

Easton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Easton Parish Council held at
Easton Village Hall, Marlingford Road, Easton on
Monday 3rd December 2018 at 7.30pm

1. **Chairs welcome** **Action**

Present Peter Milliken (chair) PM
Jan Hudson (vice chair) JH
Mark Caton MCa
Mark Cordy MCo
Francis Woodcock (FW)

There were 3 members of the public present

2. **Apologies for absence:** Mike Jobling, Jonathan Bailey
3. Minutes of the meeting of 12th October 2018 and 12th November 2018 were received and approved.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda elsewhere**
A VAT refund had been processed together with part funding for the bus shelter.
5. There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation
6. **Andrew Wooltorton on behalf ESCO developments provided an update and was thanked for the latest news from the Dereham Road housing project.**
The Council were advised that Orbit Housing were now working alongside ESCO to deliver the 64 house development and due diligence with the new partner builder now having been completed. It was hoped for a final sign off for various aspects of the design eg the drainage strategy and noise abatement measures to be completed before Christmas, with final planning approval given by the very end of March 2019. There would only be minor changes to the specification of the higher cost houses. The Council approved to support the planning application that would be submitted by Orbit/ESCO (proposed, PM, seconded MCa – all in favour).
7. **Adjournment for Public Participation and questions from councillors.**
A question was asked as to how Orbit would take on board aspects of the Easton Neighbourhood Plan. It was understood that Orbit built “homes for life” with a similar philosophy to the sustainable requirements of the Plan.
A question was raised on how well Orbit would work with a community land trust managing a number of affordable houses. Orbit would be very happy for this.
8. **Food Hub update.**
The Council discussed an amelioration package discussed with Broadland DC at a meeting held at their offices on 27th November. It was reported that EPC were still awaiting details of the timescales involved, particularly for the implementation of traffic calming measures, as well as confirmation that legal fees arising from the action would be settled. At the time of the meeting no formal response had

been received from Broadland DC's legal representatives to the court action. The legal advice given to EPC was that no further decisions should be made until this response was received.

9. Parish Partnership funding application

An application would be made in the coming days for the installation of two part time 545 plate signs with flashers to help reduced the speed of traffic each way directly outside St Peter's primary Academy and Humpty Dumpty pre-school, Easton.

FW/PM

10. Easton College students community work

The Council expressed its thanks for the work undertaken by Easton College students to clean and tidy up the village over the previous two months. It was reported that they would attend the drop-in Tuesday coffee morning at the Village Hall to provide a presentation on their work. It was reported that the College would be very happy to return in the spring to continue this work and this would be supported by the Council.

FW/MJ

11. A Parish Council response to the Western Link road proposals would be postponed to the next meeting.

12. Update on plans for the major Easton 890 home housing development.

It was reported that the developer had made a request to SNDC to seek alterations to the S.106 to remove the need to provide an open book approach to to the contract in exchange for an uplift in the proportion of affordable housing stock included within the plans. It was agreed to monitor these developments to ensure that provision of the new village hall after the completion of the first 300 houses would be honoured.

13. A report from County and District Councillor Margaret Dewsbury was not available.

14. A donation request of £30 towards administration expenses for the Village Hall was waiting to be received

15. Finance Sub Committee

- i. Payments for November 2018 were approved (see separate listing).
- ii. Minutes of the meetings of 28th November would be approved at the January council meeting.

16. No correspondence was received requiring action

17. Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

Further update on developments over the court action with Broadland DC 2019/20 precept level to be agreed

An agreed Parish response on the Western Link proposals.

18. Urgent matters to be brought to the attention of the council

Councillor Chisolm tendered her resignation in writing and the Council agreed it would look to co opt a replacement councillor if possible.

FW

19. Dates to note:

Next Parish meeting: Monday 7th January 2019 at 7.30pm Easton Village Hall
The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

**F&G Committee
Nov payments**

Clerks travel	31.20
SNDC - Dog bin annual charge	960.00
J Cordy - Nov	100.00
F Woodcock - Nov	302.72
HMRC Nov	327.71
Easton Village Hall rent	49.50
Royal Courts of Justice	154.00
CILCA training fees	250.00
A Barnes- locum cover + travel	89.00
Donation - Good companions	50.00
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Total payments	<u>2314.13</u>

Signed : Peter Milliken, Chair