EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council held on Monday 11th February 2019 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall, Everdon

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

<u>In attendance</u>: Erica Fothergill (Clerk/RFO), District Councillor Johnnie Amos and 30 residents.

- 1. The Chairman welcomed Councillors and residents to the meeting. For the benefit of residents who were unable to attend the Outdoor Learning Centre's (OLC) open evening, the Chairman briefly explained the rationale for the potential acquisition, progress to date and he reiterated that there was no intention for any impact on the precept.
- 2. **Requests for dispensation** None.
- 3. **Public Participation:** District Councillor Amos provided the Council with updates on fines issued for fly tipping and the penalties for using unlicensed waste carriers to dispose of your waste. More information on checking waste carriers' credentials is available on the Council's website www.everdonpc.co.uk

Three residents spoke with regard to item 16 on the agenda. Concerns mostly centered around the fact that discussions had not been held in the public domain and the possible impact on the precept, both of which had been covered by the Chairman in his welcome statement.

- 4. **Apologies** approved: Cllr. Barwell for personal reasons and Cllr. Evans for a work commitment. County Cllr. Brown who was also unable to attend.
- 5. **Members' Declarations of Interest** None.
- 6. **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the full meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th January 2019, as a true record of proceedings.

7. Finance

- 1. The January 2019 bank reconciliation was reviewed and approved.
- 2. The January 2019 Receipts & Payments were reviewed and approved.
- 3. The Financial Control and Internal Audit Procedure was reviewed and approved.
- 4. The clerk's request to attend a presentation by Came & Company on risk management, asset registers and insured items was approved.
- 5. Northamptonshire Highways' indemnity against any claim in respect of injury damage or loss arising out of the execution of grass cutting, was approved.
- 6. The following payments were approved:

Payment	Payee	Description	Amount £
Internet	Clerk	January salary and expenses, incl. stationery	426.02
Internet	Daventry Norse Ltd	Supply & installation of dog waste bin	182.37
Internet	Village Hall	VDS Meeting on 29/01/19	10.00

8.	Correspondence: Noted		
9.	Residents were invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm on 8 April 20 which would include an update and further discussions on the OLC.		
10.	Councillor Flounders reported that work on the Village Design Statement is progressing well and that a display will be exhibited in due course, in the church for residents' inspection and comment.		
11.	The following updates were received with regard to outstanding Highways issues and further actions agreed:		
	Outstanding Highways repairs		
	The outstanding repairs have not been carried out yet and it was agreed to chase Highways, for an update.	KN	
	Inconsiderate parking in the vicinity of The Plough		
	The Council will continue to monitor the situation and will issue windscreen notices as appropriate.	ALL	
	Road sweeping arrangements		
	The Chairman reported that he had been in contact with Daventry District Council to request prior notification of road sweeping so that arrangements can be made for cars to park elsewhere on the day. Unfortunately road sweeping took place a couple of days afterwards, before arrangements were finalised.		
12.	The Chairman advised that as no material waste is sorted at Daventry, the nearest Daventry Norse recycling and sorting centre is in Waterbeach. Councillors were advised to let the Clerk know if they are interested in visiting that centre.	ALL	
13.	The MP's request to attend a coffee morning in the village was considered and it was agreed to obtain some dates/times in order to gauge interest.	KN	
14.	It was agreed to continue with the 'Best Front Garden Award' in 2019, along the same lines as last year. District Councillor Amos has again agreed to judge the competition. Publicity will follow in due course.	KN	
15.	Although there has been an improvement since installation of the two Speed Indicator devices (SID) in 2018, it was agreed to continue participating in Community Speed Watch scheme. Sessions will take place in May, June and September 2019. Four new residents have volunteered to assist and will undergo training on 15 June. The Chairman appealed to all residents to volunteer for the scheme, as a minimum of three volunteers are required per session.		
16.	It was RESOLVED to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government for permission to apply for a loan from the Public Works and Loan Board for the possible purchase of the OLC, on the basis that there is no intention to impact upon the precept. Until permission is received, an official application for funding cannot be made.		
	It was further RESOLVED to obtain quotations for financial and legal due diligence, a full structural survey and the cost of insuring for loss of rent and to deliver the first in a series of updates to all Parishioners, on progress with OLC, by 15 th February.		

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17. Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 11 March 2019. There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7.30pm