Minutes of the Meeting of Eye Parish Council In the Leeds Hall, High Street, Eye on Thursday 19th September 2024 at 7pm

Consultation with the public until 7.10pm, one present, no issues

Attendees:Ms J Edge, Mr A Goodsell, Mr A Martin, Mrs K Mulholland, Mr A Short, Mr R Taylor and Mr G Walker.

Coun Allen and Coun Ormston will be late due to a city council meeting

164) Apologies for Absence

Mr C Lester and Mr A Smith

165) Declaration of Interests

Mr A Short- Agenda item 172, voucher 63

166) Eye Primary School

No representative present.

Annual Firework display – 7th November

167) Items for City Councillors

Complaints re new shop on High Street – licence not needed to sell vapes but illegal to sell to under 18's, referred to Trading Standards.

Budget news from the City Council – they have a 14million deficit

Public consultation meetings being held – at Arthur Mellows on 24th October.

Hedge in Fountains Place been cut back – thanks to all those involved.

Floodlight timer at the skate park to be reported to Aaragon as lights not on at the right times.

Alison Development at Eyebury Road – Drainage issues called in. Public Right of Way to Thorney Road is a concern.

100 High Street is a privately owned property.

The future of Eye Youth Club still being looked into – goes before the PCC Scrutiny Committee in November.

Green Road Dyke - progress being made.

168) Policing -

Report of Police Surgery held on Tuesday 27th August 2024

Topics raised include ASB, drug use and off road bikes. Day of action followed - talking and educating road users and regular visits to the Nature Reserve

Current police priorities in our area – Vehicle nuisance in Eye

1 reported theft from a vehicle

Mr Taylor reported the latest crime statistics he could obtain which were for July – 58 crimes - which includes 19 violent crimes and 16 ASB incidents.

Darryl Preston, Police & Crime Commissioner – Annual Report now available.

169) Speed Watch Report

Equipment still being repaired.

170) Minutes of the meetings of 15th August 2024 Matters Arising – Not included in this agenda

Eye Festival – date to be confirmed and meeting will be held with the organisers on site nearer the time.

Drainage in Green Road at allotments on going.

Information Board opposite church – clerk will follow-up the quote requested. Memorial Planter for Jimmy Cocks has been agreed in principle – suggestions for siting are Lukes Lane or Eyebury Road where the large tree is to be removed. Full details of proposed planter requested ie size, colour.

171) Resignation of Parish Councillor Dawn Magnus

Thanks to Dawn for her work with the Parish Council. More members needed. Mr Taylor knows someone interested – suggested they attend our next meeting.

172) Finance

(i) The following accounts were approved for payment

Creditor	Vouch	Details	Nett	VAT	Total	Bacs/
	No					Chq
						No
B Stanojevic	62	Wages - August	£800.27	-	£800.27	BACS
S Short	63	Wages - August	£768.93	-	£768.93	BACS
J Fisher	64	Wages - August	£222.80	-	£222.80	BACS
Mrs B Stanojevic	65	Postage	£54.80	-	£54.80	
		Stationery	£23.32	£4.66	£27.98	BACS
Mark Abraham	66	L/Hall – supply & fit new				Ch No
		Valliant Ecotec Boiler	£2425.00	£485.00	£2,910.00	3948
The Payroll Site	67	Payroll – 4/10 to 3/1/2025	£19.50	£3.90	£23.40	BACS
ESPO	68	Cleaning Materials	£97.75	£19.55	£117.30	BACS
Wave	69	Water Charge	£49.36	-	£49.36	BACS
SMC	70	Legionella Checks - L Hall	£55.00			
		Pavilion	£55.00	£22.00	£132.00	BACS
Veolia	71	Refuse - Cemetery	£85.70			
		- L/Hall	£107.80	£38.70	£232.20	BACS
Mark Pinfold	72	Landscaping – C/Yard	£75.00			
		- Cemetery	£425.00			
		- Rec Ground	£310.00			
		- Allotment	£200.00	-	£1,010.00	BACS

New boiler working well – contractor very efficient.

Clerk to check ordering for correct toilet rolls for the Leeds Hall.

- (ii) Bank Reconciliation to 31st August 2024. Signed and agreed by Chair of Finance. Noted
- (iii) Date of Finance Meeting 7th November 7pm in the Leeds Hall All members welcome Items to be included on the agenda - Staff wages, Precept for 2025/26 and new Financial Regulations
- (iv) S137 Payments None

173) Planning

Applications:

REF:Tree Works Notification —Peterborough Road, Eye. Ash tree. Wind Damage Located near to the redundant play area at Ixworth Close. The work has already been completed. Noted.

Decisions:

REF:Proposed 1-bed workers accommodation at Acorn Lodge Kennels & Cattery, Thorney Rd, Eye. Permitted

REF:Conversion of office/storage building to 2no. bed sits at Tasman Park, Rear of 59 Peterborough Road, Eye, Peterborough. Refused

Planning Application ref:24/00541/REM – Reserved Matters Application for Land East of Eyebury Road, Eye to be considered by the Planning and Environmental Protection Committee on 3rd September 2024. Permitted.

