

# EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015 AGM  
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

**Present:** Richard King (Chairman), Peter Rawlinson ( Vice Chairman), Claire Foinette, Ambrose Oliver, Tim Oliver, Alison Richey, Rob Walker, Geraldine Dyer (Ward Councillor) and Heather James (Clerk).

1 member of the public was also present.

1. **Election of Officers:** The Clerk took the chair and invited nominations for the Chairman of the Council. Tim Oliver **proposed** Richard King as Chairman, Peter Rawlinson **seconded**; There being no other nominations the vote was carried unanimously and Richard King accepted the role of Chairman and took the chair. Richard King **proposed** and Alison Richey **seconded** Peter Rawlinson as Vice Chairman. There being no other nominations Peter Rawlinson was elected unanimously as Vice Chairman. The following sub-committees and representatives were agreed, **proposed:** Richard King, **seconded:** Tim Oliver.

Committee/organisation	Representatives
Finance	Alison Richey, Richard King, Peter Rawlinson, Tim Oliver
Local Needs Housing	Pat Parr, Ambrose Oliver, Rob Walker
Youth matters	Alison Richey, Claire Foinette, Peter Rawlinson
Highways/Traffic/Transport	Pat Parr, Rob Walker
Development projects	Richard King, Alison Richey
Communications/Publicity	Alison Richey, Peter Rawlinson
Maintenance	Tim Oliver, Rob Walker
Games Barn	Claire Foinette, Tim Oliver
Telecottage	Alison Richey, Richard King
EPFA	Tim Oliver
KALC	Peter Rawlinson
Hall Committee	Pat Parr, Claire Foinette
ABC Parish Forum	Jennifer Buchanan
Kent Police Forum	Lois Tilden^
Egerton School Governors	Richard King, Ambrose Oliver
Footpaths	Pat Parr
Tree Warden	Peter Rawlinson, Michael Steed^
Parish Plan	Richard King, Peter Rawlinson, Alison Richey, Rob Walker
Snow Committee	Alison Richey, Bill Smyth^, Pat Parr
Emergency Plan	Pat Parr, Peter Rawlinson
Planning	Lois Tilden^

\*Already indicated acceptance, if proposed, in advance of the meeting

^ co-opted

2. **Welcome:** Richard King welcomed Claire Foinette, Rob Walker and, although absent, Jennifer Buchanan as new Cllrs. He also welcomed back all re-elected Cllrs. He also gave Thanks to Bill and Roger for their hard work and service to the village as they had not stood for re-election at the recent elections. Thanks also go to Richard Wall who sadly was not re-elected.
3. **Apologies:** Pat Parr, Jennifer Buchanan
4. **Declarations of interest:** None
5. The minutes of the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015: The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

**Proposed:** Alison Richey; **Seconded:** Peter Rawlinson

**6. Matters Arising from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

**a) Footpaths and stiles:**

Green Wickets the option to have the footpath diverted will not be taken up as the cost will be prohibitive. Richard King will contact KCC rights of way to see if they can assist in any way with the problem.

Peter Rawlinson has offered to visit the owners of Green Wicket to see if a solution can be found to the problem of the footpath and the owners having their dogs roaming loose.

**Action:** Richard King, Peter Rawlinson

- b) Highways:** Peter and Richard Wall had been working on mapping the location of drains within the village so Egerton Parish Council could let KCC drains teams know when it came to cleaning drains. As Richard is no longer a Cllr Peter will contact him to see if Richard would be happy to continue with the work. Peter will report back.

**Action:** Peter Rawlinson

- c) Village confines:** Peter will report next month.

**Action:** Peter Rawlinson

- d) Strong box:** Lois Tilden and Pat Parr have had two meetings and have begun the task of working through all the paperwork held in the archive cupboards. Pat reported they were making good progress; Thank you Lois and Pat for all your hard work.  
The Telecottage committee have offered to digitalise much of the information held of meetings in recent years.

**Action:** Lois Tilden, Pat Parr, Telecottage

- e) Parish Plan:** Jane Carr has sent to the Clerk a copy of version 8. This has been sent to Cllrs for comment. All Cllrs agreed that the Parish Plan Committee had worked very hard in compiling the plan. Peter and the Clerk will respond. The Clerk will send copies of the Plan to new Cllrs. Also the Clerk will send out all details of Cllrs to all.

**Action:** Peter Rawlinson, Clerk

- f) 7<sup>th</sup> Rail Summit:** Peter Rawlinson attended and gave a comprehensive report about the meeting.

