

EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 12th January 2016
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

Present: Richard King (Chairman), Jennifer Buchanan, Claire Foinette, Ambrose Oliver, Tim Oliver, Pat Parr, Alison Richey, Rob Walker, Geraldine Dyer (Ward Councillor) and Heather James (Clerk).

0 members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies:** Peter Rawlinson (Vice Chairman)
2. **Declarations of interest:**
3. The minutes of the meeting on 1st December 2015: The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Proposed: Pat Parr, **Seconded:** Tim Oliver

4. Matters Arising from 1st December 2015

- a) **Footpaths and stiles:** The fallen tree at Molly's Steps is to be sorted by the school as it is on school land. The school are to have a number of trees topped which grow along the footpath. The gate to the left of Rock Hill House leading to Link Hill is difficult to open as it has a broken post at the hanging side. Angus Buchanan is speaking to the landowner Julian Swift about repairs. There are still some footpaths across ploughed fields that have not been re-instated, Richard had spoken to Michael Ellis KCC highways footpaths who will look into the matter. The gate at Appleberry Farm is locked and blocking the footpath. Richard will speak to Michael Ellis about this situation. **Action:** Richard King, Pat Parr
- b) **Highways:** Following the site visit with Darren Anderson, when the drain at Field Mill/Coach Road was discussed, it seems no work has been carried out as the drain is still flooding. The Clerk will contact Darren and ask this to be put as a priority as it is dangerous. The culvert under the road along Chapel Lane has collapsed and is spilling water down the road. This will become a hazard if the weather gets very cold. This will also be reported to Darren as a priority. The edges of the road along Crocken Hill Road near to Island Farm are collapsing away and making it dangerous for vehicles. This will also be reported to Darren. Richard expressed thanks to Pat for all her hard work in producing a report each month on footpaths and stiles and for reporting to authorities. **Action:** Clerk
- c) **Parish Plan:** The booklet has now been delivered out to villagers. The Parish Plan committee would like to hold a meeting with EPC to discuss matters arising from the plan. Jane Carr has requested Wednesday 27th January in the committee room. Richard will contact Jane to inform her who on the council will be able to attend. **Action:** Richard King
- d) **Community Assets:** Richard has visited The George with John Hills (owner) and met with the owners of the Milk House, Sissinghurst who are interested in taking on the lease of The George. They wish to carry out a large number of alterations and Richard has suggested they contact Geraldine for assistance on planning matters. The application to register the village shop as an Asset of Community Value has been returned by ABC as the map submitted did not match the one held by the Land Registry. Richard will pay £14.95 (to be reimbursed) to the land registry to get a clearer map.

Action: Richard King

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- e) **Welcome packs:** Pat is awaiting the outcome of the boundary changes before sending out packs to the three properties. Peter offered to bind the welcome packs in future. Thank you Peter.
- f) **Drainage:** The Clerk will contact Aaron Frater to find out when the works will commence on the drain near to the committee room. **Action:** Clerk
- g) **Parish Forum:** Claire has yet to attend her first meeting.
- h) **Christmas meal:** The Councillors expressed their thanks to the Clerk for organising the Christmas meal at the Rose & Crown on Saturday 9th January, it was a very enjoyable evening. The Clerk will write a letter of thanks to the Rose & Crown. **Action:** Clerk
- i) **Bags of rubbish:** There have been a number of bags left at Stonebridge Green ready for collection on recycling day. Pat has reported that the bags are being left for longer than necessary. Geraldine will follow up. **Action:** Geraldine Dyer
- j) **Burn's Night:** Geraldine (Mayor of Ashford) is to host a Burn's night on Saturday 23rd January which Richard and Gale will attend.
- k) **Parish magazine:** Alison, Mel and Peter Rawlinson (as a sub-committee of EPC) are to produce a new magazine for Egerton village to take the place of the Egerton and Pluckley Parish Magazine, which ceased publication with the December/January issue. Alison has set up a new bank account to take advertising money and to keep it separate from the Parish Council accounts. The advertising costs will be
1/12th page @ £45
1/6 page @ £85
1/3 page @ £150
1/2 page @ £250
Full page @ £400
Back page @ £450 all per annum
The magazine, when produced, will be quarterly, full colour, A4 and will be distributed free to all properties within Egerton. It is hoped the advertising will cover all costs and any surplus will go to good causes around the village.
Copy date for each edition will be on the fourth Monday of the previous month for news and the third Wednesday of previous month for adverts. An email address has been set up - egertonupdate@gmail.com - please contact Alison or Mel with any news you may wish to have included.
The printing of the magazine will be A4 glossy, and will follow the tender process. Alison has received a quote from Printbig (who currently print the newsletter for Egerton).
32 pages @ £989 for 500 copies
40 pages @ £1186
48 pages @ £1299
She will also approach Bisonprint and one other company.

