

**EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council  
held on Monday 13 July 2015 at 7pm  
in the Village Hall, Everdon

**Present:** Kevin Nichols (Chairman), David Osborne (Vice-Chairman), Clerk/RFO Erica Fothergill, Councillors Don Aitkenhead, Peter Cooper, Ron Flounders, Shaen Linfoot and Keith Wilkins. District Councillor Johnnie Amos was also in attendance.

1 **Requests for dispensation** – None.

2 **Public Participation** – The Chairman introduced the district councillor to members of the council. Cllr Amos updated Council on Daventry District Council's projects and, most importantly, the Daventry Development Link Road, also known locally as the Flore/Weedon Bypass, where work is expected to commence this autumn.

3 **Apologies** – Councillor Nevill, due to a delayed appointment.

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

5 **Resolved to approve and sign the minutes** of the statutory meeting of the Parish Council held on 8 June 2015 as a true record of proceedings.

6 **Finance**

1 Resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for June 2015 which was checked and signed by Cllr Osborne on behalf of the Finance Committee.

2 Resolved to approve the Income and Expenditure for June 2015 which was also checked and signed by Cllr Osborne.

3 Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts detailed below:

Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
Online	Erica Fothergill	June salary and expenses	421.20
Online	S.H Tree Works	Mowing of verges and extra cut - village green	200.00
Online	E-On	Street light maintenance - 1st quarter 2015/16	75.96
Cheq 1253	Post Office Ltd	PAYE – 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 2015/16	17.80
Cheq 1254	K Nichols	Refund of expenses – magnets for notice board	11.99
Cheq 1255	BDO LLP	2014/15 External audit fee	120.00

7 **Planning**

Application	Address	Details	Comments
DA/2015/0589	The Tithe House, Newnham Road, Everdon	Work to a tree within a conservation area	Supported
DA/2015/0591	Holcombe, High Street, Everdon	Remove tree within a conservation area	Supported

8 **Correspondence** – Noted

9 **To Receive an Update on Matters Arising from Previous meetings**

Oil leak within the village

More residents have had their oil tanks tested, but, to date, there has been no further response from the Environment Agency.

Installation of the village defibrillator;

Cllrs. Osborne and Wilkins will organise the installation of the defibrillator in the coming week and notify the emergency services of the code. They will then arrange training for councillors and residents. It was agreed to approach the Fete Committee to discuss mounting a St. John's Ambulance display, which we are required to do in terms of our grant.

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Parking issues within the village

The clerk was requested to contact the Outdoor Learning Centre again, as no response had been received with regard to our letter about the inconsiderate parking in and around the Centre.

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NCALC's investigation into cheaper electricity suppliers, following E-On's 50% increase in their deemed contract rate.

The matter has been deferred, pending NCALC's conclusion of the investigation. The clerk was requested to contact NCALC to follow up on the matter.

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Footpaths

NCC Highways advised that the Stile on footpath ER17 had been adjusted and the barbed wire covered, making it safer and easier to use.

- 10 Cllr Cooper gave comprehensive feedback on CPRE's Roadshow held on 4th June. Issues impacting on our area included the following:

- No protected green-belt land in Northamptonshire;
- Right to Buy Scheme to be extended to Housing Associations;
- 4 major proposed housing developments in Long Buckby;
- Proposal to remove planning permission requirements for brown field site developments;
- Everdon's superfast broadband is scheduled for early 2016.

- 11 Cllr Osborne provided feedback on the Planning Training for Parishes he attended with the chairman on 1st July. Topics covered were:

- Planning obligations Section 106's (planning obligations legal agreements);
- What planning obligations do/do not cover;
- The process and the role of Parish Councils;
- The future – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)
- Understanding the Joint Core Strategy and other policies;

A copy of the presentation is available in the 'Planning' section of Everdon Parish Council's website [www.everdonpc.co.uk](http://www.everdonpc.co.uk) (Parish training 01/07/2015)

- 12 Cllr Wilkins provided the following feedback on the Parish and Town Councils' Liaison Meeting he attended with Cllr Cooper on Thursday 11 June 2015:

- There are 72 parishes in the District with the level of PCSO's at 50% making it difficult to attend all annual/parish meetings, but they should submit reports;
- There are four horseback Police special constables in Daventry District;
- 500 of the 900 special constable positions in the county have been filled

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- Heavy goods vehicles going through villages continue to cause problems;
  - Villages using private broadband providers will be removed by the County Council from the Intervention Area and will fall outside BT's scope.
- 13 The Emergency Planning work party will finalise their action plan and contact list, which will form part of the Welcome Pack, during the summer break and will provide feedback at the next meeting.
- 14 The Chairman advised that he had arranged with the Highways' representative for the delivery of high visibility speed limit boards, in an effort to reduce speeding in the village.
- 15 It was unanimously agreed to approve the Village Fete Committee's request to use the village green for the fete on Monday 31 August 2015.
- 16 It was agreed that, although the Community Enhancement Gangs were unable to carry out all the work we requested, we were happy with what they've done, especially the footpath outside the church which is much improved.
- 17 The Chairman reported as follows on the outcome of NCC Highways' visit to the village:
- Flooding at the bridge was due to a blocked gulley will be cleared and they will put install additional grips;
  - A list of approved contractors will be provided, who can be approached to tarmac the footpath outside The Courtyard;
  - Sunken drain covers were identified and will be repaired;
  - The path beside the Outdoor Learning Centre will be tidied as appropriate;
  - The missing "30 mph" repeater sign in Little Everdon will be replaced and village nameplates signs will be renewed to the current standard;
  - The speed limit signs on the Stubbs Road approach to the village will be replaced and new marker posts will also be installed on the approach to the Stubbs Road bridge.
  - Also to be attended to will be the sunken gulley outside 4 Long Row Cottage and the carriageway defect, alongside The Green.
- 18 To considered and agreed to DDC's Public Space Protection Order Consultation for Enhanced Dog Control Powers. Residents are encouraged to have their say too by completing the online questionnaire [www.daventrydc.gov.uk/consultation](http://www.daventrydc.gov.uk/consultation)
- 19 **Date of next meeting** – the meeting closed at 8:20pm and the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 14 September 2015 at 7pm.

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