

EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 4th November 2014
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

1. **Present:** Richard King (Chairman), Roger Harper, Ambrose Oliver, Tim Oliver, Pat Parr,
2. Peter Rawlinson (Vice Chairman), Alison Richey, Bill Smyth, Richard Wall, Geraldine Dyer (Ward Councillor) and Heather James (Clerk).
7 members of the public were also present.
3. **Apologies:**
4. **Declarations of interest:** Peter Rawlinson planning White Cottage

The minutes of the meeting on 7th October 2014 : The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Proposed: Bill Smyth; **Seconded:** Tim Oliver

5. Matters Arising from 7th October 2014

a) **Footpaths and stiles:**

Pat has received notification that the stile at Egerton House has been fixed, Pat has been to check and it is not fixed sufficiently, the Clerk is to ask R James & Sons fencing to fix.

Pat has so far not followed up the progress of the way marker at Wildings.

The Clerk is to follow up the offer of the land owner at Hazeldene for a new gate to the bridle way.

The footpath sign directing walkers to Coldharbour Farm on the corner of Forstal Road and Bedlam Lane at Brookgate was knocked over when a vehicle left the road and went through the hedge. This has been reported to KCC.

A letter from KCC highways has been received showing proposed diversion of part of Public footpath AW99. Following discussions the council proposed to support the diversion, the Clerk will write with the Councils decision. **Action:** Clerk

b) **Highways:**

Peter Rawlinson and Richard Wall are still working on the mapping of drains within the village.

Stonebridge Green Road is closed from 3 November for five days to connect a new electricity supply and also to repair the drain under the road to properties at Willow Farm.

Bill reports that Southern water have informed him that a non-return valve is to be fitted at the end of Forge Lane with secure man-hole covers with the hope it will help with flooding problems.

Bill is awaiting a date for works to commence.

c) **Welcome packs.** Pat has delivered a Welcome pack to the new owners of Squirrel Lodge in Forstal Road.

d) **Village confines:** Peter will report next month, as he is awaiting a response from Challock PC. Peter is also to contact ABC to ask Stephanie Viney in planning if there is a map available to show previous areas of confines. There is also the Egerton Parish Design Statement for Peter to consider. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson

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- e) **Road sign:** Richard Hopkins is to be contacted to request that he straightens Forstal road and Crocken Hill Road finger post sign when he is passing in his machine, it maybe this will need replacing in the near future. The hedging along New Road towards Pluckley is overhanging the highway Richard king is to contact the land owner to request the hedging be cut back. Andrew Hopkins is to be contacted about cutting the hedging in the lower rec.
Action: Clerk, Richard King
- f) **Strong box:** This will be purchased once the Chairman and Clerk are able to access the archive in the hall during the next school holidays.
Action: Richard King, Clerk
- g) **Speeding cars in car park:** The speed sign which has been knocked down is to be re-instated by Bill and Tim.
Action: Bill Smyth, Tim Oliver
- h) **Recycling:** Bill Smyth has made enquiries about getting new recycling bins put in the village for villagers to recycle glass and newspaper. The money generated has to be given to a charity so Alison proposed and Pat seconded to give the money to the Millennium Hall and the hall committee would then use the money so that village clubs would not need to pay so much for the use of the hall.
- i) **Elm Close:** Bill and Tim have offered to get some white paint and carry out the work of marking the edge of the pavement. Thank you Bill and Tim.
They have also had a request from a villager to paint lines on the speed bumps so these will be more obvious during the winter evenings.
Action: Bill Smyth, Tim Oliver
- j) **Weeds:** Rob Hopkins has under taken the work of clearing the weeds from the steps leading from Elm Close to the hall car park.
- k) **Ward Member Community Grant Scheme:** Pat has received a grant for the Christmas tree lights and decorations ready for the Christmas fair on the Glebe. Bill is to request some funding for the Playing fields. Richard king is to request some funding to purchase a blue-ray player for the film society.
Action: Bill Smyth, Richard King
- l) **Submitted sites:** ABC Planning & Development Local Plan to 2030 shortlisted rural sites. A site within Egerton has been shortlisted NE of New Road. The Clerk is to contact Carly Pettit for clarification on timing of any consultations. Geraldine is also to follow up. **Action:** Clerk
- m) **Community Warden Consultation:** Richard King has filled in forms for the Parish Council.
- n) **KALC event:** Open-ness & transparency workshop. No one was available to attend this work shop.
- o) **Egerton pre-school:** A planning application has been submitted by the School Governors to KCC for works to be carried out at the Primary school ready for the pre-school move.

6. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a *

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KCC highways- Proposed diversion of Public footpath- **See 4a**
Planning & Development ABC-**See 4.I**

Note

Driving in bad weather – Kent Police: All 14/10

KCC Budget consultation: Richard King, Tim Oliver, Peter Rawlinson (Finance Committee)

Kent Police and Crime Commissioner newsletter: All 16/10/14

Road closure Stonebridge Green: All 21/10-**see 4b**

Flood Warden training: All 23/10

KALC next event: All 23/10-see 4n

*www.oil-club.co.uk

*Countryside Voice magazine

ACRK Annual meeting: All 28/10

ABC Winter 2014/15: All 28/10

Local Wildlife site draft: All 28/10

Consultation on policing in Kent: All 28/10

*What should I do in an emergency-booklet- **Pat is to keep as part of the emergency committee**

KentCan funding alert: All 30/10

Consultation-planning and travellers: All 7/10 again 30/10-**Richard Wall to follow up**

KALC Elections 2015:All 4/11- **Alison to produce posters for the Village and newsletter.**

Kent police burglary campaign: All 4/11-**The Clerk is to contact the PCSO and request a visit to a Parish Council meeting.**

Stress Less in South East Kent: All 4/11

Kris Hopkins speech @ NALC AGM: All 4/11

Funding from Fete: All 4/11- **The Clerk has provided a list of names of clubs within the village. The fete committee have agreed funding for the Pre-school move and money for toilets in the church. The committee will contact clubs within the village for any requests for funding.**

23million for Neighbourhood plan: All 4/11

Parish Forum- Richard Wall attended the latest meeting and reported that recycling credits would be paid in 2015/16 although it had been thought villages had received the last of the credits. The Clerk is to follow up and check the amount before the Finance Committee have their meeting to set the budget.

Action: Clerk

Web Item

Road Closure- Stonebridge Green Road 3rd November for 5days.

Kent Police burglary campaign: posted 4/11

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7. Accounts:

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

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

Expenditure		Cheque No	£
Rob Hopkins	Road sweeping April-Sept	1293	420.75
Telecottage	Welcome packs	Transfer	9.30
Mrs H James	Clerks salary November	Transfer	514.45
HMRC	November	Transfer	128.80
			1,073.30

Income			
Geraldine Dyer	Grant Christmas Fair	BACS	150.00
Norman Cornwall	Peppercorn rent	500015	0.05
			150.05

Bank Reconciliation as at 30th September 2014 (Latest statements)

Current Account latest Statement Balance as at 30th September 2014 = £24,778.50 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

Actual balance = £ 24,778.50 as at 30th September 2014

The finance committee are to hold a meeting to prepare for the budget and precept on 10 November.

8. Public Discussion

Richard King closed the meeting at 9.02pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 9.21pm.

9. 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 planning applications:

14/01245/AS	Egerton	Weald North	White Cottage, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EB Outline application for the erection of three two storey terrace dwellings
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Object, Chairman and Clerk to forward Cllrs objections as follows:

Proposed development is outside the built confines of the village on green undeveloped land, is unsuitable in scale and at odds with the distinctive rural area in terms of it layout, design and visual impact and is inappropriate to and out of context with the character and density of the surrounding rural area, conflicting with many of the policies set out in the Tenterden and Rural Sites Development Plan. It would create a road and pedestrian safety hazard as detailed by KCC highways.

14/01282/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Newlyn, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP Conversion of existing outbuilding to ancillary accommodation
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Object, Chairman and Clerk to forward Cllrs objections as follows: Objection to allowing outbuilding to become accommodation. If accommodation is necessary during building works a mobile home should be applied for and removed following completion of building works.

14/01255/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Old Bakery Cottage, The Street, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9AH Demolition of existing chimney stack to roof level and rebuild as existing
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Support

Decided planning applications:

14/01056/AS Proposed Use/Development Not Lawful	Egerton	Weald North	Stonebridge Green Barn, Stonebridge Green Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9AP Application for Certificate of Lawful Development - Construction of a wooden outbuilding for use as a home office
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14/00925/AS Refuse	Egerton	Weald North	Mill House, The Street, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9AL Erection of an ancillary annexe
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14/00971/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Insertion of new window to NE elevation and erection of a wooden gate with brick piers to vehicle access, metal gate to pedestrian access and brick wall with metal gate
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14/00972/AS Grant Consent	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Removal of existing &; erection of new partitions to ground floor; replacement of window with door to SW elevation; new window to NE elevation; alterations
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			to floors and steps in halls and kitchen including provision of concrete base & damp proofing to kitchen; 1no conservation rooflight; replacement windows; increase head height of door opening; insertion of internal window shutters; removal of wall panelling; provision of cast iron rainwater pipe; insertion of timber bridge on second floor; adaptation of front canopy and erection of replacement external brick wall
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10. **AOB**

- Pat **Christmas tree** for the Glebe.
Pat requested funds to purchase a Christmas tree. Alison Richey proposed ; Peter Rawlinson seconded; The Clerk is to arrange buying and getting the tree installed. **Action:** Clerk
- Ambrose-New parking restriction signs on Rock Hill adjacent to school. The urbanisation of the village. Following discussions it was decided to arrange a site visit with personnel from highways about the size and positioning of signs. The Clerk will contact highways.
Action: Clerk
- Alison raised the need for the landowner of the field behind Stisted Way and across to Egerton house to be contacted as crops are being grown but footpaths have not been designated. The Clerk will write to the landowner. **Action:** Clerk
- Tim has some old maps to be placed in the archive.

The meeting closed at 9.57

Next meeting: Tuesday 2nd December 2014 at 8.00pm