

**EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council

held on Monday 8 July 2019 at 6:30pm

in the Village Hall, Everdon

**Present:**

Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Peter Cooper, Shaen Linfoot and David Osborne, Will Willits

**In attendance:** Erica Fothergill (Clerk/RFO), County Councillors Robin Brown and District Cllr Amos.

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| 1.                      | The Chairman welcomed Councillors and thanked everyone for attending.  |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 2.                      | <p>There was only one nominee for co-option, Will Willits. He introduced himself to Council and briefly summarised his experience and reasons for wanting to become a member of the Council. Councillors felt that his experience would add value to the Council, to the benefit of residents, and he was co-opted and completed the following forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register of Members' Interests to be sent to the Monitoring Officer at Daventry District Council (DDC);</li> <li>• GDPR Security Compliance checklist;</li> <li>• Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Undertaking of Compliance with the Code of Conduct for members, signed in the presence of the Proper Officer to the Council.</li> </ul> <p>It was agreed to provide Cllr Willits with a council e-mail address at £35.88 plus VAT for the year.</p> |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 3.                      | <b>Requests for dispensation</b> – None.   |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 4.                      | <b>Public Participation</b> – Cllrs Brown and Amos provided updates on County and District Council matters.  |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 5.                      | <b>Apologies for absence accepted:</b> Cllrs Flounder and Wilkins - personal   |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 6.                      | <b>Members' Declarations of Interest</b> – Cllr Cooper declared an interest in item 12.  |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 7.                      | Resolved to sign the minutes of the full meeting of the Parish Council held on 10 June 2019, as a true record of proceedings.  |                         |   |                         |  |                         |         |                         |            |    |                                   |
| 8.                      | <p><b>Finance</b> – Resolved to approve the following documents which are available in the June meeting folder on <a href="http://www.everdonpc.co.uk">www.everdonpc.co.uk</a></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 5%;">1.</td> <td>Resolved to approve the June 2019 bank reconciliation. Bank balances for the 1st Quarter were as follows:</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;"> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">NatWest Current Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NatWest Reserve Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£17,176.85</td> </tr> </table> </td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>June 2019 Income and Expenditure.</td> </tr> </table>  | 1.                      | Resolved to approve the June 2019 bank reconciliation. Bank balances for the 1st Quarter were as follows: |                         | <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">NatWest Current Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NatWest Reserve Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£17,176.85</td> </tr> </table> | NatWest Current Account | £100.00 | NatWest Reserve Account | £17,176.85 | 2. | June 2019 Income and Expenditure. |
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3.	<p>Council approved the transfer of funds from reserves to be used for website maintenance and to review/effect changes necessary to comply with the Public Bodies Accessibility (website and mobile applications) (No 3) Regulations 2018.</p> <p>As the work would be done during the summer break, the Clerk was requested to obtain and circulate quotations via e-mail to councillors for prior approval.</p>																								
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8.	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>Prior approval was granted by Daventry District Council (DDC) for change of use of a building and any agricultural land within its curtilage on Fawsley Road, Everdon, from use as agricultural building to a dwelling house was granted in terms of ‘permitted development’, introduced as part of the Government’s reforms to streamline and reform the planning system.</p>																								
9.	<p><u>Correspondence</u> - Noted.</p>																								
10.	<p>Council reviewed the Northamptonshire Highways draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan (2018–2028) and were in agreement with proposals.</p>																								
11.	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>Following a meeting with Highways representatives on 26 June during which issues requiring attention, were identified. Potholes have since been marked and some, but not all, have been filled. Council will monitor progress.</p> <p>Three instances of people exceeding the speed limit were recorded during the first wave of Community Speed Watch.</p>																								
12.	<p>Council reviewed a letter received from the mowing contractor requesting prior notice of road closures/works to ensure that it does not clash with scheduled cuts.</p> <p>Council also reviewed a request from a resident to maintain the verge outside their property from July onwards, once the wildflowers have seeded. It was agreed to approach Highways for comment.</p>	KN																							
13.	<p>Councillors were requested to view DDC’s draft Everdon and Little Everdon Conservation Area Appraisals in the village hall the following day and to submit any comments directly to DDC.</p>	ALL																							
14.	<p>To receive feedback on the following meetings attended by councillors during the month:</p> <p>1. Cllrs Cooper and Osborne reported that, although the visit to Daventry Norse recycling centre on Friday 14th June was informative, waste is sorted rather</p>																								

	<p>than recycled at the centre, but that it was interesting nevertheless.</p> <p>2. The Chairman attended NCALCs West Northamptonshire Local Council Forum meeting held on 19 June 2019. The general consensus was that all opportunities for Parish Councils under the new Unitary Councils should be a priority.</p> <p>3. The Chairman reported that there were no police representatives at the Parish &amp; Town Council's meeting on 13 June. It remains a useful forum but, with DDC being replaced by a unitary authority, the December meeting is going to be the last meeting in this format and it is hoped that a similar forum will be established, post the changes. The full minutes of this meeting are in the meeting folder on <a href="http://www.everdonpc.co.uk">www.everdonpc.co.uk</a></p>	
15.	The Chairman reported that the Best Front Garden 2019 has been selected and that the prize of a £25 gardening voucher will be announced at the fete on 26 August 2019.	
16.	The Clerk reported that she had e-mailed RAF Benson, requesting that training flights be conducted at more acceptable hours. The RAF's contact details have been shared with the resident who raised the matter. Other than this, Council agreed that this is as far as their involvement in the matter would go.	
17.	Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 9 September 2019.	