



CASTLE EATON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Castle Eaton Parish Council

17th March 2025

Present

CLlr C Williams - Chair

CLlr S Cooper Caine – Vice Chair

CLlr L McVey

CLlr M Patrick

CLlr N Waddicor

T. Whyborn (Clerk)

CLlr S Weisinger

CLlr N Gardiner

Two residents

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of Interest

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

3. Minutes of previous Meeting – 6th January 2025

Minutes agreed and signed by Chair, passed to Clerk.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of Meeting – 6th January 2025

Village Website - Some of the owners of pages on the Village website have now updated their pages. Clerk T Whyborn will review and contact those which are still to be updated.

Chair C Williams visited the occupants of 3 Ettone barns to discuss their current plans and violations reported by a third party. Further planning amendments have been submitted. See Planning Applications below.

5. Items for discussion

a. AD Plant

Privilege Finance which are the Company who owns ECO Verde, the Anaerobic Digester company came and gave a presentation to the Village regarding their updated plans on the 11th of February 2025. The meeting was very well attended with approx. seventy residents.

Despite a promise of the Slides from the presentation and a contact number for any questions, no further contact has been made by Privilege since the meeting.

A document from National Highways which is dated 7th October 2024 was finally posted on the Planning Portal 17th March 2025. This document has been in the public domain, but SBC Planning have refused to post it on the portal until now after pressure from Cllr S Weisinger.

b. Bridle Path 18

A response was received from Martin Fry (Rights of Way and Highway Information Manager) on the 22nd of January. This states that the material is correct but needs to be compacted down. It also states that he is waiting for an update from the landowner.

Cllr N Waddicor and Vice Chair S Cooper Caine revisited the Bridleway, and ceramic parts are still present. Cllr N Waddicor emailed M. Fry on the 12th of March for an update.

Cllr N Gardiner offered to assist in resolving the issue.

6. Planning Matters

3 Ettone Barns have submitted amendments to their original plans to ensure that they are compliant. Chair C Williams and Vice Chair S Cooper Caine are to visit the site.

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

Resident D Naidu requested an update on the usage of Industrial units on Business Park, specifically the expansion of Timports.

Permission was given in 2006 for Class B8 usage of 538 sqm indoor storage space, which was eventually occupied by Timports. It appears that Timports are now utilizing additional units in the Business Park for storage.

It also appears that the barn by Drove way kennels is being used by Timports for overflow storage. No application has been made to change this barn from Agricultural to Class B8 usage. A request for planning enforcement to investigate will be submitted.

Cllr N Gardiner requested to be added to the distribution list, after checking he is, Cllr N Gardiner to double check at his end.

7. Finance

a. Bank Statements

Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amo	Credit Am	Balance
Opening Balance 28/12/24				17,434.10
30/12/2024	T M Whyborn	906.36		16,527.74
09/01/2025	Interest		0.42	16,528.16
22/01/2025	Quickbooks	23.16		16,505.00
22/01/2025	VILLAGE HALL Rental	20.00		16,485.00
28/01/2025	T M WHYBORN	791.70		15,693.30
10/02/2025	Interest		0.44	15,693.74
18/02/2025	Quickbooks	25.56		15,668.18
20/02/2025	VH LEASE 1999-2024		25.00	15,693.18
24/02/2025	HOSPITALITY	61.68		15,631.50
28/02/2025	SERVICE CHARGES REF : 4	4.25		14,835.55
28/02/2025	T M WHYBORN	791.70		14,839.80
10/03/2025	Interest		0.38	14,835.93
Closing Balance 11/3/25		2,624.41	26.24	14,835.93
Transaction Date	Transaction Description	Debit Amo	Credit Am	Balance
Opening Balance 28/12/24				17,224.44
09/01/2025	INTEREST (GROSS)		14.63	17,239.07
10/02/2025	INTEREST (GROSS)		15.11	17,254.18
10/03/2025	INTEREST (GROSS)		13.24	17,267.42
Closing Balance 11/3/25		-	42.98	17,267.42

Agreed by all Councillors.

b. Ad Hoc Payments

New Banking Charges from Lloyds Bank

Payment from Village for Historic Lease

8. AOB

Resident D Saunders highlighted that at the Village Hall AGM taking place at the end of April, none of the Committee are standing again, a notice has been distributed throughout the village. If no one comes forward the Village Hall committee are not sure what will happen.

Resident D Saunders has contacted the Village Hall Association for advice regarding what happens in this scenario, will it close, or will it go back into the Parish Council?

On behalf of the Village Hall Trustees, Chair C Williams will also contact The Charity Committee for advice.

It was agreed that as per last year The Parish Council will provide two bins for use of the Village. To use the bins the households must have already purchased an annual subscription for their own bins, and they are just for use for overflow. Resident D Saunders will advertise this in the Village Magazine.

9. Date of next Meeting

19th May 2025

Meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm by Cllr Colin Williams – Chair

Minutes submitted by: Teresa Whyborn - Parish Clerk

Approved by: Cllr Colin Williams - Chair