

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eckington Parish Council held on Tuesday 2nd
December 2014 at 7pm in the Civic Centre Eckington.**

Attendance Councillors:- B. Ridgway(Chair); J. Woodruff (Vice Chair)
J.S. Ridgway; J. Austen; K. Deffley; C.A. Gare; D.Ridley;
C. Hunt; A.S.Dye;
Others:- P.Staniforth (Clerk); M. Gazur (RFO);
PCSO Land (Police);G. Roberts (UFI)
+ 2 members of the public

14/205 Public Participation and Speaking

- a) Mr. Thornton representing Eckington Park Organic Growers(a social enterprise growing organic fruit and vegetables) stated that he was in the process of purchasing a lot in Eckington Woods. A planning application had been submitted and he was awaiting permission prior to purchase.

He stated that walkers would be encouraged and that there would be light traffic . If successful with planning permission works would commence in January 2015.

Questions were asked regarding :- security ,footpaths, access, funding, and DEFRA Stewardship.

Mr Thorton thanked the Parish Council for its time

- b) A resident representing:-
(i) Moss valley PPG – thanked the Parish Council for the grant.
(ii) Eckington Town Team regarding Christmas present grant. The Chair explained that a grant could not be awarded as the Town Team had already been awarded a grant in this financial year.
(iii) Users of Eckington Swimming Pool asked for the Parish Council's for continued support re: Improvements to Eckington Swimming Pool, This support was reiterated.

14/206 Apologies

J.C. Marsh; C. Poxton; J. Ibbotson. C.Tite

It was agreed to grant a 6 month leave of absence due to ill-health to Councillor Ibbotson.

14/207 Variation of Order of Business

Agenda item 18(c) re:-Hanging Baskets request for funding from Ridgeway in Bloom – move to Agenda item 11(11).

14/208 Declaration of Members Interest

J. Austen, Agenda item 11(7) Assets of Community Value Ridgeway Craft Centre; Item 16 Planning; and item 13 (h) North East Derbyshire Citizens Advice Bureau .

B. Ridgway Agenda item 11(7) Assets of Community Value Ridgeway Craft Centre

J. Ridgway Agenda item 11(7) Assets of Community Value
Ridgeway Craft Centre

C. Hunt Agenda item 11(7) Assets of Community Value Ridgeway
Craft Centre ; item 16 Planning

14/209 To identify items for which the Press and Public may be excluded
Agenda Items 18(a) and 18 (b)

14/210 Police Report

PCSO James Land introduced himself as the new PCSO for
Eckington
PCSO Land advised the Meeting of the latest crime statistics.

14/211 Minutes

- a. The Minutes of the Eckington Parish Council 4th November 2014 were agreed as a true and accurate record.
- b. The Minutes of the Special Budget Meeting 20th November 2014 were received.
- c. The Draft Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee 16th October 2014 were received.

14/212 The Chair duly signed and dated the Minutes 4th November 2014

14/213 Cemetery

The burial record book was not available.

14/214 UFI

- a. Greg Roberts reported that Jane Marsh was working at Renishaw Youth Centre where the Youth Club had started.
- b. Reported the grit that was stored at the Cemetery was OK.
- c. Had received a list of residents requiring grit for the winter.
- d. The playground review-applied for grant for floodlights at the MUGA. UFI were reminded that permission for floodlights was needed from the land owners (EPC) and planning permission was needed(NEDDC).

14/215 Items for Decision and Information

- 1 Grant Aid Application from Eckington Town Team- no grant awarded as received a grant already in this financial year.
2. Grant Aid Application UFI re : Summer Festival 2015 – grant awarded £1,100.
3. Grant Aid Application – Dizzy Ducks – awarded £100
4. Letter from Ridgeway in Bloom (thankyou for grant) received.
5. E-mail from NEDDC re: Consultation event 9/12/2014 – received.
6. Letter from Derbyshire Constabulary (thankyou for grant) – rec'd
7. Letter from NEDDC re Assets of Community Value –inquire due to Declarations of Interest.
8. Letter from Everybody Hurts (Thankyou for grant) – received.

- 9 E-mail from NEDDC re Assets of Community Value –Eckington Woods – noted.
- 10. Email from C. Gare re Balsam Pulling 2014- received
- 11. Letter from Ridgeway in Bloom re hanging baskets- request to fund – agreed to fund 9 baskets for Ridgeway (to include baskets ; erection , watering and lamppost inspection.) or equivalent money to fund floral display.

J. Woodruff left the Meeting.

14/216 DALC Circulars

Councillors were reminded that DALC Circulars were available on line or could be read in the folder.

14/217 Finance

- a. Account/Bank Reconciliation September 2014 :- approved
- b. Receipts/Payments September 2014:- approved
- c. Accounts Overview:- approved
- d. Payments by Cheque since last Meeting:- approved
- e. Cash Flow Projection:-approved:- approved
- f. Budget Summary 2014//2015:- approved
- g. September accounts audited by Councillors Hunt & Pickering
- h. Grant Funding to NED Citizens Advice Bureau .
agreed CAB Funding to be highlighted separately in the budget for approval in the future.
- i Letter from Yorkshire Internal Audit Services re; Accounts 2014/0215- received.
- j. To approve Precept and Budget 2015/2016.- deferred to January 2015 meeting.

14/218 To consider any Resolutions notified by Member / Committee

No resolutions

14/219 To discuss matters notified by Members/Clerk/RFO or brought over from last Meeting

- 1. Action Log :- Council discussed the log accordingly
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- 2. Market. Figures w/e 31/10=13; w/e 7/11=5; w/e 14/11=8, w/e 21/11=11
- 3. Agreed to add the following to the Clerks delegated powers :-
“(f) The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regs. 2014 Part 4.
The Parish Council notes the requirements under the Regulations to report certain decisions taken by the Councils’ Officers. These reportable decisions fall into 3 categories:-

1. Grant a permission or license

2. Affects the rights of an individual
3. The word materially should be construed in such a manner as to confer upon the Clerk the authority to commit the Council to expenditure, as outlined within these Delegated Powers, and, as long as the expenditure is accommodated within the Council's agreed budget headings for the year, such decisions do not have to be recorded for the purpose of this Act as the expenditure is considered as not having a material effect on the finances of the Council."
4. HS2 Report from K. Deffley- received. Report requested for newsletter and suggested to incorporate HS2 into the Annual Parish Meeting Agenda and suggested to hold the meeting in Renishaw Village Hall.
5. Eckington Town Team – report from C. Gare – rec'd

Standing Orders were suspended to allow the meeting to completed

14/220 Planning –

NED 14/01111/CM Objection against original judgement goes against certainty of knowing what work is to take place
 NED 14/00979/FL – objection – over development.
 NED 14/01102/DISCON – objection – goes against original permission
 NED 14/00120/AD objection – inappropriate in an urban setting.
 Agreed to object to inappropriate tiling outside Popeyes Fish and Chip Shop Market Street Eckington

14/221 To resolve to exclude the Press and Public due to the confidential Nature of the business to be resolved
 Agreed

14/222 To discuss any item(s) for which the Press and Public have been Excluded

- a. Eckington Woods :- Agreed to hold a meeting of all Councillors to discuss the way forward .
 The Meeting to take place early in January 2015 to identify which parts of the Woods to be included in an asset of Community Value Application.
- b. Following an unsolicited approach to purchase 34 Church Street Eckington it was agreed to sell the property providing certain criteria set by Eckington PC are met.

Meeting closed at 9-58pm