## **EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council held on Monday 9 July 2018 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall, Everdon

**<u>Present</u>**: Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Ron Flounders (Vice-Chairman), Katy Barwell, Peter Cooper, Diana Evans, Shaen Linfoot, David Osborne and Keith Wilkins.

In attendance: Erica Fothergill (Clerk/RFO) and one resident.

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1.	The	The Chairman welcomed councillors and thanked them for attending.							
2.	Requests for dispensation – None.								
3.	Public Participation – None								
4.	Apologies for absence – None								
5.	Members' Declarations of Interest – None								
6.	<b>Resolved</b> to approve the minutes of the full meeting of the Parish Council, held on 11 June 2018, as a true record of proceedings.								
7.	It was agreed that, after an initial problem with high spam settings, the Parish Council e-mail system appears to be working well, but will continue to be monitored.								
8.	There were no nominations for Daventry District Council's Groundwork Community Award.								
9.	Finance - It was resolved:								
	1.	1. To approve the June 2018 bank reconciliation.							
	2.	To approve the June 2018 Receipts & Payments							
	3.	To approve outstanding payments listed below:							
		Payment	Payee	Descriptio	on	Amount £			
		Internet	Clerk		y, and expenses		431.09		
		Internet	E-On		2018/19 Street lighting mainte	nance	75.96		
		Internet	Steven Haynes	4 <sup>nd</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup>			400.00		
		Internet	HMRC		quarter 2018/19		286.00		
	Internet		Westcotec Ltd	Supply of Speed Indicator Device (SID)		3210.00			
10.	The following planning applications were considered								
	Application		Address		Details	Comments			
	DA/2018/0449		Fiddlesticks, Bethel Lane, Everdon		Single storey side extension	Not supported			
	DA/2018/0539		The Gables, High Street, Everdon		Remove 3 trees in a conservation area	Supported			
11.	The Chairman commented briefly on Daventry District Council's Parish & Town Councils meeting held on 14 June 2018 and the minutes will be circulated:								
	• Highways provided an update on their current work within difficult budget constraints. At present there is no budget for small works to highways, but they are working hard to catch up on repairs. Safety defects are picked up on								

	routine inspections and via reports from members of the public. There is no forward plan for preventative road maintenance schemes and re-surfacing at present;	
	• The police representative was unable to attend the meeting, but a policing update will be sent to all parishes;	
	• Daventry District Council (DDC) provided Community Governance consultation and Local Government Reorganisation updates. Proposals for the reorganisation are currently out for consultation and parishes and individuals were urged to respond before the deadline of 22 July 2018.	
12.	The Chairman attended a Local Government Reorganisation meeting on 3 July, which led most attendees to believe that the proposal to create two unitary authorities in the County, had already been decided by National Government and that the consultation process would have no bearing whatsoever on the outcome. It was also agreed that ClIrs Nichols, Cooper & Evans would attend another event on 14 July and provide feedback to Councillors. A briefing note to update Parishioners on the significance of the reorganisation, will be distributed throughout the village, to enable responses to be completed before the deadline. It was agreed that the Chairman would submit a formal response on behalf of the Council.	KN/ PC KN
13.	Everdon is scheduled to lose 4 grit bins, but, by requesting a swap with lesser used bins the Council will only be required to pay for the refilling of one of the bins. Full details will be posted on the website.	
	• Following the proposed reorganisation of gritting routes, the Council has requested that Weedon Road from, Snorscomb crossroads to the Weedon turn is included as part of the "Blue route" which constitutes part of the Additional Precautionary Network for gritting.	EF
14.	It was agreed to nominate the Clerk for a NALC Star Council Award.	DO
15.	It was felt that, whilst there was merit in some of the proposals contained in the 'Public Spaces Protection Order - Enhanced Dog Control Powers Consultation' received from DDC, councillors were of the opinion that some proposals were overzealous. Clerk to respond to the consultation.	EF
16.	To receive updates on the following matters:	
	• <u>Community Speed Watch Campaign</u> The additional sessions identified 17 offenders, demonstrating that it was worthwhile to continue. The aim is to recruit more volunteers for 2019.	ALL
	• The Chairman reported that many of the Highway issues identified during the Council/Highway 'walkabout' on 7 June 2018, e.g. potholes, have been rectified and that any outstanding issues will be chased at the end of July.	KN
17.	Correspondence – noted.	
18.	To resolve under the 1960 Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act to exclude the press and public, due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed in item 19 below.	
19.	Preliminary investigations into the possible purchase of a community asset have now been concluded and it was resolved to proceed to the next level.	

20. Date of next meeting – The meeting closed at 8.35pm. Unless an extraordinary meeting needs to be called in August, the next scheduled meeting of the full council will take place at 7:00pm on Monday 10th September 2018.