegated to the Chair and Vice Chair to arrange. It was noted that 20 packs of 6 geraniums cost £80 and whilst 3 50litre bags of compost remain they may need to purchase more.
- 8.10 Council received the latest monthly report from the SDC Neighbourhood Warden.

9. Finance / Procedures

- 9.1 Council approved the May bank reconciliation and noted the budget versus spend report for May 2018.
- 9.2 Council approved the payment of Acting Clerk and Planning Clerk's expenses for May 2018.
- 9.3 Council received the Acting Clerk and Planning Clerk's timesheets for May 2018 (confidential and not for circulation).
- 9.4 Council approved the accounts for payment, schedule circulated prior to meeting.

Invoice Date	Payee	Details	Net Amount	VAT	Gross Amount	Budget
CHEQUE PAYMENTS						
24/5/18	Alison Loveridge	APM refreshments	£5.27	£0	£5.27	Parish Admin
ONLINE PAYMENTS						
31/05/18	Salaries & Expenses	Payroll May (JS) & April (AS & KH) 2018 & Expenses May 2018	£1596.09	£0	£1596.09	Parish Admin
9/5/18	Helix Transport Consultants	Planning services	£150.00	£0	£150.00	Planning
9/5/18	GAPTC	Councillor training	£95.00	£0	£95.00	Training
30/5/18	A J Loveridge	Grass cutting May	£1165.00	£0	£1165	Ground maintenance
25/05/18	Abbey Loos Ltd	Portable toilet for Snakey Park May half term	£70.00	£14.00	£84.00	Play Park (from grants)
28/05/18	Jamie Linwood	Musical Instruments for Snakey Park	£2742.50	£0	£2742.50	Play Park (from grants)
DIRECT DEBITS:						
29/05/18	NEST	Pensions for May 2018	£76.29	£0	£76.29	Parish Admin
21/05/18	Vodafone UK	Parish Mobile	£31.86	£6.37	£38.23	Parish Admin
TOTAL					£5952.38	

Cllrs Bullock and Corrie will authorise the online payments.

10 Consultations

- 10.1 Council considered and agreed responses to questions in the Stroud District Green Infrastructure, Sport and Recreational Study
- 10.2 Council considered the SDC Private Sector Housing Renewal Policy 2018-23.

11 Correspondence

- 11.1 Council received a list of correspondence received for information.

Business for the July meeting:

Overgrown style at the top of Broadfield Road so could a kissing gate replace it. Can the broken style at Nupend be fixed or replaced.

Meeting closed at 8.37pm

Signed

Date



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Notice: The next meeting of Eastington Parish Council will be on Thursday 12th July 2018. 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 9am on Wednesday 4th July 2018.

Signed

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Date