Planning Appeal to The Secretary of State re application - REF24/000002/OUT Outline application for 3 bungalow dwellings at land previously used for light commercial use with layout secured and all other matters reserved at Abrahams Cottage, Crowland Road, Eye Green. Noted

Local Plan – Update, email already circulated to members and report from Mr Martin and Ms Edge from meeting at PCC on 11th September.

Work commenced in April 2023, Draft version work commenced in early 2024 for public consultation in the autumn. In July the new government published changes to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) which includes changes to calculating housing needs which now means the consultation on the draft Local Plan is paused until February 2025. New sites may now become available and any for our Parish will be notified in late October for comment by 29 November.

Increase in Housing Targets and increase in Social Rented Homes.

New Plan was showing 936 new dwellings per year, this will now increase to 1068, 19,656 by 2044, increases to 22,428 - 14% increase, and extra 132 dwellings per year.

Work happening at the former vicarage in Thorney Road – clerk to try and find out what.

174) Cemetery – Report

Scribe Accounts Cemetery Administration System -

Initial set-up fee £249, £29 monthly fee.

Agreed to go ahead and run alongside the current system, starting later in the year. Complaint received that there is not enough room between ashes plots - investigated by clerk, chairman and members. There is one foot standing room between which is deemed sufficient.

175) Allotments – Report

All currently let and new members working hard. 4 on the waiting list, Meeting with allotment holders – 24th October. Skip on allotment site – 26th October

176) Leeds Hall, Recreation Ground and Amenities

2 Further Defibrillators placements to be completed, permission awaited from Service Station at Eye Green. Electrician to be asked to fit the one at Woolfell hill Road asap. The Defibs at both the Leeds Hall and The Community Centre were triggered last month within 20minutes of each other. They were not taken out – believed to have been caused by a false call. All such instances do mean they are out of service for at least 8 hours. Article to go in next Eyescan explaining the implications.

Pavilion Caretaker Vacancy

Committee of clerk and Mrs Mulholland will interview 3 applicants early next week. Council agreed that they make the appointment - by the end of the month.

Pavilion Building Painting Quotes

3 quotes requested – only 2 received

Preferred quote considerably less – clerk to ensure the work undertaken is as required.

E-Mail from Glinton & Northborough Football Club asking about playing regularly at the Lindisfarne Road Recreation Ground. The adult team plays on a Saturday afternoon and could support the upkeep and administration of the recreation ground. Further information required – number of players from Eye, training sessions, own goals nets etc. The clerk will arrange a meeting.

Consideration to be given to installing 2 floodlights at/on the front of the pavilion lighting up the field. Clerk to check if there is a covenant that could prevent this and look for funding available.

Timer of floodlights at skate- park to be looked at.

177) Transport, Roads and Footpaths

National Highways - A47 Peterborough to Kings Lynn proposed speed limit reduction. The areas proposed are from Thorney onwards and do not affect Eye. National Highways – A47 Crowland Road Roundabout Eye Green – resurfacing work Tuesday 24th through to Thursday 26th September 2024 between 8pm and 6am. Diversions will be in place.

The old A1073 from Crowland roundabout to Masons Bridge closed last night from 7 pm - no closure signs, the clerk has asked for clarification.

Spalding bus arriving late – issues with roadworks in Spalding.

178) Neighbourhood Plan – Report

The survey was completed over the summer- 174 responses received, on line and paper copies. These were reviewed at the last meeting, most responses we are aware of. Facilities needed most – medical. Cars, public transport, unsafe for cyclists. Results discussed with the Consultant, need to draft policies and plan the draft plan. Ms Edge already started to do this and the consultant pleased with the results so far £6,000+ funding received

Next meeting 10th October – visitor coming to talk about Social Housing

179) VE Day – 8th May 2025

Beacon to be lit by Parish Council Chairman at 9.30pm as part of the National Beacon Lighting.

Requesting animals be involved in the celebrations, acknowledging the part they played in the war. Other events being looked at.

VE Day day flag to be ordered.(36 X 21.6) Lapel badges available.

180) Other Correspondence

St Matthews Church – Invitation to take part in the Christmas Wreath Festival on the 7th & 8th December 2024. Yes we will – Mrs Short to be asked if she will do this again.

PCC – Free Carbon Literacy Course – details already circulated to members Cambs & Peterborough Combined Authority - Formal bus franchising consultation on how to reform buses across the area .Event for our area to take place on 3rd October from 6-8pm ARU Peterborough, Lecture Hall, Bishops Road, Peterborough. 1 person per organisation. RSVP by 2nd October. Online participation:hhtps://cpca-yourvoice.co.uk/bus-franchising-consultation/ Noted.

CAPLC - Training schedule circulated

Email from Peterborough Care Services - Directory now available. Box of 60 directories to be ordered and shared with the Community Centre.

Email from Elliot Pinnock who is 15. He and a friend are volunteering for their Duke of Edinburgh Award with AMVC and are looking for suitable opportunities. Unfortunately the Parish Council can't assist directly but the clerk will reply with some suitable suggestions ie Youth Club. Local sports clubs.

181) Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

Mr Pape the new MP for Peterborough will attend the Parish Council meeting on 21st November 2024

182) Date of Next Meeting—Thursday 17th October 2024 (Please note the Clerk is away from 29th September to 7th October)

183) EDI Compliant