

Minutes of the Eckington Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 6th November 2018 at 7pm in the Civic Centre Eckington

Attendance

Councillors- J Austen, E Fisher, C Gare, C Harper, J Kenyon, L Kirton J Ridgway and C Tite (A Dye and C Renwick arrived at 7.15pm)

Others- M Gazur (RFO), R Bullimore (Clerk), R Hill (Assistant Clerk) 3 members of public

18/782 Apologies for absence

K Deffley work, C Hunt family issue and B attending a different meeting.

18/783 To Receive Declaration of Members Interest

Councillors Austen, Kirton, Renwick, J Ridgway and Tite declared a personal interest in Minute No 811 Planning they stayed in the room whilst the item was discussed.

18/784 Members of the Public

The Chair presented a grant award to the Leader and some of the Guides of the 209th Ridgeway Guides, awarded from the Parish Community Grant scheme.

The Chair presented cheques to the winners of the Calendar Competition. The overall winner of the competition is to donate the £50 prize fund to Bluebell Wood charity.

A representative from Eckington Town Team reported on the events they were holding to mark Centenary of the end of World War I and gave details of the Christmas Market.

District Councillor Jacquie Ridgway informed Members that a special service is to be held at the District Council Offices on the 19th December. A veteran will receive the French Legionnaires medal to thank him for his services during the World War.

No police figures available

18/785 Minutes of a Parish Council held 2nd October 2018

RESOLVED Minutes 18/759 – 18/781 of a Council Meeting held 2 October 2018 received and approved

The Chair duly signed minutes.

18/786 Minutes of a Communications meeting held 3 October 2018.

RESOLVED Minutes 01/18 – 15/18 of a Communications meeting held 3 October 2018 received and recommendations adopted.

- 18/787 Minutes of an Open Spaces meeting held 4 October 2018.
Minutes 25/18 –37/18 of an Open Spaces meeting held 4 October 2018 received and recommendations adopted. RESOLVED to arrange for the damaged dog bin at Ridgeway to be replaced with a litter bin, which can be used for both litter and dog faeces.
- 18788 Minutes of a Community Hall & Premises meeting held 18 October 2018.
Minutes 93/18 – 99/18 of a Community Hall & Premises meeting held 18 October 2018 received and recommendations adopted.
- 18/789 Funding
RESOLVED to note the Clerks funding report.
- 18/790 Marketing report
RESOLVED to note the assistant clerks marketing report.
- 18/791 Councillor Vacancy
REOLVED to note due to non-attendance within a six-month period Ellen Charlesworth ceases to be a Councillor. The vacancy will be advertised but as it's within the six-month period of the next ordinary elections then no election/co-option will take place and seat will remain vacant.
- 18/792 Contact Details for the Parish Council Website
Members were asked to confirm what details they want to have on the Parish Council website. RESOLVED Members to check that their contact details and Declarations of Interest are up to date.
- 18/793 Communications Committee
RESOLVED to appoint two additional Members Councillors Kenyon and Fisher on to the Communications Committee. The meeting day to be changed to Friday.
- 18/794 Parish Council Noticeboards
Members discussed what information should be published on the Parish Noticeboards RESOLVED to agree for Councillor and Office Staff contact details, meeting dates, Parish Council website and social media details and information of how to contact the Council. Space will be made available for information about other local groups, however Council information will take priority.

