

**Minutes of the Meeting of Eye Parish Council in the Leeds Hall, High Street, Eye on Thursday 15th August 2024 at 7pm.
Consultation with the public until 7.10pm**

Presentation by Robert Rayner, PCC Housing Programme Officer on promoting energy efficiency and support for off gas properties

LEAP - The Local Energy Advice Service.

Our 3 rural areas are having this scheme promoted to them. This is due to concerns with fuel prices and fuel payments being reduced and is to help identify those who need assistance. The scheme is aimed at offgas properties and to reduce the carbon footprint – there are some properties in Eye but not that many. The scheme runs to the end of October and Mr Rayners job is to spread the message in the community by posters, leaflets, social media etc. Unfortunately the deadline for Eyescan has passed.

Consultation with the public until 7.10pm

The Eye Festival will hopefully take place next year and the main organiser is asking if the Lindisfarne Recreation Ground could be the venue – a larger area and more parking. This was used in previous years for similar events with a large trailer in front of the Pavilion. It would be held in July/early August and this is the usual close season for football. There will be no charge – but any damage to be paid for. The usual licences will need to be applied for.

Attendees: Ms J Edge, Mr A Goodsell, Mr A Martin, Mr A Short, Mr A Smith, Mr R Taylor, Mr G Walker and Coun S Allen

145) Apologies for Absence

Mrs D Magnus, Mrs K Mulholland and Couns M Ormston and R Ray.
Mr M Mills and Mr D Buckman - Eye Primary School.

146) Declaration of Interests

Mr S Short, Item 152, voucher 53

147) Eye Primary School

SATS results were good. Can we be notified of any proposed building work discussions. Minutes of governors meetings still not received.

148) Items for City Councillors

Coun Allen reports that PCC have now agreed to cut the hedges at Fountains Place, this is now on there autumn schedule.

Coun Ormston reports that 100 High Street is a commercial property.

He has had confirmation that S106 and CIL funding is not being amalgamated.

Meeting held at Green Road with the Ward Councillors. The Green Road verges will be cut back by Peterborough Limited. A meeting with the North Level IDB and PCC Drainage requested. All the highway drain water and drain water from surrounding homes and businesses all flow into the dyke.

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E:Mail sent to Coun Allen today from PDCC Drainage Officer – he states that this is a riparian drain and the responsibility of the landowner. North Level IDB have said they will do a not for profit repair. This email will be circulated to all members for a response.

The shrubs at the A1139 junction to be cut back. The chairman asked if the timing of the traffic lights at the large roundabout up from Van Hague be looked at again as there is an 18 second longer delay for Eye traffic than from all other directions. The bollards in the High Street are being replaced

149) Policing –

Next Police Surgery for Eye, Thorney & Newborough –
Leeds Hall, Eye on Tuesday 27th August 5-7pm. Two PC`s have confirmed attendance.

150) Speed Watch Report

The equipment has broken and is being repaired.
There must have 3 people attending each “Watch”.

151) Minutes of the meetings of 18th July 2024

Matters Arising – Not included in this agenda

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

Planning Enforcement are dealing with Gullies Barbers in the High Street having their exterior lighting pole on 24/7. The Barbers are having a new switch installed lower which makes it easier to turn off. The new signage at the Chemist has been referred to the Conservation Officer to check it is correct in the Conservation Area.

The land surrender by the Parish Council at Hodney is going through the legal process and a new agreement drawn up for the Green Road allotments. The locks have been changed and there are now two large skips on site. The 2 farmer tenants have been informed of the change.

Anglian Water have said the water doesn't need to be capped off – but members disagree.

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152) Finance

(i) Accounts for Approval of Payment

The following accounts were approved for payment.

<i>Creditor</i>	<i>Vouche Number</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Nett</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Bacs Chq No</i>
B Stanojevic	52	Wages - July	£644.07	-	£644.07	BACS
S Short	53	Wages- - July	£768.73	-	£768.73	BACS
J Fisher	54	Wages - July	£222.80	-	£222.80	BACS
Mrs B Stanojevic	55	Printer Ink	£41.72	£8.34		
		Postage	£17.60	-	£67.66	BACS
Wave	56	Water - Pavilion	£80.60	-	£80.60	BACS
SMC	57	Legionella Checks – Pavilion–June monthly check	£55.00			
		Pavilion - Risk assessments	£330.00			
		Pavilion – July monthly check & 6 month check	£445.00			
		L/Hall – June Monthly check	£55.00			
		L/Hall –July monthly check & 6 month check	£185.00	£214.00	£1,284.00	BACS
Veolia	58	Refuse - L/Hall Cemetery	£86.24			
			£67.12	£30.67	£184.03	BACS
GP Services	59	Pest Control - Pavilion	£180.00	-	£180.00	BACS
BT	60	Telephone charges	£185.02	£37.00	£222.02	DD
Mark Pinfold	61	Landscaping – Cemetery - Rec Grd	£850.00			
		- C/Yard	£370.00			
			£150.00	-	£1,370.00	BACS

