



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Castle Eaton Parish Council

7th September 2026

Present

CLlr C Williams - Chair

CLlr S Cooper Caine – Vice Chair

CLlr L McVey

CLlr N Waddicor

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

Four residents

1. Apologies for absence

CLlr M Patrick

2. Declarations of Interest

Vice Chair, S Cooper Caine, declared an interest as Trustee of the Village Hall, for any issues about the Village Hall.

Chair C Williams is the representative for the Parish Council to the Village Hall.

3. Minutes of previous Meeting – 20th July 2026

Minutes agreed and signed by Chair passed to Clerk.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting – 20th July 2026

Nothing raised

5. Items for discussion

a. HGV Traffic Through Village

There has been a significant increase in traffic through the village due to roadworks on the C124. In particular, lorries appear to be disregarding the 7.5-tonne weight limit.

A number of actions have already been taken in conjunction with local police forces. Several drivers have been stopped, advised about their route, and ticketed where appropriate. Police visibility in the area has also been increased.

The police have encouraged residents to report lorries using the Wiltshire Police Road traffic incident reporting page:

<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/rs/road-safety/making-a-road-traffic-incident-report/>.

Reports should include as much detail as possible. Video evidence is particularly helpful where it can be provided safely and appropriately.

Residents have also been asked to report drivers directly to the companies they work for. This appears to be receiving a positive and helpful response from the companies involved.

Latton Parish Council is working on improved signage for vehicles entering the C114 from the A419.

b. Bridleway

No further updates

c. Enforcement

Timports, which stores firewood logs in Droveway Business Park, does not appear to be adhering to the agreed storage limit of 538 sqm. This limit was intended to help control traffic using the C114.

Chair C Williams informed the SBC Planning Department in April 2026 about the apparent breach. At the end of Droveway, where there is further storage of logs, there is no planning permission in place for this storage.

Chair C Williams chased the issue again several weeks ago, but still no response has been received from SBC since April 2026.

6. Planning Applications

None received

Recess - Residents may raise any matter related to the work of the Parish Council.

Resident D Saunders raised concerns at the Village Hall meeting about unauthorised parking in the Village Hall car park. The car park is being used by people who are not hiring the hall, including some residents, walkers, and pub visitors. This can limit parking for those who have paid to hire the hall when an event or booking is taking place.

A notice is already displayed on the noticeboard to indicate when the hall is in use. However, questions remain about how parking restrictions can be enforced for visitors when the hall has

been rented out. Possible options include using a barrier, chains, or similar measures, such as an A-frame, subject to cost and practical arrangements. Unfortunately, all of these options require someone to manage or monitor them.

At the Village Hall meeting, Chair C Williams agreed that the Parish Council would provide larger signage for the car park.

The Party at North farm, didn't cause any issues. One concern is it may become an annual event.

7. General Finance

a. Approval of ad hoc payments

Payment for Defibrillator Pads approved by all Councillors

b. Bank Statements

Treasurer Account					
Transaction Date	Transaction	Transaction	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening balance 14th July 2026					18,146.15
20/07/2026	DD	Quickbook	28.80		18,117.35
21/07/2026	FPO	SBC Uncor	140.00		17,977.35
21/07/2026	FPO	Ink Cartridge	11.61		17,965.74
22/07/2026	FPO	EMPLOYEE	180.09		17,785.65
28/07/2026	PAY	SERVICE C	4.25		16,964.22
28/07/2026	SO	T M WHYBO	817.18		16,968.47
10/08/2026		Interest		0.22	16,964.44
18/08/2026	DD	Quickbook	27.00		16,937.44
19/08/2026	FPO	Defib Pads	98.34		16,839.10
28/08/2026	SO	T M WHYBO	817.18		16,021.92
28/08/2026	PAY	SERVICE C	4.25		16,017.67
Closing balance 1st September 2026					16,017.67
CBF					
Transaction Date	Transaction	Transaction	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening balance 14th July 2026					17,413.84
10/08/2026		INTEREST (GROSS)		7.63	17,421.47
Closing balance 1st September 2026					17,421.47

Agreed by all Councillors.

c. Budget Planning

Not many changes are expected. There may be an increase in mowing costs. Clerk T Whyborn to contact resident adjacent to the land.

Clerk T Whyborn to liaise with Chair C Williams regarding preparation of the Budget ready for the next meeting.

8. AOB

CBF will be coming back under the control of the Parish Council, the current process of approval will still apply, however without CBF approval, application comes straight to Parish Council meeting.

Cotswold Local plan, increase in houses may cause an increase in traffic through the Village.

The following tables show how the level of housing required through strategic development sites will be distributed:

Table 4.2: Strategic Allocations for Cirencester and Surrounding Villages Area

Settlement	Strategic extension	Housing allocation to 2043	Longer term potential (Approximate)
Cirencester*	To the south of The Steadings	585	779
	To the east of Kingshill Lane	613	0
Preston*	To the south of Preston	1,368	0
Siddington*	To the south-west of Siddington	372	0
TOTAL		2,938	779

* Located in Cirencester, Preston and Siddington parishes but will functionally grow the settlement of Cirencester

Table 4.3: Saved Strategic Allocation for Cirencester and Surrounding Villages Area

Settlement	Strategic extension	Housing allocation to 2043	Longer term potential (Approximate)
Cirencester	South of Chesterton (The Steadings) (Saved Allocation S2) (see Appendix 2)	2,282	0

Table 4.4: Strategic Allocations Identified for South Cotswold Area

Settlement	Strategic extension	Housing allocation to 2043	Longer term potential (Approximate)
Down Ampney	Strategic extension to the north, east and south of Down Ampney	1,658	0
Fairford	Strategic extension to the north-east of Fairford	1,141	0
Kemble	Strategic extension to the south-west of Kemble	1,020	0
New settlement	New settlement to the south of Driffield	1,090	1,132
TOTAL		4,909	1,132

Table 4.5: Strategic Allocations Identified for North Cotswold Area

Settlement	Strategic extension	Housing allocation to 2043	Longer term potential (Approximate)
Mickleton	Strategic extension to the north and west of Mickleton	1,238	0
Moreton-in-Marsh	Strategic extension to the South and East of Moreton-in-Marsh	2,217	0
TOTAL		3,455	0

9. Date of next Meeting

16th November 2026

Meeting was adjourned at 8.20pm by Cllr Colin Williams – Chair

Minutes submitted by:

Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by:

Cllr Colin Williams - Chair