

Everdon Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council

Held on 12th February 2024 at 6:30pm in the Village Hall, High Street Everdon.

Present:

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

In attendance: Ruth Scott (Clerk/RFO)

Minutes

1.	The Chairman welcomed attendees to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
2.	Requests for dispensation – none.
3.	Public Open Forum – None.
4.	It was RESOLVED to approve the absence of Councillor Osborne (Health).
5.	Declarations of Interest – Councillors Kevin Nichols (Chairman), Will Willits, Keith Wilkins, Peter Bowman and Peter Cooper expressed an interest in Item 12 – 2024/0559/LBC The Plough's Listed Building Consent.
6.	It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 8th January 2024.
7.	Finance: It was RESOLVED to approve the following: 1. January 2024 Bank Reconciliation. 2. January 2024 Receipts & Payments. 3. Payments in Addendum A.
8.	The Clerk explained that the majority of the Reserve Funds would be transferred to Unity Trust Bank in February and that all Direct Debits would be cancelled. The aim is to close the Nat West bank accounts by 31 st March 2024. It was agreed to present the Year End accounts at the Parish Council Meeting in May due to the timing of Easter.
9.	The Clerk updated the Council that the invoice for works carried out by Balfour Beatty and National Grid (Western Power) has not been received. The Clerk has been advised this can sometimes take up to six months. Councillor Cooper reported that the SID machine, although appearing to work initially, was damaged in the incident and is now beyond repair. The Clerk will contact Westcotec for a formal quote and add it to the insurance claim. The insurance claim cannot be processed, and therefore the lamppost replaced, until all the costs are known.
10.	It was RESOLVED to adopt the new Biodiversity policy and review it every two years.
11.	Councillor Willits is now registered as the Police Liaison Representative. He will contact our local police community officer to introduce himself. He will also put the

	Beat Bus dates on the noticeboard. He will attend the next County meeting on 4 th March.
12.	<p>The Clerk updated the Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning Application WND/2023/0042 – 20 Stubbs Road has been refused by the Planning authority. ○ Complaints have been made that an extension is being built to the rear of 1 The Green, Everdon NN11 3FF with no planning application in place and permission should be sought in a conservation area. A case has been raised with Planning Enforcement (No. ER583487097). ○ 2024/0559/LBC Listed Building Consent for The Plough – replacement joinery to windows was supported. ○ 2024/0755/TCA 8 School Lane – works to trees was supported. ○ 2024/0771/TCA 12 The High Street – removal and replacement of a tree was supported.
13.	Councillor Nichols and the Clerk reported that the Planning meeting they attended relating to CIL/S106 monies was of limited use to Everdon, but nonetheless may prove so in the future. It is clear there is still considerable work for the unitary council to unify the systems in this area and have a consistent rate for CIL and S106 monies. The next briefing is scheduled for 27 th February and will cover Northampton's Local Plan. The Clerk and Chairman will attend.
14.	Correspondence - None.
15.	The meeting closed at 7.00pm. The next full Meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 6:30pm on Monday 11th March 2024.

Addendum A: Payments

Payments paid in January (Item 7.3)

Payee	Amount	Reason for Payment	Method	Powers
January Payroll and Expenses	£519.38	R. Scott's Salary and expenses (Norton virus protection, Domain name, Minutes book).	BACS	LGA1972 s112
Yu Energy	£49.08	Streetlighting	DD	Parish Council Act 1957 s3