

Minutes of the Eckington Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd October 2017 at 7pm in the Civic Centre Eckington

Attendance

Councillors: - B Ridgway (Chair); J Austen; S Beecher; K Deffley; A Dye; E Fisher; C Gare; C Harper; L Kirton and J Ridgway.

Others: R Bullimore (Clerk) M Gazur (RFO) Rosanna Hill (Assistant Clerk)
1 member of the police and 1 member of the Multi Agency Team.
1 member of the public arrived at 8.30pm

17/454 Apologies for Absence
RESOLVED apologies received from Councillors Tite (Work) Hunt and Renwick.

17/455 Declaration of Members Interest

Councillors Austen, B Ridgway and J Ridgway declared a personal interest in Minute No 461 retaining of the Housing Office in Eckington and Minute No 475 Planning. Councillor Gare declared a personal interest in Minute No 464 out of hours Cemetery access. Councillor Kirton declared a personal interest in Minute No 461 retaining of the Housing Office at Eckington.

17 /456 Members of the Public
The Council welcomed the recently appointed Assistant Clerk Rosanna Hill to the Council.

Councillor Fisher asked members to support the setup of a sensitive project which will aim to provide advice and support to local people.

A member of the public raised concerns about the number of young people congregating near the Civic Centre. He is concerned about noise, litter and vandalism. The Police agreed to increase their presence in the area. Civic Staff will be asked to report all issues to 101. Councillors to see if any alterations could be made to deter the young people from congregating in the area near the fire door at the Civic Centre that faces Market Street.

The police reported on the crime figures for September 2017.

Councillors were issued with an evaluation report following the summer diversion activities for children aged eleven and above carried out in the Parish during August where the Council had contributed to the costs.

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RESOLVED to approve Minutes 17/432 – 17/453 of a Parish Council Meeting held 5th September 2017.

The Chair duly signed the Minutes.

17/458 Funding
RESOLVED to note the Clerks report on funding applications.

- 17/459 Marketing and Events
RESOLVED to note the Clerks Marketing & Events report.
- 17/460 Councillor Vacancy
There is one vacancy on the Council due to the resignation of Councillor Roberts. The Council would like to wish him well and thank him for the work he has carried out in the parish. Councillor Brian Ridgway to write an article on the work he has carried out during his term of office for inclusion in the newsletter. RESOLVED Clerk to start the democratic process to advertise the vacancy.
- 17/461 District, Town and Parish Council 5th September 2017
RESOLVED to note a report on the District, Town and Parish Council conference held 5th September 2017.
- 17/462 Eckington Area Housing Office
Members were asked for support with keeping the area housing office in Eckington RESOLVED Clerk to write to the Managing Director at Rykneld Homes to ask for details of the proposed closure.
- 17/463 St Peter's & St Paul's Christmas Tree Festival
RESOLVED to note Members agreed to participate in St Peter's & St Paul's Church Christmas Tree Festival.
- 17/464 Donation of Public Artwork
The Council were asked to consider ideas for the design of a piece of public artwork to be sited on the proposed Aldi Supermarket site RESOLVED to include an article in the next newsletter and to ask residents for their suggestions.
- 17/465 Cemetery Access
RESOLVED authorisation granted to issue a key for the gates to the cemetery to a volunteer with the British Trust for Ornithology to enable them to access the cemetery out of hours.
- 17/466 Lee Rowley MP
RESOLVED Clerk to continue to liaise with Lee Rowley MP for North East Derbyshire to arrange a suitable date for a meeting with the Council.
- 17/467 Road Traffic Regulation Order B6388
RESOLVED the Council approve with the traffic regulation order B6388 at High Lane Main Road/Ridgeway Moor/Ford Lane at Ridgeway, Ridgeway Moor and Ford. (To consolidate all speed limits and traffic regulation orders).
- 17/468 Road Traffic Regulation Order B6056
RESOLVED the Council approve with the traffic regulation order B6056 at Main Road, Marsh Lane. (To reduce the speed limit to 40mph for a distance of 350 meters on the approach from Dronfield to the existing 30mph speed limit).
- 17/469 Ford Picnic Area
The District Council are happy in principal to work in partnership with Eckington Parish Council's proposal to improve the picnic area at Ford, Ridgeway RESOLVED Clerk to work with Councillors Austen, Dye, Gare and Fisher to move the project forward.

- 17/470 Cemetery House
The Council considered a request from a local group. RESOLVED Clerk to negotiate terms and conditions.
- 17/471 Team Building Initiative
RESOLVED to provide £500 towards the cost of a team building social evening for members of staff.
- 17/472 Items for Information
RESOLVED to note the September items for information were made available.
- 17/473 Cemetery
RESOLVED to note the Clerks Cemetery Report.
- RESOLVED to note the Clerk reported that there were 10 new graves and 8 new Memorials.
- RESOLVED to defer the purchase of additional plants for cemetery until it has been costed out by the Open Spaces Committee.
- 17/474 Market Attendance
RESOLVED to note Market attendance figures;
Week ending 1st September – 3
Week ending 8th September - 4
Week ending 15th September - 4
Week ending 22nd September – 4
- Clerk to find out the details of the Market Charter.
- 17/475 Finance
RESOLVED to approve:
- a) July and August 2017 Account/Bank reconciliation figures.
 - b) July and August 2017 Receipts/Payment Schedule.
 - c) July and August 2017 Accounts Overview.
 - d) Payments by cheque since the last meeting.
 - e) Cash Flow Projection.
 - f) Budget Summary.
 - h) July 2017 Internal Audit, carried out by Councillors Hunt & Marsh.
August Internal Audit, carried out by Councillors Hunt and Brian Ridgway.
 - i) To note the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2017.
 - j) To acknowledge that there were no matters raised by the external auditors.
- 17/476 Planning
RESOLVED to note the Planning applications received 29th August 2017 – 3rd October 2017.
- RESOLVED to note the Planning decisions received 29th August 2017 – 3rd October 2017.

17/00818/FL Application for 3 detached dwellings at Pentecostal Church, Chestnut Avenue, Eckington RESOLVED to object on the grounds of limited access, inadequate access and noise.

RESOLVED to note the Scotland Government has banned Fracking.