Jennifer proposed, seconded: Pat. Unanimously carried that Alison should go ahead.

5. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a *

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Note

NALC Bulletin on National developments and meetings: All 8/12

New Year Honours 2017: All 8/12

Proposed lorry area M20: All 15/12

Street naming flyer: All 15/12

Tesco community funding: All 15/12 –**Clerk to check if funding available next year for play area**

Public consultation for supported accommodation: All 15/12

Consultation Council Tax Precept: All 17/12

DCLG National Planning policy: All 22/12

KALC Plastic recycling: All 12/1

Sector led Body- Alison: **The Clerk is to write and opt out of NALC nomination for auditor and continue with David Buckett.**

CCTV Cameras-Richard: **Having read all code of practise legislation Richard felt it would not be appropriate for Egerton to install CCTV camera around the village .Members agreed.**

Web Items

6. Accounts:

Approval of the accounts for the month, for cheques to be signed and Internet transfers to take place.

Proposed : Alison Richey; **Seconded**: Tim Oliver;

Expenditure		Cheque No	£
Reimburse Pat Parr	Tools for footpath clearance	BACS	226.16
Jim Stears	Street cleaning	1304	180.70
Andrew Hopkins	Hedge cutting		108.00
Mrs H James	Salary January	BACS	623.50
HMRC	January	BACS	174.75
Style seating deposit	New chairs for hall	BACS	2062.75
Telecottage	BT	BACS	51.52
Zed.	Parish Plan printing	BACS	3502.00
Style seating	New chairs for hall	BACS	7838.45
Four jays group	Toilet for fair on Glebe	BACS	108.00
			14,875.83

The new chairs should be delivered ready to be unveiled at the January film club, showing Mr Holmes.

Income			
Big lottery	Chairs for hall	BACS	6551.00
UK Power networks		500033	55.25

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Donation	Pre-school	500034	617.05
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Bank Reconciliation Balance as at 30th November 2015 = £25,982.65 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

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Actual balance = £25,982.65 as at 30th November 2015

Village hall improvement Total = £20,827.15

Pre-school move = £ 9,509.00

Chairs = £ 1,000.00

Parish plan = £ 3,120.00

= £ 7198.15

7. Public Discussion

Richard King closed the meeting at 9.25pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 9.26pm.

8. 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/ Individuals may also register via the website with ABC to receive regular alerts of new applications and decisions.

New:

Geraldine-Update on Box Farm

Following the meeting of the planning committee the permission for use of Box Farm Barn as residential and not holiday let was refused. The owner is to appeal which Egerton Parish Council would be mindful to support.

15/01610/AS	Egerton	Weald North	The Bluebells, Crocken Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EG Replacement of existing rear conservatory with enlarged rear conservatory
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Support

15/01591/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Watersheet Farm, Bedlam Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DA
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			Revision to approved scheme (14/00414/AS and 14/00415/AS) for the conversion of barn to ancillary residential accommodation including link between house and barn and demolition of existing boiler room lean to.
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Support

Awaiting decision:

15/01529/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Rock Cottage, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9ED Erection of a two storey side and rear extension, replacement conservatory and front porch
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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.

Decided planning applications:

15/01507/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Appleby Oast, Green Hill Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EY Erection of a single storey extension to annexe
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15/01502/AS	Egerton	Weald	Mistletoe Cottage, Forstal Road,
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Permit		North	Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EL Proposed single storey side/rear extension to replace garage/conservatory
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15/01358/AS Prior Approval Refused	Egerton	Weald North	Little Mundy Farm, Green Hill Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EY Prior approval for change of use of agricultural barn to a dwelling and associated operational development
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15/01194/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Land rear of Nos 1 to 9, Crocken Hill Road, Egerton, Kent Erection of a cantilever pole barn
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9. AOB

- Parish Assembly-Clerk **The date has been set 17th March at 7.30pm in the Millennium Hall, the Clerk will inform all clubs/societies and book the hall.**
- Commonwealth flag day-Pat **All has been booked ready for 14th March.**
- Queen's 90th birthday-Pat **Beacons are to be lit on 21st April, Pat will register EPC interest.**
- Spring Clean- Pat **This will be held on Saturday 2nd April at 10.00am. The Clerk will contact ABC for all necessary equipment to be sent to Pat.**

The meeting closed at 10.00pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at 8.00pm