

Easton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Easton Parish Council held at
Easton Village Hall, Marlingford Road, Easton on
Monday 4th March 2019 at 7.30pm

1. Chairs welcome

Action

Present Peter Milliken (chair) PM
Jan Hudson (vice chair) JH
Mark Caton MCa
Mark Cordy MCo
Ian Norman (IN)
Mike Jobling MJ
Francis Woodcock (FW)

There were 8 members of the public present + DC/CC Margaret Dewsbury.

2. Apologies for absence: Cllr Jonathan Bailey

3. Minutes of the meeting of 4th March were received and approved, proposed JH, seconded MJ.

4. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda elsewhere (for information only)

Broken SAM2 machine has had its radar fixed under guarantee at no cost.

5. Declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

Payment to JH re stamps, payment to PM re taps for allotment repairs.

6. Dereham Road housing development update.

6.1 Report on progress by Esco Andrew Woollorton gave a presentation on the latest plans for the housing development which included the need for a larger open space for a lagoon to assist with rain run-off. There was a councillor question regarding any potential safety risks from the site containing a body of water, particularly after storms. The answer given was that safety was part of the consideration including the height of a bund around the lagoon and barrier planting. The pre-application planning meeting with SNDC was scheduled for the 2nd April with a view that the final planning submission date would now be the 14th June.

Adjournment for Public Participation

A member of the public raised a question on protection of the wooded boundary to the West between existing housing and the new development. It was confirmed that while this area was not part of the land under ownership, there were no plans to remove the boundary and the Chestnut trees contained within it were protected. If the land was cleared without planning approval fines would be applied.

It was resolved by the Council to grant ESCO the extend on the planning submission date to 14th June, proposed PM, seconded MCa, all in favour. Mr Wooltorton was thanked for his presentation.

6.2 Update from Easton CLT Steering Group. It was reported that a meeting by the Steering Group had been arranged with the builders, Orbit, to commence discussions on the type and number of properties the Trust might be able to purchase from the development. Worked up details on potential viable schemes would be brought to the Parish Council at a later date. Members would be arranging visits to other successful CLT's in the region to obtain useful information and advice from their experience of setting up a CLT and working with their local councils.

7. Food Hub Update

7.1. Condimentum. Updates on farming matters and the processing plant installation were given by David Martin and David Bond. It was hoped that processing would start on site in the summer of 2020. The current date for the landscaping and tree screening with poplars to take place was between November 2019 and February 2020. A future invitation was given for councillors to attend a site visit and see the development progress. The speakers were thanked for their reports.

7.2. FEZ Liaison Group meeting. A report was given on the meeting of 26th February. Concerns were raised over the capacity of the lagoon. It was determined that this had been set to withstand a 1 in 100 weather event, with an additional 40% adjustment for climate change added. There were siting issues with regard to the electrical and communication sub-stations obstructing the proposed cycle path along Church Lane. It was reported that NCC Highways department would be invited to the next meeting to seek explanations for the additional concerns raised over the proper separation of the cycle way from the road. This was stipulated within the terms of the consent order.

7.3. Traffic Regulation Order PR3972/1 – 30mph speed limit extension to Church Lane. After reviewing the traffic order the Council resolved that in the interests of safety, and particularly with the introduction new car park to be sited by St Peter's Church, the whole of the length of Church Lane should be subject to a 30mph speed limit. Proposed MJ, seconded MCa, all in favour. The clerk would feed this back to NCC

FW

8. Review of Frontier Chemicals application BDC20190022 – erection of a COMAH chemical store and distribution centre at Honingham Thorpe Fam.

The Council reviewed the application and noted its regret that it had not been consulted as there would be a cumulative effect of additional traffic on the roads in the Parish from the development. Marlingford and Colton Parish Council were seeking to obtain sight of the Risk assessment and safety plan for the new store

from Broadland DC, as this had not been made available. The Council resolved to add its support to this request and to seek answers to questions raised on the anticipated traffic numbers and types of chemicals to be stored. Proposed PM, seconded MJ, all in favour. **PM**

9. Adjournment for public participation.

A member of the public noted the continued problems with the grass verges being eroded along Church Lane at the Easton end being by lorries passing as they gained access to the FEZ.

A member of the public raised the issue of the dog waste bins over-flowing due to collections not being made.

10. Review of Planning Application 2019/0457.

The application was reviewed and the Council raised no objections. Proposed PM, seconded MCa. Clerk to respond. **FW**

11. Car selling from grass verges in the village.

A discussion confirmed that if a resident advertised a car for sale on their land then this was not illegal.

12. Report from DC/CC Margaret Dewsbury.

It was reported that the District councils would operate a cabinet system of government from May 2019. It was communicated that the infrastructure was now in place to support a 91% broadband coverage for Norfolk, with SNDC at 94%. It was reported that NCC would be joining a SNDC initiative against fly tipping.

13. Finance Sub Committee

- i. Payments for February 2018 were presented (see separate listing). Additional payments of £85 and £21.15 for the allotment tap repair and a deposit to the Solicitors for Easton CLT of £500 (to be refunded) were also presented.
- ii. Minutes from the Finance & Governance meeting of 20th February 2019 were reviewed.
- iii. The grass cuttings maintenance contract for 2019/20 was awarded to CGM. Proposed PM, seconded JH. CGM to be contacted. **FW**
- iv. After discussion on alternatives, a figure of £1,380 + VAT to replace 6 light fittings with LED lights from Westcotech in College Heights was approved, subject to a review of the specification by MCa provided by PM, proposed JH, seconded MJ, all in favour. **PM/MCa**

14. There was no correspondence received requiring action

15. Agenda items for the next Parish meetings

Update on Frontier Chemicals Distribution store planning application.

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

Eason Gym had reported their bin illegally used for dog waste. Due to this and reports that the dog waste bins were overfull and not being emptied, Clerk to contact SNDC to ensure service is being provided. Comment also to be made on the correct use of dog bins within the next issue of Grapevine. **FW**

17. Dates to note:

Next Finance + Governance committee meeting Monday 18th March 2019,
7.30pm at the Village Hall

Combined Annual Parish Meeting and Council meeting, 1st April 2019, from
7.00pm, both at Easton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Feb-19 expenses

clerks expenses	37.95
J Cordy - feb	100.00
F Woodcock - feb	499.63
HMRC - feb	130.80
postage - allotments JH	6.96
Repay Marlingford + Colton PC (legal cost contribution)	200.00
Total payments	<u>975.34</u>

Signed : Peter Milliken, Chair