



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council 11th May 2026

Present

Cllr C Williams - Chair

Cllr S Cooper Caine – Vice Chair

Cllr L McVey

Cllr M Patrick

Cllr N Waddicor

T Whyborn – Clerk

1. Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair- Declaration of Acceptance

Cllr S Cooper Caine confirmed that she is happy to continue as Vice Chair. Cllr C Williams is happy to continue as Chair.

Cllr C Williams was proposed as Chair by Cllr Patrick seconded by Cllr McVey; Cllr S Cooper Caine was proposed as by Cllr Waddicor seconded by Cllr Patrick.

2. Apologies for absence

None

3. Declarations of Interest

Vice Chair, S Cooper Caine declared an interest as Trustees of the Village Hall, for any issues pertaining to the Village Hall.

Chair C J Williams is the PC representative on the CEVH committee.

4. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting – 9th March 2026

Minutes agreed and signed by Chair passed to Clerk.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting – 9th March 2026

None raised

6. Planning Applications

S/HOU/26/0528, S/LBC/26/0529 – Erection of Timber Orangery, Glebe House, The Street, Castle Eaton, SN6 6JZ

No objections

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

Nothing raised. (No Residents present)

7. Finance - Annual Returns

a. Annual Governance Statement 2025-2026 (Section 1 – P5)

Signed by Chair and Clerk

b. Internal Auditors Report 2025-2026 (P4)

Signed by Internal Auditor

c. Accounting Statement 2025- 2026 (Section 2 - P6)

Signed by Chair and Clerk

d. Certificate of Exemption 2025 – 2026 (P3)

Signed by Chair and Clerk

8. General Finance

a. Bank Statements

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening Balance 28/2/26				17,378.11
09/03/2026	INTEREST (GROSS)		6.67	17,384.78
09/04/2026	INTEREST (GROSS)		7.38	17,392.16
Closing Balance 6/5/26				17,392.16
Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Balance
Opening Balance 28/2/26				15,061.49
02/03/2026	T M WHYBORN	817.18		14,244.31
02/03/2026	SERVICE CHARGES REF : 479130440	4.25		14,240.06
09/03/2026	VILLAGE HALL HIRE	20.00		14,220.06
09/03/2026	WALC Subs	15.00		14,205.06
09/03/2026	Interest		0.19	14,205.25
18/03/2026	INTUIT LIMITED	27.00		14,178.25
19/03/2026	BKV EXPENSES Tree	67.50		14,110.75
19/03/2026	GREEN BINS 2026/2027	137.00		13,973.75
30/03/2026	T M WHYBORN	817.18		13,156.57
30/03/2026	SERVICE CHARGES REF : 481622959	4.25		13,152.32
09/04/2026	Interest		0.21	13,152.53
17/04/2026	Precept		10,812.56	23,965.09
21/04/2026	INTUIT LIMITED	27.00		23,938.09
22/04/2026	DAVID NEWMAN Grass Cutting	2,640.00		21,298.09
22/04/2026	NALC SUBS 26/27	110.72		21,187.37
28/04/2026	T M WHYBORN	817.18		20,370.19
28/04/2026	SERVICE CHARGES REF : 484132208	4.25		20,365.94
29/04/2026	EMPLOYERS NI	180.09		20,185.85
Closing Balance 6/5/26				20,185.85

Agreed by all Councillors.

b. Ad Hoc Payments

No ad hoc payments

9. AOB

All Councillors requested to fill in return for expenses and submit by 6th June 2026.

Bridleway still does not show any signs of repair and would be dangerous to users. Pictures have been collected by Chair CWilliams. There have been numerous requests to Swindon Borough Council to investigate this.

As part of the public consultations required prior to publication of SBC's strategic plan for the period to 2043, (*Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment [SHELAA] refers*), the land owners of Burytown Farm have submitted proposals for a 4000-house development between Blunsdon and Hannington, bordered in the north by Lushill Farm and in the south by the B4019, Blunsdon/Highworth road. Only two exits from this potential development are proposed, one south onto the B4019 and the other north onto the minor road south of Lushill and west of Hannington. Should the owners of Burytown Farm be successful and this development is built according to the proposed plans, there will be serious traffic volume implications from vehicles heading north from this proposed development for both School Lane and the Conservation Area of Castle Eaton.

Further details are included in the report from Parish Council Chair submitted in the Minutes of the 2026 Castle Eaton Annual Parish Meeting minutes.

10. Date of next Meeting

20th July 2026

Meeting was adjourned at 8pm by Cllr Colin Williams – Chair

Minutes submitted by: Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by: Cllr Colin Williams - Chair