**Everdon Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council**

### Held on 11th October 2021 at 6:30pm in the Village Hall, High Street, Everdon.

**Present**:

Councillors: Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Shaen Linfoot, Peter Cooper, Peter Bowman, Keith Wilkins and Will Willits.

In attendance: Ruth Scott (Clerk/RFO), Unitary Councillor Rupert Frost, Tara Cooksammy - Police Community Support Officer (PCSO).

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|  | The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.  |
|  | **Requests for dispensation** - none. |
|  | Public Open Forum A member of the public spoke about Northamptonshire’s Western Front Association’s interest in holding an annual service in Everdon Church in to commemorate the ‘black day for Northamptonshire’. The aim would be to coincide with the ‘Bluebell Teas’ event. Tara Cooksammy introduced herself as the PCSO for Everdon and the surrounding area. She was not aware of any current issues. She offered to visit the village when events were held to communicate directly with parishioners. **Action:** Councillor Keith Wilkins offered to send the forthcoming ‘Coffee Morning’ dates. The Clerk will advise when the Annual Parish Meeting will be held next year.Councillor Rupert Frost provided an update on matters currently being dealt with by West Northamptonshire Council. Councillor Frost suggested that if the Parish Council wanted to ‘call-in’ planning applications they should seek the support of Unitary Councillors. |
|  | It was RESOLVED to approve the absence of Councillor David Osborne (Holiday). Councillor Flounders was absent for personal reasons. |
|  | **Declarations of Interest** – Councillor Will Willits and Councillor Keith Wilkins in respect of Item 11.  |
|  | It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 11th September 2021. |
|  | **Finance**It was RESOLVED to approve the following documents and payments: 1. September 2021 Bank reconciliation
2. September 2021 Receipts & Payments
3. Payments listed in Addendum A.
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|  | **Budget:** There were no specific projects for 2022-23, but it was decided to cost the replacement of three benches in the village, as it may not be cost effective to refurbish these items.**Action:** Councillor Nichols will check if there are any conditions itemised in the Village Conservation Area Management Plan on the provision of benches.The Clerk will look for quotes for wooden benches taking into consideration any requirements. |
|  | It was RESOLVED to pay for the replacement LED lamps from Reserve Funds. **Action**: The Clerk is to expedite the project with Aylesbury Mains.  |
|  | Councillor Linfoot, as Police Representative had attended a meeting and reported that the main objectives for the County’s police force had been identified as: reducing reoffending and youth work. The fire service was identified as the poorest funded in the country. Fires only represent about a third of their work as they are engaged in flood work, road traffic accidents etc. |
|  | **Planning:** WND/2021/0442 Description: First Floor side extensionLocations: 13 Stubbs RoadComment: The Council had no objections.WND/2021/0580Description: Work to a tree within a conservation areaLocation: Holcombe, High Street EverdonComment: The Council supported the application.  |
|  | It was RESOLVED to renew membership of the SLCC. |
|  | There was no more information on ‘The Plough’. The ‘Save the Plough’ group are meeting again on Monday 18th October. Update to be on the December agenda. |
|  | BT have agreed to refurbish the Red telephone box and it is on the schedule of works for 2022. |
|  | The Privacy Policy was reviewed and approved. |
|  | As the village now has Speed Indicator signs it was RESOLVED not to participate in the 2022 Community Speed Watch campaign. |
|  | It was agreed to form a committee with representatives from the Parish Council, Parochial Church Council, Outdoor Learning Centre and the Village Hall Management Committee to decide on the village’s celebrations for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee 2022. Suggestions were: a party on the village green and a concert. Councillors Kevin Nichols and Keith Wilkins offered to represent the Parish Council on the committee.**Action:** Councillor Nichols will approach the other parties to form the committee and provide an update in December. |
|  | The Council agreed to support an annual service to commemorate WW1 memorial and display. The Council will consider providing a commemorative bench to either replace the one outside The Plough, or, to be placed within the church grounds.**Action:** The Clerk is to obtain quotes. |
|  | Councillors Nichols and Willits attended the 74th NCALC AGM on 2nd October and fed back on proceedings. Everdon Parish Council was presented as Council of the Year – along with every other council in the county. |
|  | Highways Update – there was nothing significant to report. |
|  | Correspondence was acknowledged. |
|  | Date of next meeting – The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 8th November 2021. The Finance Committee will meet at 6pm on Monday 8th November.The meeting closed at 7:50pm. |

**Addendum A: October Payments (Item7.3)**

**The payments were made using the listed Powers**

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| **Payee**  | **Amount**  | **Reason for payment**  | **Method**  | Powers |
| September Payroll  | £ 439.31 | R. Scott’s Salary and expenses | BACS  | LGA1972 s112 |
| Luke Costello  | £220.00 | Mowing Inv. 1417 | BACS  | HA1980 s96(4) |
| SLCC | £144.00 | Training: ILCA  | BACS | LGA1972 s111 |
| E Fothergill | £181.42 | Handover  | BACS | LGA1972 s112 |
| E-On | £75.96 | Streetlight maintenance Inv.107922 | BACS | Parish Council Act 1957 s3 |
| E-On | £37.52 | Streetlight repairInv.107694 | BACS | Parish Council Act 1957 s3 |

Payments approved to be paid in October

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| Payee | Amount | Reason for Payment | Method | Powers |
| Netwise  | £360 | Premium Website Hosting Oct 21-22 | BACS | LGA1972 s143 |
| HMRC | £12.89 | E. Fothergill NI August | BACS | LGA1972 S112 |
| Luke Costello  | £220.00 | Mowing Inv. 1436 | BACS  | HA1980 s96(4) |