

EVERDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Everdon Parish Council
held on Monday 13 February 2017 at 6:15pm
in the Village Hall, Everdon

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

In attendance: Erica Fothergill (Clerk/RFO) and David Smith (District Councillor)

1. **Welcome**
The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
2. **Requests for dispensation** – None
3. **Public Participation** – The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow a Parishioner to discuss one of the planning applications, under item 9. The meeting was restarted at 6:20pm.
4. **Apologies for absence** – None
5. **Members' Declarations of Interest** - None
6. **Resolved** to sign the minutes of the statutory meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th January 2017 as a true record of proceedings.
7. **Finance**

1	Resolved to approve the January 2017 bank reconciliation.			
2	Resolved to approve the January 2017 Income and Expenditure.			
3	The Financial Control and Internal Audit Procedure was reviewed and approved.			
5	Resolved to approve payment of outstanding accounts below:			
Payment	Payee	Description	VAT incl.	Amount £
Internet	E-On	Electricity, 3 rd quarter	8.62	181.05
Internet	Clerk	January salary		318.48
Internet	Clerk	January expenses incl. stationery	19.17	146.60
Internet	Image IT	A2 colour signs	22.40	134.40
Chq 1263	Village Hall	Village hall hire, 2017 Meetings		110.00
8. **Correspondence** – Noted.
9. **Planning Applications**

Application	Address	Details	Comment
DA-2016-1199	The Cottage & Warwick Cote, The Green, Everdon	Demolition of existing garage and single storey lean-to and erection of two storey extension to Warwick Cote. Conversion of existing garage, construction of replacement garage, driveway and single storey extension to The Cottage. Alterations to boundaries and site layout.	Supported, although it appears to be an over-development of the site.

Planning Applications – Cont.			
DA/2016/1173	The Gables Newnham Road Everdon	Demolition of existing utility room. Construction of single storey extension.	Strongly supported
DA/2016/1174		Listed Building Consent for demolition of existing utility room. Construction of single storey extension.	Supported
DA/2017/0016	Everdon Stubbs Wood, Farthing- stone Rd, Everdon	Work to, including removal of, trees subject to Tree Preservation Order DA 123	Supported
DA/2017/0097	Ash Tree House, Stubbs Road, Everdon	Works to trees within a conservation area	Supported
10.	The following meeting date changes were approved and the Clerk was requested to issue a revised meeting schedule.		
	Month	Current Date	Proposed Date
	April	Mon. 10 th	Tue. 11 th
	May	Mon. 8 th	Mon. 15 th
			Time
			6pm, followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm
			7pm – Annual Parish Council Meeting
11.	It was agreed to invite the dog warden as guest speaker at the Annual Parish Meeting on 11th April.		
12.	It was agreed to request the Highways' Community Enhancement Gangs' to carry out the following tasks		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning signs: 30mph signs on either side of the village as well as village name signs and the priority sign; Clear vegetation surrounding the bridge and the nearby signs; Repair the steps leading to footpath ER7 at Pigeon Gap; Gulley cleansing: along Pigeon Gap & Fawsley Road. 		
13.	It was agreed to award a £25 gardening voucher for the 'Best Front Garden' in the village. Judging will take place in May or June by District Councillor Johnnie Amos, who is a horticulturalist. The winner will be announced at the Fete.		
14.	The Parish Satisfaction Questionnaire concerning KierWSP's performance for year ending 2016 was reviewed and completed.		
15.	DDC's proposal for the Parish Council to take on litter picking duties within the village boundary was discussed and unanimously agreed to. The Clerk was requested to advise DDC and to enquire about the level of payment to be received.		
16.	Northants ACRE's request to use the village green during their 'Well for Life' event in the village hall on 15th June 2017 was discussed and agreed, but their bus will have to be parked on the road, rather than the green.		
17.	It was agreed that Cllrs Nichols, Nevill and Osborne would attend Northants ACRE's Neighbourhood Planning event at The Hunsbury Hill Centre, Northampton on Thursday 25th May 2017 from 10.15am – 3.00pm.		

18.	<p>Updates on the following Highway matters:</p> <p><u>Community Speed Watch 2017 and the “Dead Slow” posters</u></p> <p>Everdon and Preston Capes will share the monitoring equipment on alternate weeks, starting on 29th July, for a period of six weeks. The ‘Dead Slow’ posters are currently on display at strategic locations outside the village boundaries and will remain in place for limited periods, to ensure maximum effect.</p> <p>Cllr King has agreed to attend Speed Watch training on 22nd July.</p> <p><u>Overgrown hedge and garden at 1 Long Row Close</u></p> <p>Highways have advised that they will inspect the hedge during week commencing 13th February and will take any appropriate action.</p> <p><u>Effectiveness of the temporary HGV restrictive signs at the A45/Dodford Road junction</u></p> <p>These signs appear to be working as it seems that fewer lorries are visiting the village in error. It was agreed that the Chairman will contact Highways to determine any further action.</p> <p><u>Ongoing damage to the village green</u></p> <p>It was agreed for the Chairman to contact Highways, regarding vehicles blocking the service road adjacent to the village green, which is partially the cause of vehicles driving on the village green and creating damage.</p>	<p>KK/ KN</p> <p>KN</p> <p>KN</p>
19.	The Local Council Award Scheme accreditation was discussed and it was agreed to give preference to Neighbourhood Planning in the first instance.	
20.	Date of next meeting – the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7pm on Monday 13 March 2017. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed at 7:20pm.	