

Minutes of the Meeting of Eckington Parish Council held on Tuesday 1st September 2015 at 7pm in the Civic Centre Eckington

Attendance

Councillors:- B. Ridgway (Chair); C.A. Gare (Vice–Chair) J. Austen; S. Beecher; E. Charlesworth ;K. Deffley; C. Harper; J.S. Ridgway; C. Tite;

Others:- P.Staniforth; M. Gazur(RFO).

+ 1 members of the public

15/149 Public Participation and Speaking

a. A representative of Moss Valley Medical Practice stated that there was a new acting Practice Manager (Sue Airies)

b. The same person representing Eckington Town Team distributed literature advertising the Eckington Show.

15/150 Apologies for Absence.

J. Woodruff; J Ibbotson; A.S. Dye

15/151 Variation of Order of Business

It was agreed to move Agenda Item 14 to Agenda Item 15 after item15 (9).

15/152 Declaration of Members Interests

Members were reminded to declare any interest in the book or at the point on the agenda.

15/153 Police Report

In the absence of a police representative the Chair read out the emailed Police Report.

1. Letter from Police and Crime Commissioner re: attendance at Council Meetings.- received.
2. E-mail from Sgt Stones – attendance at Council Meetings- received
3. Email from Sgt Stones re speed cameras – agreed that Clerk write to Police stating that members of the Parish Council were happy to go on site to see what is involved.
4. Email from PCSO Land re crime figures.- received.

J .Austen arrived at the meeting at 7-20pm.

15/154 Minutes

a. The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 7th July 2015 were agreed as a true and accurate record after adding that J. Austen arrived the Meeting at 8.47pm.

The Chair wished to clarify the members wishes re : Minute 15/144 Communications Group and whether it was there intentions that the 7 recommendations contained therein were agreed. It was confirmed by the Meeting that they were and the recommendation s are attached as appendix 1.

- b. The Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee 25th June 2015 were received.
- c. The minutes of the Community Halls Committee 16th July 2015 were received.
- d. The Notes of the Asset Register Meeting 6th August 2015 were received.

S Beecher was added to the attendance.

15/155 The Chair duly signed the Minutes the Parish Council Minutes of the 7th July 2015.

15/156 Cemetery

There were 5 new graves and 6 memorials

15/157 UFI

There was no UFI representative present.

15/158 Items for decision and information (White Enclosures)

1. Letter from NEDDC re: Parish Council Grounds Maintenance Consultation 2015/2016.- referred to Open Spaces Committee.
2. Letter from DCC : Application for additional street lighting. Chair to pursue application; J. Austen to pursue foliage issues
3. Email from DCC re: Community Transport . **PLEASE DOWNLOAD A COPY OR READ ON LINE** and bring your comments (if any) to the Meeting.- rec'd
4. Email from DCC re: Draft Derbyshire Cycling Consultation.- rec'd
5. Letter from Derbyshire Law Centre re: representatives to Management Committee:- C. Harper application to Committee supported.
Councillor Tite left the Meeting.
6. Email from DCC re: 20mph Speed Limits **PLEASE DOWNLOAD A COPY OR READ ON LINE** - agreed to request 20 MPH speed limit o/s all schools in the Eckington Parish and at Market Street/Station Road on the Post Office corner..
7. E-mail from DCC re:- Snow Wardens Scheme.- contact UFI regarding interest
8. Note from Derbyshire Law Centre - Volunteers _received.

