

EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council
held on Monday 5 October 2015 at 7pm
in the Village Hall, Everdon

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

- 1 **Requests for dispensation** – None.
- 2 **Public Participation** – None.
- 3 **It was resolved to accept apologies** received from Councillor Don Aitkenhead who was unable to attend due to business commitments and Councillor Flounders who was on holiday.
- 4 **Members' Declarations of Interest** – None.
- 5 Resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the statutory meeting of the Parish Council held on 7 September 2015, as a true record of proceedings.

6 Finance

- 1 Resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for September 2015.
- 2 Resolved to approve the Income and Expenditure for September 2015.
- 3 Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts detailed below:

Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
Online	Image IT Ltd	Newsletter	90.02
Online	Erica Fothergill	September salary/expenses and 2 weeks' pay in lieu of holiday.	599.05
Online	SLCC	Annual subscription	103.00

7 Planning

Application	Address	Details	Comments
DA/2015/0880	2 Stubbs Road, Everdon	Work to a tree within a conservation area	None

8 Correspondence – Noted

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

Defibrillator training;

Training will take place at 7pm on 22 October in the village hall. There are still 2 places and it was agreed to try and fill them.

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Speeding – see item 14 below for an update an action to be taken against speeding.

The overgrown lime trees on Newnham Road;

No further progress. It was agreed to refer the matter to our County Councillor.

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Uneven tarmac on the road outside the Activities Centre, reported to NCC Highways

It was reported that the sunken drain and the uneven tarmac have been repaired. The repair to the road next to the village green is still awaited

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Repair to damaged verge outside Barley Mow

The Clerk reported that, as the current mowing contractor's quote was below the £100 for which she was given delegated authority at the previous meeting, she has authorised the repair of the verge.

	<p><u>Repair to damaged verge outside Barley Mow – cont.</u></p> <p>It was reported that the verge outside the Old Rectory had also been damaged and the Clerk was given delegated authority to have this verge repaired providing it can also be repaired for £80.</p>	EF
	<p><u>Initial update on any progress regarding a possible village children's play area</u></p> <p>It was agreed that the Chairman would raise the possibility of a play area, if suitable, in the grounds of the Outdoor Learning Centre with our county councillor. It was further agreed to appoint a working party at the November meeting.</p> <p>The Clerk reminded the council that, in terms of the Council's Standing Orders 9b, no motion may be moved at a meeting unless it is on the agenda and the mover has given written notice of its wording to the Proper Officer at least six clear days before the meeting. Clear days do not include the day of the notice or the day of the meeting.</p>	KN EF
10	The updated Asset Register, showing the donation of filing cabinet to the Village Hall, was unanimously approved.	
11	<p>To consider the following with regard to the 2016/17 budget:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Following the Clerk's appraisal by the Chairman, Council reviewed her performance during the past year and unanimously agreed that the Clerk had completed an exemplary performance during 2015 and that her pay rate should be increased to £12.00 per hour, with effect from 1st January 2016. 2. Mowing Contract <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) it was agreed to defer reviewing extension of the current contractor's mowing contract for 2015/16 to the November meeting; (b) As the current contractor's quotation was not received in time for the meeting, it will be considered at the November meeting. 	
12	It was unanimously agreed that councillors have undergone sufficient training to equip themselves to deal with our level of planning applications.	
13	After reviewing the creation by KierWSP (Highways) of a Customer and Communities (C&C) Team it was agreed that it would have very little impact on their current services.	
14	A letter had been received from the Police regarding their Community Speed Watch Offer. It was agreed to recruit the required 12 volunteers before signing up to the scheme. Residents are encouraged to get involved and to advise the council if they wish to participate. For more details see http://www.northants.police.uk/#!/SaferRoads/9776	ALL
15	The Clerk was requested to invite PCSO Tooley to the next meeting of the council.	EF
16	It was unanimously agreed to start our February and March meetings at 6:30pm to accommodate table tennis which starts at 7:45.	
17	The review of village welcome pack and procurement of a further supply of outer covers was deferred to the November.	
18	It was agreed to apply for funding from the money made available by Government to enable councils to comply with the Transparency Code for a new printer/scanner as the council's current scanner is out of order. The Clerk reported that the Council is compliant with the requirements of the Transparency Code.	
19	Date of next meeting – the meeting closed at 7:45pm and the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 9 November 2015 at 7pm.	