

**EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council  
held on Monday 13 April 2015 at 6pm  
in the Village Hall, Everdon

**Present:** Kevin Nichols (Chairman), David Osborne (Vice-Chairman), Clerk/RFO Erica Fothergill, Councillors Peter Cooper, Ron Flounders, Shaen Linfoot, Peter Nevill and Keith Wilkins.

1 **Requests for dispensation** – None.

2 **Public Participation** – District Councillor Kevin Perry updated the Council on several current local issues, of which a number were also included in his report to the Annual Parish Meeting

3 **Resolved to accept Apologies** from Cllr. Don Aitkenhead due to business commitments.

4 **Members' Declaration of Interest** – None

5 **Resolved to approve and sign the minutes** of the statutory meeting of the Parish Council held on 9 March 2015 as a true record of proceedings.

6 **Finance**

1 Resolved to approve and sign the bank reconciliation for year ended March 2015.

2 Resolved to approve and sign the Income and Expenditure for year ended March 2015.

3 Resolved to approve the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2015.

4 Resolved to approve Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Return for the financial year ended 31 March 2015 as well as the explanation of significant variances.

5 Resolved to approve the list of Annual Expenditure Exceeding £100 as well as the list of Annual Payments & Subscriptions for the year ended 31 March 2015.

6 E-On's intention to change our street lighting 'Deemed Contract' rate from 8.24p to 12.40p per kWh from 1 May 2015 was discussed. The Clerk advised that NCALC is in negotiation with Opus to secure a better deal for parish councils and that no notice is required to terminate our Deemed Contract with E-On. If Opus' offer does not include a maintenance package, the Clerk was requested to check with E-On whether they would continue to do the maintenance. A final decision will be made by the Council when more information is available. The Clerk was requested to put it on the May agenda.

7 Resolved to cancel the monthly standing order for £381.40 in respect of the clerk's salary and to make online payments in the same amount. Any variations in this amount will require the Council's prior approval. The reason for the change is to ensure that payments are made in the month it falls due and not carried over into the following month by the bank, which happens.

8 Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts below:

Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
Online	Erica Fothergill	March expenses	34.60
S/O	Erica Fothergill	March salary	381.40
1250	St. Mary's	Grant for churchyard maintenance	500.00
Online	CPRE	2015/16 Membership renewal	36.00
Online	S.H Tree Works	Mowing of verges and village green, 1 <sup>st</sup> cut	180.00
Online	ACS	Electrical wiring for the defibrillator	141.60
Online	GetMapping Plc	Annual Subscription - Resolved not to renew this subscription	<del>33.60</del>
Online	E-On UK plc	Electricity – 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter 2014-15	101.35

7	<b>Planning</b>			
	<b>Application</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>EPC Decision</b>
	DA/2015/0180	Everdon Village Hall, High Street, Everdon	Installation of two air source heat pump compressors to rear of building	Supported
	DA/2015/0197	Brickfield Barn, Newnham Road, Everdon	Variation of Condition 3 of planning permission DA/2014/1114 relating to no development shall commence until samples to be submitted to and approved in writing	Supported
	DA/2015/0251	Building At Fawsley Road, Everdon	Extension to existing livestock building	Supported
8	<b>Correspondence – Noted</b>			
9	BT's offer to 'Adopt a Kiosk for £1' was considered. The Clerk advised that, upon enquiry, BT told her that Everdon's kiosk was listed and would remain in operation if not adopted. It was unanimously agreed not to adopt the kiosk and for the Clerk to advise BT of this decision.			EF
10	The amended wording of Financial Regulations para 11(h), which grants the clerk delegated authority to approve contracts to the value of £500 in consultation with the Chairman without the Council's prior approval, was unanimously approved.			
11	It was reported that the majority of the dog poo was found on ER13 and the field behind the Outdoor Learning Centre, but hardly anything on village roads. It was agreed to carry on with the spraying, but also to put up more signs in problem areas and to monitor the situation.			KW PN
12	Cllr Osborne reported that Everdon's grant for a defibrillator from British Heart Foundation had been activated and that further notification will be received within the next two weeks. It was agreed to await this notification before ordering the cabinet from Turtle Engineering. The erection of a defibrillator sign at the cabinet, cost £50 plus VAT, was unanimously approved. The Clerk was requested to contact DDC and Highways to check that this would be in order.			EF
13	Highways advised that they've inspected the stiles on E17 and that they will contact the landowner regarding the removal of the barbed wire along the top rail and also to request him to replace the stile as it is very difficult to climb over it. It was agreed to monitor progress.			EF
14	It was agreed that Cllrs. Nichols, Osborne and Cooper will attend CPRE's roadshow on 4 <sup>th</sup> June 'Making Planning Responses Count' where they will be exploring ways of making effective responses to Local Plan Consultations and Planning Applications, and appearances at Public Inquiries. The Clerk was requested to make the arrangements.			KN DO PC
15	DDC's Housing Land Supply position as at 1st April 2015 showed that they still fell short of the required 5-year land supply, although Cllr Perry advised the meeting that they have now exceed this and are close to 6 years. No developments are planned in or around Everdon.			
16	Weedon Bec's Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan was discussed and it was noted that the land set aside for development will not affect Everdon.			
17	<b>Date of next meeting</b> – the meeting closed at 7:05pm. The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 11 May 2015 at 7pm.			