- 18/795 St Peters and St Paul's Christmas Tree Festival
RESOLVED to take part in St Peter and St Paul's Christmas Tree Festival. The Christmas trees will be on display between 11th and 16th December.
- 18/796 Bromehead Trust Constitution
When the charity was formed in 1929 the Parish Council was appointed as trustees. It is disappointing to see that the Bromehead Trust have changed their constitution so that the trustees appoint the trustees. Members would have thought that the trustees would have discussed the amendment with the Parish Council before it was changed RESOLVED Clerk to write to the charity to ask them to reconsider the changes and to ask if one or two Councillors could be representatives on the charity.
Councillor Fisher commented that it was not clear who could apply to the charity for funding.
- 18/797 Grit Bins
Members considered a request for grit bin to be placed on the Wynd at Renishaw RESOLVED Councillor Jacquie Ridgway to check if the grit bin would meet the Council's criteria and to find out where the nearest grit bin is. The Grit Bin policy is to be reviewed.
- 18/798 Bench for the Cemetery
Members considered a request for a bench to be placed in the cemetery on the new section RESOLVED each application is considered on merit this application is approved. A plan is to be created identifying where any new benches can be placed. The policy is to be reviewed.
- 18/799 Damage to Pavement
RESOLVED to note a resident's letter regarding the problems that occurred when the Highways department carried out repairs to the pavement at High Street, Eckington.
- 18/800 SLCC 44th National Conference Report
RESOLVED to note the Clerks report on the SLCC 44th National Conference.
- 18/801 Public Liability Insurance
Members considered a report on other Council's policy regarding Public Liability insurance and advice form DALC RESOLVED Clerk to find out which traders and community groups have insurance.

- 18/802 District, Town and Parish Council Conference held 19th October 2018
RESOLVED to note Councillor Austen's report of the District, Town and Parish Council conference held 19 October 2018.
- 18/803 Meeting with Over 60's Community Group
Clerk reported on a meeting she and Councillor Hunt held with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Over 60's Group. The meeting was to discuss ways to make the Civic Centre more sustainable RESOLVED to accept the suggestions from the group of a slight increase in the food and the hourly room hire. The group also agreed to use the Bluebell Suite for the evening bingo sessions if the main hall was needed by someone else.
- 18/804 Marsh Lane Community Hall
Members considered a complaint about the hire of Marsh Lane Community Hall. RESOLVED the Chair, Clerk, Councillor Dye and Chair of the Community Hall Premises to meet with the Chair of Marsh Lane Community Hall Management Committee to discuss what was in the letter.
- 18/805 Staff Resignation
The recently appointed Civic Centre Manger/Cook has resigned due to personal reasons. The assistant Cook has taken on the responsibility for the foreseeable future RESOLVED a meeting of the Staff Working Party to be arranged to discuss what action is to be taken.
Members thanked the staff for taking on the extra responsibilities.
- 18/806 Items for information
RESOLVED to note the October items for information were made available.
- 18/807 Cemetery report
There have been 4 new memorials and 1 new grave.
- 18/808 Market Report
RESOLVED to note Market attendance figures;
Week ending 21st no market due to rain
Week ending 28th 5 stalls
Week ending 5th October 6 stalls
Week ending 12th October no market due to high winds
Week ending 19th October 6 stalls

18/809 Finance

RESOLVED to approve:

- a) October 2018 Account/Bank reconciliation figures.
- b) October 2018 Accounts Overview.
- c) To note cheque/Bacs payments since the last meeting.
- d) Budget Summary.
- e) October 2018 Internal Audit carried out by Councillors Hunt and B Ridgway.
- f) Cemetery Management Accounts
- g) Civic Centre Management Accounts
- h) The interim internal audit was carried out on the 3rd October 2018 the books and records were found to be well maintained and accurate.

18/810 Suspension of Standing Orders

RESOLVED to suspend standing orders and continue with the meeting

18/811 Planning

RESOLVED to note the Planning applications received
2nd October 2018 – 6th November 2018.

RESOLVED to note the Planning decisions received
2nd October 2018 – 6th November 2018.

18/00985/FL application to provide increased parking provision
Eckington Swimming Pool Gosber Street Eckington RESOLVED to
support the application for increased parking spaces on condition that
the new parking spaces are reserved for users of the leisure centre
during opening times, limiting the parking time to 3 hours. Clerk to ask
for a meeting with the County, District and Parish Council to discuss
parking.

RESOLVED to note BBEST* Neighbourhood Planning Forum,
Sheffield public consultation is available for comments.

The Duke of York public house, Eckington is for sale RESOLVED
Councillors Fisher, Keyon and Renwick to start the process for an
Asset of Community Value.