

Everdon Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council

Held on 18th September 2023 at 6:00pm in the Village Hall, High Street Everdon.

Present:

Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Shaen Linfoot, David Osborne, Peter Cooper, Peter Bowman and Keith Wilkins.

In attendance: Ruth Scott (Clerk/RFO)

Minutes

1.	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
2.	Requests for dispensation – none.
3.	Public Open Forum – Councillor Smith attended.
4.	It was RESOLVED to approve the absence of Councillors Flounders and Willets.
5.	Declarations of Interest – None.
6.	It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 10 th July 2023.
7.	Finance: It was RESOLVED to approve the following: 1. July and August 2023 Bank reconciliation. 2. July and August 2023 Receipts & Payments. 3. Payments listed in Addendum A below and to Netwise (Annual Website) £396.00
8.	It was RESOLVED to open a bank account with Unity Trust Bank from November with all Councillors as signatories. We will operate Nat West and Unity in tandem to ensure a smooth transition. The Council will review the operation in January and then decide if they want to close the Nat West accounts.
9.	To help plan the Parish Council's budget for 2024-25 it was suggested the following projects are considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undertaking weed control twice a year.• Painting the scaffold posts on Well Lane.• Re-varnish the interior of the bus shelter. Action: Councillors to suggest to the Clerk any handymen who could undertake these tasks. Clerk to get prices ready for November Finance Committee meeting.
10.	It was RESOLVED to approve the following Policy: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Policy for dealing with unreasonable complainant behaviour.
11.	The Parish Council have commented on West Northants Council's portal on the pending Planning Applications: Planning Application WND/2023/0042 Stubbs Road 2023/5967/Full – Outdoor Learning Centre. 2023/5502 1 The Green

	2023/5957 29 Stubbs Road. It was RESOLVED to support application 2023/6879/TCA - works to trees at the Red House, High Street. NN11 3BL.
12.	Councillor Linfoot reported there is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An additional Safer Nights out bus in Kettering • There is a focus on prevention and detection of retail crime in the town centre. • Operation Voltage focusing on County Lines and associated crimes has resulted in seizure of funds and several arrests. • An increase in rogue traders going door to door in the area.
13.	It was RESOLVED not to change any of the parish details for the Community Governance Review but to continue to monitor the review in case adjacent parishes wanted to change.
14.	Highways have jetted the drains on the Fawsley Road, however the grips to divert the water that were discussed during Kier's site visit have not been installed. Action: The Clerk is to write to Highways to see if they can write to the adjacent landowners and ask them to clear the vegetation and enquire why the grips were not installed.
15.	The Village Hall committee has successfully undertaken some work on the exterior of the Hall to improve the appearance including removing ivy, installing a planter and a hanging basket.
16.	Councillors Nichols and Osborne will attend the NCALC AGM and report back the next meeting.
17.	Correspondence: Preparedness for emergencies – it was decided an Emergency Plan was not required for the village.
18.	The meeting closed at 6.50pm. The next Full Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 9 th October 2023.

Addendum A: July Payments (Item 7.3)

Payments were made using the listed powers

Payee	Amount	Reason for Payment	Method	Powers
July Payroll and Expenses	£483.00	R. Scott's Salary and expenses	BACS	LGA1972 s112
Luke Costello	£264.00	Mowing Inv. 397	BACS	HA1980 s96 (4)
Npower	£102.00	Electricity 1.4.2023-30.6.2023	BACS	Parish Council Act 1957 s3
Westcotec	£174.00	Repair and Carriage of SIDs unit	BACS	Local Govt. and Rating Act 1997 s 30

Addendum A: August Payments (Item 7.3)

Payments were made using the listed powers

Payee	Amount	Reason for Payment	Method	Powers
August Payroll and Expenses	£474.00	R. Scott's Salary and expenses	BACS	LGA1972 s112

HGM (Luke Costello)	£264.00	Mowing Inv. 413	BACS	HA1980 s96 (4)
Westcotec	£84.60	Replacement SIDs battery (Top unit)	BACS	Local Govt. and Rating Act 1997 s 30
Forde and McHugh	£192.00	Replaced photocell light 16.	BACS	Parish Council Act 1957 s3

Payments for approval to be paid in September

Payee	Amount	Reason for Payment	Method	Powers
123-Reg	£43.06	Email renewal-R Scott	BACS	LGA1972 s143
HGM (Luke Costello)	£264.00	Mowing Inv. 432	BACS	HA1980 s96 (4)
Netwise	£396.00	Annual Subscription for website and maintenance	BACS	LGA1972 s143