- g) Community Governance:** Mr Bradley Waghorn of Woodside and Mr Hayes of High Banks have replied to the letter sent by the Clerk and requested that the Council put forward a move of the Egerton boundary line to encompass Woodside. Peter will contact the owners of Horseshoe Cottage to follow up on letter sent by Clerk. The Clerk and Richard will send in response to ABC before dead-line date.  
The Local Government Boundary Commission have invited comment on proposed changes to the County Council constituencies to reduce the number of KCC members from 84 to 81. It proposes that Smarden be moved to the Tenterden constituency. Following a discussion the council thought it would make better

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sense to leave Smarden within Ashford Rural West as Smarden and Egerton share the same Borough councillor, with High Halden moving to Tenterden instead, as it has a greater synergy with Tenterden than Smarden. The Clerk will contact Smarden Clerk to find out where Smarden Parish would rather be placed. The consultation closes on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson, Richard King, Clerk

- h) **Notice Board:** Bill has finished repairing the broken notice board, the Clerk will ask Scott and Alan James to put it back on the wall at The Queen's Arms. **Action:** Clerk
- i) **Membership Survey of KALC:** Richard King is to carry out. **Action:** Richard King.
- j) **Notice board on Millennium Hall:** Following discussions it was decided that it would be a good idea to have a new notice board. The Clerk will look into costs of various sizes. **Action:** Clerk
- k) **Community Assets:** Richard had filled in and given paperwork to a person at The George ready for them to complete before submitting. Unfortunately the person has left working at The George and the paperwork has been lost. Richard will start the process again with the new management. The other place to be put on the asset is the shop. **Action:** Richard King

### 7. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a \*

#### Action

KALC VAT and Accounts meeting: Finance committee 19/5 – No one will attend this

KALC Post election conference: All 19/5\_– New Cllrs have requested to attend.

\*KALC Clerks conference

#### Note

KCC guide to drainage: All 7/5

Letter from Gerry Clarkson: All 7/5

Pilot Local Warden Support Officer scheme: All 7/5

Inside track 226: All 12/5

Foxy lady drivers club: All 12/5

Letter from NALC Chairman: All 12/5

Electoral review of Kent draft recommendations: All 14/5

Draft VCS policy consultation: All 19/5

Highways Public path diversion: All 19/5 Front page \*Full details

#### Web Items

Declaration of results

1 Chantlers Meadow

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8. **Accounts:**

As this AGM is an extra meeting due to the Elections there are no Accounts. The next accounts will be shown at the main meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

9. **Public Discussion**

Richard King closed the meeting at 9.07pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 9.12pm.

10. **Planning**

*Planning applications submitted to Ashford Borough Council this month for Egerton Parish Council to consider and decisions recently taken by ABC to be noted, details of which may be accessed on line at: [http://www.ashford.gov.uk/online\\_planning/](http://www.ashford.gov.uk/online_planning/) Individuals may also register via the website with ABC to receive regular alerts of new applications and decisions.*

**New planning applications:**

<a href="#">15/00575/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP</b> Removal of modern cupboards, existing &; erection of new partitions to ground floor; alterations to floors in inner hall, new laundry/boot room, new kitchen, including provision of concrete base &; damp proofing. Reception 1, provision of concrete base &; damp proofing. SW window removed to laundry/boot room. NW opening formed. Door to existing bedroom 4 fixed shut
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**Support, with comments.**

Our Ref: CO/15/00136

Your Ref:

Date: 13 May 2015

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**Use of the land for stationing of caravan and erection of summerhouse in field  
Land south of junction with Bedlam Lane and, Wanden Lane, Egerton, Kent**

I acknowledge receipt of your recent communication concerning the above.

Your enquiry has been passed to the Planning Compliance Team who will look into the matter and contact you in due course.

11. **AOB**

- Richard will contact highways about **the chevrons at Brook gate** on Forstal Road leading to Bedlam lane. **Action:** Richard King
- Alison explained that the **Telecottage and Film club had made wifi** available within the Millennium Hall.
- Peter followed on about **the Community assets** it would be helpful if more villagers used the George pub and the village shop. It was decided to make a feature in the next newsletter of the need to use these assets and also the garage.
- **Following Bill standing down as Cllr** it has meant there is need to find other people to carry out the many jobs he performed on behalf of the parish, Thank you Bill.  
Mowing the grass on The Glebe is to be taken on by John Vickers.  
Green Thumb lawn treatment booking will be taken on by the Clerk.  
Risk assessments filling in forms of various places around the village will be taken on by Jennifer Buchanan.  
Repairs to equipment will be taken on by various people as and when it is necessary.  
Bill will continue to look after jobs that are necessary for the Games barn and the Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 9.37

Next meeting: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 at 8.00pm