

Easton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Easton Parish Council held at
Easton Village Hall, Marlingford Road, Easton on
Monday 2nd September 2019 at 7.30pm

1. Chairs welcome

Action

Present Peter Milliken PM Mike Jobling MJ
 Jan Hudson JH Mike Bowman MB
 Mark Caton MCa Gillian Landles GL
 Francis Woodcock - clerk (FW)
 There were 4 members of the public present

Apologies for absence Mark Cordy MCo, Ian Norman IN

2. There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.

3. Co-option of new councillors.

David Lewis was co-opted onto the Council – proposed PM, seconded MCa, agreed unanimously.

4. The minutes of the meeting of 5th August 2019 were approved – proposed Mca, seconded JH, agreed unanimously.

5. Matters arising from the previous minutes not on the agenda elsewhere (for information only):

July 2019 minutes Item 8: Easton & Otley amalgamation. The Council agreed to invite representatives from Norfolk City College to a council meeting to discuss its future plans. The comment was made that any monies from the sale of Easton College land for housing should go back into an investment into the local college.

PM

6. A presentation was given by Tim Vincent from NCC Highways regarding changes to the joint roundabout scheme at the Sainsburys junction with Dereham Road. Work to the interchange which was planned in 2013 and part of a condition of Lodge Farm Phase 2 – SNC Planning Ref: 2013/0567 is planned to start at the end of October. Members of the Parish Council raised concerns on the impact of this project on the residents of Easton especially those using the park and ride service to the Hospital and the UEA. The planned “teardrop” roundabout on the first Showground roundabout will mean anyone wanting to travel to the park and ride from Easton will have to first head over the bridge around the second Sainsburys roundabout and back on themselves to get to their destination. This will increase traffic flow on an already heavily congested interchange.

Tim Vincent agreed to leave detailed plans of the scheme to be mounted on the display boards inside Easton Village Hall. **FW**
Tim was thanked for his presentation.

Adjournment for public participation

A member of the public raised the issue of damage inflicted on the trod along the Dereham Road where the Food Enterprise Park electrical cable was being laid and the destruction to hedgerows. It was reported by the Council that there was a legal liability on the contractor to ensure that any damage would be made good.

- 7. Food Hub update** For information: work was underway along Church Lane to build up a bank as a barrier between the road and the trod. Buildings on the Food Enterprise Park were being constructed. Minutes from the latest Food Hub Liaison meeting taking place on Wednesday 16th September 2019 at Broadland DC offices will be posted in due course on the Parish website to view. Representatives from Condimentum would be invited to a later meeting to provide more details. **PM**

It was agreed that the Chair acting on behalf of Parish Council and in consultation continues to take all necessary action to protect the sale of our land on Dereham Road following the criminal trespass that occurred in the laying of electrical ducting. proposed PM, seconded MCa, agreed unanimously.

8. No CLT update was given this month

9. Broadband scheme for Easton

It was reported that a scheme to install full fibre broadband across the village is available if a 30% commitment by residents for a 2 year sign up could be obtained. The Council agreed to receive and review more detailed proposals at a later date. **PM**

10. Planning Issues

10.1 Planning application 2019/1940 – Diocesan House 2 storey annexe. For information. A decision would be received at the end of September.

10.2 2019/1636 Tree Works Specification, Easton House, 107 Dereham Road. A report was presented to the Council on proposed tree works. Easton Parish Council approved the application and would submit a response for the stated works to the 14 trees proposed, with the proviso that a return visit be scheduled to impact the finished project. Proposed MB, seconded MH, all in favour. **FW**

11. There was no report given by District and County councillor Margaret Dewsbury.

12. Finance Sub Committee

- i. The financial position was reviewed with a schedule of year end reserves that identified total funds of £51,816 and a General Fund balance of £11,207
- ii. A schedule of August payments were received -see below.
- iii. In conclusion of the 2018/19 audit it was reported that external auditors had completed their limited assurance review of the parish finances.

13. Correspondence received requiring action

Complaints had been received by residents of the long traffic delays at the Sainsburys roundabout at the commencement of the festival. Also regarding the large number of abandoned supermarket trolleys remaining on the Showground site after the event. However there had been complaints over noise. The Council understood that Adrian Nicholls from South Norfolk DC would be providing a debrief on the event as a whole with representatives from the Showground. The Council stated that it would like to invite the showground representatives to a council meeting before next year's event.

14. Agenda items for forthcoming Parish meetings

- Key issues for lower Easton
- Invitation to Condimentum to provide a Food Enterprise Park update

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

The road markings at the school would need to be reinstated but this scheduled for mid/late September.

A reduced bus service was being planned for Easton College which would likely result in the potential overcrowding on the X1 service.

16. Dates to note:

Finance + Governance Committee 18th September 2019, Easton Village Hall
7.30pm
Easton Council meeting, 7th October 2019, 7.30pm, Easton Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

August payments

Easton CLT - Clothes2Order promotional T-shirts	81.29
Clerks travel and phone	28.10
F Woodcock Aug	619.22
J Cordy - Aug	100.00
Westcotec - bus shelter repairs	360.00
NALC subscription fees	289.62
CGM - July	512.63
Total payments	<u>1,990.86</u>

Signed : Peter Milliken, Chair