

**EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council  
held on Monday 9 November 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**

1. PCSO Mark Tooley attended the meeting to introduce himself. He advised that, although crime in Everdon itself was minimal, there was a lot of opportunistic crime in the area, ranging from theft from vehicles; burglaries and distraction theft. He warned residents to be vigilant and report anything untoward to him by dialing 101, saying his name and the call will go through to him.
2. The owners of The Plough attended the meeting to speak on their planning applications, refer item 8.
3. District Councillor Kevin Perry attend to update the meeting on changes taking place at Daventry District Housing. He advised that Daventry District Council (DDC) is exploring new options with regard to the waste contract which is due for renewal in 2018. Lastly he advised the meeting that a member of the public took a picture of a dog fouling incident at Whilton Locks where the owner did not pick it up and he was subsequently issued a £75 spot fine.
4. District Councillor Johnnie Amos shared DDC's media release advising groups planning festive fundraising events for their cause to apply for grants of up to £500. Applicants must have support from their Parish Council and must also match any funding they receive.
5. Two residents attended to speak on creating a playground in Everdon, see item 9.

3 **It was resolved to accept apologies** received from Councillor Don Aitkenhead who was unable to attend as he had a conflicting appointment.

4 **Members' Declarations of Interest** – None.

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

6 **Finance**

1 Resolved to approve the bank reconciliation for October 2015.

2 Resolved to approve the Income and Expenditure for October 2015.

3 The Finance Committee advised that they have reviewed the budget which they will recommend for approval at the December meeting.

4 Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts detailed below:

Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
Online	Erica Fothergill	Oct. salary, expenses and remaining 2 weeks' pay in lieu of holiday.	625.56
Online	SH Tree Works	Mowing: September and October cuts @ £180/ea	360.00
Online	E-On	Replaced photocell, lamp 6	28.16

7 **Correspondence** – Noted

8	<b>Planning</b>			<b>Comments</b>
Application	Address	Details		
DA-2015-0490	The Plough, Newnham Rd. Everdon	Conversion of first floor of barn to holiday let. Extensions and alterations to existing stables to form additional storage space	Supported	
DA/2015/0963		Listed Building Consent for change of use to holiday let, increase ridge height and provide pitched roof to adjoining stables, extend stables with single storey extension	Supported	
9	<b>To Receive an Update on Matters Arising from Previous meetings:</b>			
<u>Defibrillator training;</u>				
The Chairman advised that the training was worthwhile and that the trainer's course presentation was excellent. It was agreed to arrange another training session at a later stage if a further 12 residents expressed an interest.				
<u>Speeding / Speed Watch Scheme</u>				
The Chairman advised that 8 residents have indicated their willingness to undergo training. With the two residents in attendance who also volunteered, only a further two volunteers are needed. It was agreed that Councillors would check with their spouses whether any of them would be willing to make up the numbers and to advise the Chairman, so that the necessary arrangements for training can be made.				ALL
<u>The overgrown Lime trees on Newnham Road;</u>				
Highways has still not attended to the trees, although some residents have trimmed them. It was agreed to refer the matter to our County Councillor, Robin Brown.				KN
<u>Uneven tarmac on the road outside the Activities Centre, reported to NCC Highways</u>				
It was reported that the sunken drain and the uneven tarmac had been repaired by Highways who, at the same time, also repaired potholes in the village and in Snorscomb. It was agreed to write to Ian Boyes at Highways to thank him for carrying out the repairs and to find out when they will be clearing the grips.				KN
<u>Children's Playground</u>				
The following was agreed:				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As the acquisition of the playground is not council-driven, a working party consisting of two residents and two councillors namely Peter Cooper and Peter Nevill was established to investigate funding, playground equipment, etc. They do not have decision-making powers, but will report their findings to the full council, should any decisions be required.</li> </ul>				PC/ PN
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The chairman will contact Cllr Robin Brown to discuss the viability/suitability of having the playgrounds in the grounds of Everdon's Outdoor Learning Centre;</li> </ul>				KN
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Clerk will write to landowners to establish the possibility of obtaining a piece of land in/adjoining the village for the playground;</li> </ul>				EF

	<p><u>Verge repairs outside Barley Mow and The Old Rectory</u></p> <p>The Clerk reported that, as the current mowing contractor's quote was below the £100 for which she was given delegated authority at the September meeting, she has authorised the repair of the verges and that it will be done during the coming week.</p>	
10	It was agreed to defer presentation of the Emergency Planning work party's action plan and contact list to the January 2016 meeting.	KN RF DO
11	Cllr. Flounders tabled the updated village welcome pack and advised that he would circulate it to councilors for comment, prior to having it printed. He reported that he had found more outer covers and would not need to order any during the coming year.	RF
12	It was agreed that Cllrs Nichols and Osborne would attend DDC's Parish and Town Councils' Liaison Meeting on Thursday 17 December 2015, 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Daventry District Council offices.	KN DO
13	It was agreed to approve the quotation of £200/cut, subject to it including weed spraying of all kerbs and steps within the village boundary signs, as per last year's quotation.	
14	To receive an update on crime in the village – Refer item 2.1.	
15	<b>Date of next meeting</b> – the meeting closed at 8:17pm and the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 14 December 2015 at 7pm.	