

EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council
held on Monday 14 November 2016 at 7:00pm
in the Village Hall, Everdon

Present: Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), David Osborne (Vice-chairman) Peter Cooper, Ron Flounders, Karen King, Peter Nevill, Shaen Linfoot, and Keith Wilkins.

In attendance: Clerk/RFO Erica Fothergill and District Councillors J Amos and A Brown.

1.	Welcome The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.																				
2.	Requests for dispensation – None.																				
3.	Public Participation – None																				
4.	Apologies received from Cllr Karen King who was unable to attend due to work commitments, was approved. County Cllr Robin Brown also sent apologies.																				
5.	Members' Declarations of Interest - None																				
6.	Resolved to sign the minutes of the statutory meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 October 2016, as a true reflection of proceedings.																				
7.	Finance																				
1	Resolved to approve the October 2016 bank reconciliation.																				
2	Resolved to approve the October 2016 Income and Expenditure.																				
3	The amended bank mandate forms were completed and will be handed in to the bank.																				
4	Cllr Osborne reported that the Finance Committee had reviewed the budget, reflecting a 1.58% increase on last year. Subject to a few minor amendments, the budget will be circulated to Councillors, prior to the December meeting where it will be presented for approval.																				
5	Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts below:																				
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8.	Correspondence – Noted.																				
9.	The Chairman reported that he had been advised by DDC's tree officer that the request to carry out work to the large walnut tree at The Old Post Office had been correctly submitted and had now been carried out by an approved contractor. The absence of the application from the DDC website was simply due to an administrative oversight.																				
10.	As no response had been received to the Clerk's 2 nd letter to the owners of 1 Long Row Close regarding the hedge and gardens which currently impinge on Highways land, the matter had been reported to Highways who will write to the owners. If this request is still ignored, Highways contractors will carry out the work at the expense of the homeowners.																				

11.	It was decided to participate in both the 2017 Community Speed Watch Scheme and the “Dead Slow” poster campaign. Cllr Nevill offered to obtain a quotation from our printers for 4 x A2 posters.	PN
12.	It was decided that no additional salt is required, other than what is already being supplied by NCC Highways.	
13.	The adequacy and remit of the current mowing contract was considered adequate. More cuts may be required depending on weather conditions, but only with the prior permission of the Clerk. The Chairman will contact the Definitive Map team to establish ownership of a strip of land in Little Everdon for which a request has been received to include this within the mowing contract.	KN
14.	To receive an update on the following matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Recent dog poo campaign;</u> The Poo Patrolmen reported a slight decrease in ‘deposits’, although there appears to be one persistent culprit who won’t pick up after his/her dog. It was agreed to post notices requesting residents who have been witness to this vile violation, to report it anonymously to any member of the council. • <u>Update on repairs to the bridge by NCC Highways</u> The bridge will be closed to traffic from 21st November for up to two weeks, whilst repairs are being carried out. Diversions will be in place. Highways will also clear the grips and paint the white lines during this time. 	
15.	The Chairman agreed to attend DDC’s Parish and Town Councils Meeting on Thursday 15 December 2016, 6.30pm in the Council Chamber. Cllrs Wilkins and Nevill agreed to check their diaries and confirm whether they are able to attend too. No agenda items were yet identified.	KN PN KW
16.	It was agreed to start the December and February meetings at 6:30pm, to accommodate another patron.	EF
17.	A request for the possible removal of a rowan tree, outside Long Row Cottages, in order to alleviate a drainage problem, was considered and will be fully considered when a formal planning application has been received.	KN
18.	Date of next meeting – The next meeting will take place at 6:30pm on Monday 12 th December 2016. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 8:10pm.	