15/159 DALC Circulars

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

15/160 Finance

- a. Account/Bank Reconciliation June/July 2015 – approved
- b. Receipts/Payments June/July 2015- approved
- c. Accounts Overview June July 2015- approved
- d. Payments by cheque since the last meeting - approved
- e. Cash Flow Projection- approved
- f Budget Summary 2015/2016 – approved
- g. Internal Audit June 2015 Accounts audited by Councillors Hunt and B. Ridgway
- h. Internal audit July 2015 was audited by Councillors J.S. Ridgway & K.Deffley.
- i. To receive notice of conclusion of Audit 31st March 2015 - received
- j. To acknowledge the entered additions report and agree the following resolution:-
 - 1) That the error in displaying the 'Notice of Appointment of the date for the Exercise of Electors rights be noted and the Clerk be instructed to ensure that, in future, the notice is displayed in accordance with Statute. *(Please note that under legislation which takes effect for the financial year ending 31st March 2016 it will be the RFO who has responsibility for advertising the inspection period).*
 - 2) That the external auditor's comment regarding the payment of a gratuity be noted but that it also be recognised that, in this case, the gratuity is a contractual obligation as recorded in minute number 05/218C.
 - 3) That the external auditor's observation regarding the date of signing the RFO's certification be noted and the RFO be instructed to ensure that, in future, the accounts are signed off in accordance with the practitioner's guide.

15/161 To discuss matters notified by the Members/Clerk/RFO or brought over from last meeting.

Standing Orders were suspended to allow the meeting to finish

1. Action Log – re: Town Centre £10,000 Ring Fence
It was agreed to form a working group:- S. Beecher to lead with J Ridgway; B. Ridgway; K. Deffley and A.S. Dye and report back to December 2015 Meeting.

Items to be discussed

- Memorial to famous Eckington Resident
- Memorial to Miners
- Mining Statue – a tribute to all Eckington Miners past & present.
- Living Wall
- Wrought Iron Archway
- Clock
- Where existing market stands on Friday cover over the area from the Duke to the Betting Shop.
- Market Stalls identifiable with Eckington Parish Council
- Pedestrian crossing near the Post Office.

Other Items suggested at the Summer Festival to be discussed by the Open Spaces Committee.

Agreed that the Parish Council consider holding discussions with UFI, Schools and DCC items identified under Young People and Older People List.

The rest of the Action Log was received.

2. Market :-
3rd July 2015 =7; 10th July =8; 17th July=9; 24th July =8; 31st July =9;
7th August =8
3. Filming of PC's Meetings – K. Deffley to Investigate
4. To Elect a trustee to Eckington Cams Endowed C. of E. Primary School from 31st October 2015 – K. Deffley was elected.
5. The sale of 34 Church Street Eckington;- The Clerk reported that the sale of 34 Church Street Eckington had been completed for £100,000.
6. Review Group 15/7/15 – Agreed 4 recommendations :-
(A) Receive and notes the actions of the Review Group 15/7/15
(B) Agrees that the remit of the Review Group includes oversight of the Local Councils Awards Scheme Action Plan, the Health and Safety Policy, Equal Opportunities Code of Practice, Complaints Procedure, Risk Management, Staffing Policies and Procedures, Training Statement of Intent, Employment Legislation

(C) Notes the potential slippage at in achieving LCAS accreditation at Foundation Level.
(D) Considers whether the Parish Council should undertake a review to determine the future shape of the Council.
7. The report of the District and Parish Liaison Group 15/7/2015 – received.
8. To discuss the changes to the 252 bus route. Clerk to write to SYT objecting to proposals.
9. Communications Group 19/8/15:- agreed the 4 recommendations –
(A) To receive the report of the Communications Group 19/8/15
(B) To adopt the revised Community Engagement Strategy for the period 2015/2019
(C) To adopt the ICO's Model Publication Scheme version 1.1.

(D) To discontinue Parish Councillor Surgeries.

15/162 Proposed by J. Austen Seconded by B. Ridgway

“ In order to invest in the future of Eckington through its Civic Centre the Parish undertakes a feasibility study to provide options on how the building might best serve the needs of the community. The Parish Council also asks the Community Halls and Premises Committee to lead on the project and present a scheme of work to the Parish Council Meeting on 6th October 2015.

The motion was agreed.

15/163 Planning

There were no objections raised to the application presented.
Jane Austen reported that the application to vary certain planning restrictions for the ALDI store were rejected.

15/164 To resolve to exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

Agreed to exclude the Public and Press.

15/165 To discuss any item for which the press and public have excluded.

1. E-mail from C.S. Surveying and Architectural Design Ltd. re:-
Civic Centre Proposals – referred to Community Halls & Premises
Committee 10th September 2015 in the confidential section of the
Agenda.

Meeting Closed at 10.07pm.