Mr Smith is checking the paperwork sent through from SMC

(ii) Income and Expenditure - April to July 2024, Noted

(iii) Bank Reconciliation to 31st July 2024. Noted. Signed by Mr Goodsell

(iv) S137 Payments - None

153) Planning

Applications:

REF:24/01002/TRE Notice of tree works protected by a preservation order at Land to the side and rear of 83 Little Close, Eye, PE6 7TQ

T1- Elm – Fell and remove stump, T2- Elm – Fell and remove stump, T3 – Elm – Fell and remove stump, HG1 Cypress – Remove section of hedge group and grind stumps – (TPO 04/2012) – Woodland W001. No comments.

REF:24/00320/FUL Re-consultation on Change of use from Recording Studio and Offices to SEN School – revised plans and additional information submitted at 4 Crowland Road, Eye, PE6 7TN

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The Conservation is dealing with this application and is fully supported by the Parish Council.

The Parish Council object to the proposal because of the insufficient on-site car parking arrangements. The site is very close to the very busy roundabout/junction with the High Street, Thorney Road and Eyebury Road. This is especially busy in the mornings with school traffic trying to get to Eye Primary School in Eyebury Road. This means that vehicles should not be parked on the road outside 4 Crowland Road as this would cause further problems and be a danger to vehicles and pedestrians. The planning application shows parking for 7 staff yet the application states there could be 14. The library opposite is for their staff and visitors only and parking in the nearby High Street often poses problems for residents, visitors to St Matthews Church and for deliveries to the businesses there.

REF:24/01067/HHFUL Existing dwelling with externally applied wall insulation with render finish similar to existing building at 36 Northam Close, Eye Green, PE6 7TS for Cross keys Homes. No comments.

154) Cemetery – Report

There has been a complaint that the new ashes area does not allow enough space between the rows for families visiting their loved ones.

The original plan for the area did adhere to current guidelines. The chairman and another council member have visited the site and found it to be satisfactory.

The Chairman will meet with the complainant on site to discuss further if required.

155) Allotments – Report

The Chairman thanked the allotment committee for their work and for a very good comprehensive report. They met with 6 allotment holders that had problems with their plots – ie use of plastic long term, non-cultivation. Some to be reduced in size to make them more manageable and given to people on the waiting list – currently 7.

Request from an allotment holder to have a meeting for all allotment holders with Parish councillors to discuss the way forward etc. Agreed to arrange this in early September and then arrange for the annual skip on site. 2 packs (60 trees) of Free Trees from the Woodland Trust will be arriving in November and started off on the far end allotment – allotment holder has agreed.

156) Leeds Hall, Recreation Ground and Amenities

Leeds Hall boiler – quotation for repair or replace

The boiler was due for service last week but on attendance the engineer found that there was a high line crack in the flue, multiple leaks, collector with a spilling of combustion inside which deemed the boiler unsafe and he then capped off the gas supply to the boiler. Mr Smith attended and saw the engineer and the problems he found. The boiler is over 12 years old.

Quotes received for repair = £462, new boiler = £2,910 both prices including VAT – circulated to members. The new boiler comes with a 10 year parts and labour manufactures warranty –

Members voted unanimously to get a new boiler.

10am inspection on Monday of the Pavilion – all welcome.

157) Transport, Roads and Footpaths

Consultation on requirement for yellow lines down Crowland Road – opposite side to the bus shelter. 2 voted for, 6 against

158) Neighbourhood Plan – Report

Funding approved, which must be spent by the end of the financial year, an itemised list of expenditure required.

The survey is still running – over 100 received so far. These will be analysed at the next meeting which is on Tuesday 3rd September.

159) VE Day – 8th May 2025

We have registered for the beacon lighting at 9.30pm with the Pageant Master.

Mr Martin is reading through the paperwork – animals that assisted in the war effort are to be recognised. VE Day flag to be sourced.

160) Other Correspondence

Information notice-board near the church in disrepair and has had vulgar graffiti on it – this has been cleaned off by a resident – many thanks to him. Quote being sought for repair – could CIL funding be used?

Email from PCC – update in the Local Plan on Wednesday 11th September –

Ms Edge and Mr Martin will attend.

The new MP for Peterborough hopes to attend our October meeting.

161) Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

None

162) Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 19th September 2024

163) Meeting EDI Compliant

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