

Gamston with West Drayton and Eaton
Parish Council

Draft Minutes for meeting to be held at

7.00pm – on Thursday 14th October 2021

at Gamston C of E Primary School, Gamston DN220PE

Present: Cllr. S Chandler (Chair), Cllr. D Ramsden, Cllr. T Blagg, Cllr. M Howard, Cllr. M Moakes, Cllr. T Adam.

1. Opportunity for members of the public to join the Council for 10 minutes

Three members of the public attended the meeting – all three represented the Eaton Independent Action Group.

The meeting was audio recorded by Paul Rider.

The Eaton Village Independent Action Group (EVIAG) read a statement to the Parish Council and agreed to forward a copy of this to the Clerk.

EVIAG stated their disappointment with the progress that the Parish Council has made to address issues that impact on the village of Eaton. The problems of traffic calming, anti-social behaviour were the key focus of the statement and further suggestions to improve the village were presented in terms of pursuing the possibility of creating a Conservation status for the village and a Neighbourhood plan for the village.

EVIAG had previously presented a document to the Parish Council that had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing specific issues that the group require a response from the Parish Council explaining actions and outcomes to the concerns of the group.

Cllr. Moakes informed the PC that her Mother in law was one of the representatives of the EVIAG present.

Cllr. Ramsden informed the PC that she has a business relationship with one of the members of the EVIAG present.

2. Apologies for absence and Declarations of Interest by Councillors:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. J Worthington, Cllr. D Newman and Cllr. J Ogle

3. Approval of minutes of meeting held on 9th September 2021-

The minutes were approved with minor adjustments to the wording of the Minutes of the School management Committee.

4. Business arising from the meeting of 9th September 2021

- **Larger bin at Hather Close Gamston** – the are waiting for Bassetlaw to finalise the delivery of this bin..
- **Drains in Rockley-** Cllr. Chandler confirmed that as this situation has moved to an enforcement order, the PC are able to take any further action.
- **Promotion of the Parish Council**

Cllr. Moakes presented a further draft of this document.

Action: Cllr. Moakes to make minor adjustments to the document.

- **Speed camera Batteries and Speed Watch**

Councillors discussed the purchase of Speed Awareness signs that will be needed to carry out these exercises.

Action: Cllr. Chandler to order signs.

£61.60 inc VAT for 10 therefore 10 to be ordered by Cllr. Chandler.

Councillor's also discussed the damage caused to possible repair of the telephone box at West Drayton *and* both the possible repair and future use of it

Action: Cllr. Adam to establish and approximate cost to replace both glass and ask the residents of West Drayton on their thoughts of what it could be used for .

Cllr. Moakes updated on the situation of flu vaccinations.

Action: Cllr. Moakes to create an information bulletin to post to the village notice boards.

5. **District Councillor's report.** No report had been submitted.

6. **Eaton – Update on traffic calming scheme -**

Cllr. Chandler read the response Cllr. Ogle had forwarded from the County Council Senior Bridge Manager stating that no barrier could be erected on the bridge in Eaton for a number of reasons:

The bridge has been repaired in the past and any structure added to prevent people jumping from the bridge into the river could compromise the strength of the bridge. It was also noted that the bridge is of historical interest. The road is narrow and any fencing on the highway would compromise the flow of traffic.

Action: Clerk to contact NCC to ask what the historic interest is and to clarify that the bridge is single traffic not dual.

Cllr. Moakes also asked for images of potential structures.

Cllr. Chandler conveyed the feedback from Highways that the village would receive more marker posts and white lines but there is no final date for this to happen as the County Council have until March 31st 2022 to complete the work. Cllr. Chandler confirmed that the Clerk had requested a site visit or design information but to date this is not available.

Action: Clerk to chase this request.

7. **Planning: a) Applications:** No objections were raised by Councillors to current applications.

8. **Matters raised by village residents:**

The Clerk reported the content of email communication from a resident in Rockley who requested PC support to install a defibrillator in Rockley.

Councillors discussed this and the possible location of another defibrillator and agreed in principle that this would be something that they could support.

A further request from the resident requested the support of the PC to organise a village service to collect vulnerable and lonely residents to meet once a month for a social event to be held perhaps in the school hall.

Again, in principle, councillors agreed.

Action: Clerk to invite the resident to a future meeting to discuss these requests further.

9. Village warden report –

The village warden reported an improvement in the amount of litter. He noted a fallen wall in Rockley that will need moving before the winter weather arrives.

Cllr. Ramsden agreed to check the location of this to establish if it is on private or County Council land.

The village warden also noted that a second bin is missing from Markham Moor which results in people leaving their litter at the side of the first bin.

Action: Clerk to request a replacement bin.

10. **Casual Vacancies:** No responses.

Account & Audit

- **Current position on Accounts £17,573.22**
- **Receipts £3532.50**

- **Payment to be made to HMRC £47.00 PAYE**

11. Highways

Cllr. Howard reported a missing sign at Muttonshire Hill.

Action: Clerk to report to Highways.

It was also noted that a number of potholes had been identified with red paint to facilitate the recent cycle event that passed from Gamston to Markham Moor.

Action: Clerk to request that these are filled asap.

AOB

Councillors noted that they had received the latest Police report.

Flooding report

Councillors discussed the recent Flood report and noted a desire to respond.

Cllr. Adam to consider an appropriate response that acknowledges the issue of flooding at Twyford bridge that pushes traffic from the A1 through the villages.

Action: Cllr. Adam to write a response for the Clerk to forward to NCC.

Councillors agreed to keep the issue of flooding as an agenda item.

Communication had been received regarding donations to the Bassetlaw food bank

Cllr. Moakes suggested that as funding was often directed out of the district, that PC would want to support more local initiatives where possible.

Councillors agreed to respond that the PC would not be supporting this venture but wished them good luck with such an important cause.

Action: Clerk to respond to the Bassetlaw Food Bank.

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm

Date of next meeting – 7 pm November 14th 2021.

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