

EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 5th February 2019
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

Present: Richard King (Chairman), Jennifer Buchanan, Claire Foinette, Graham Howland, Ambrose Oliver, Tim Oliver, Pat Parr, Peter Rawlinson and Heather James (Clerk).
3 members of the public were present, also Lois Tilden planning advisor.

1. **Apologies:** Rob Walker- work, Ambrose-late
2. **Declarations of interest:** Pat Parr- Gift of land
3. The minutes of the meeting on 8th January 2019: The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings. **Proposed:** Graham Howland; **Seconded:** Tim Oliver;
4. **Matters Arising from 8th January 2019**

Report No. 106 of the Egerton Footpaths Representative – February 2019

Outstanding Footpath Issues:

1. **PROW981700 and 599699.** (John Bunyard). Reported 14th August. AW64 Opposite Egerton House, right hand side of large field. KCC same response as last month to my urgent request *“we have inspected the problem and are now working with the landowner/manager responsible to resolve the problem”*
2. **AW88 Elm Close to Stone Hill.** (Malcolm Berry). New fence erected at No. 18 Elm Close encroaching on part of public right of way towards Stone. ABC decided the boundaries are correct with the deeds. 10th October reported the matter to KCC under **PROW948168** for them to determine. This issue already raised by KCC themselves and is still *“Awaiting Allocation”*.

New Footpath Issue:

1. **PROW297375.** (Denise Smith). Reported 27/01/19. AW95 down Bedlam Lane, footpath at “Badgers” on the right before Goodwin Cottages (Sue Palmer) two consecutive stiles are in awful condition, see photos.



HIGHWAYS

Outstanding Highways Issues:

1. **397763.** (Ruth Haggie). 5 blocked drains with rain coming down from Stone Hill onto Rockhill Road, leading to gravel on the road and pools of water in times of heavy rainfall such as experienced in winter. *"Enquiry Under Investigation"*.
2. **David Hopkins** of No. 1 New Road has sent the Parish Council a message using our website (HugoFox passed on the message to Heather who passed to me):
"Any chance of getting the sign into Elm Close changed BACK to 1 and 2 New Road leading to Elm Close as it [always was fed up] with people calling on me for Elm Close and not finding me at all. Thanks. David."
On 20th December Pat sent an email to Ashford Borough Council from their website (copied to Heather) with this request. ABC will get a new sign made as it used to be as requested.

New Highways Issues:

1. **403901 (10/1/19).** (Jonathan Elworthy). Jonathan sent Heather 3 photos of bad reinstatement of road at the corner of his property and Iden Lane after utility works were carried out a while ago. KCC contacted the utility company to get them to come back and reinstate it. It may take a while because they will have to apply to KCC for a licence to do works on the road. Pat has informed Jonathan Elworthy of this situation. *Still Awaiting Reinstatement.*
2. **407207.** (Heather). 29th January 2019. Complaint from Connie Lawrence about the bad condition of the footpath down Crockenhill Road from Egerton adjacent to the Crockenhill houses on the left. Geraldine is investigating.
3. **407208.** (Heather). 29th January 2019. Complaint from Connie Lawrence about the bad condition of the road down Crockenhill Road adjacent to the Crockenhill houses.

c) **Entrance signs/Village gateways:** Pat, Richard and Julian held a meeting after which Julian provided Pat with measurements to obtain costings from cast iron manufacturers for signs, for KCC. Pat is still awaiting details from Julian for two gates rather than the original five (due to cost). KCC have given permission for the use of existing signs. **Action:** Pat Parr

d) **Mobile phone signal:** In a letter received from Damian Green he agreed to contact all mast operators in the area of which two had replied. BT (EE) there would be no new sites but they would be upgrading existing site masts. Telfonica (O2) have no current plans to erect new masts at this time. A meeting could be held in the future. Peter will contact Telefonica to arrange a meeting. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson

e) **Notice boards:** Richard has spoken to Julian Swift we are still awaiting any action. Following discussions it was agreed if a new notice board is not provided by Julian soon the PC would have to look at obtaining a new notice board from another source as the old one is near to collapse. **Action:** Richard King

f) **Older people's accommodation:** Moving along slowly. Richard is awaiting to hear from Derek Mark's executors as to progress of will. Gary Reeve-Wing of Court Royal are due to hold a meeting with the older peoples housing committee. Richard will report next month. **Action:** Richard King

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- g) **Village sign opposite Barrow House:** The Clerk and Graham will have a site visit to decide next steps for re-newing post. **Action:** Clerk, Graham Howland
- h) **Extension to Games Barn:** A meeting has been held with Richard, Tim, Graham, Bill Smyth and representatives from Hatch Engineering to outline size and construction of the new building and to request drawings ready for planning (if needed) and building regulations. Following on from the meeting another one was held but with Roger Fuller an architect recommended by Natasha Palmer of A T Palmer. Both parties would charge £500 for drawings and planning papers. Hatch Engineering suggested it would be advisable to replace the existing roof on the Games barn when the extension was built. Richard proposed that EPC would pay the initial £500 to get the drawings done, all agreed. It was also agreed to go with Hatch Engineering as they have previous experience in agricultural buildings where as Roger Fuller is more a domestic dwellings architect. The Clerk will contact Roger Fuller, also Richard Hopkins to request a costing to dig out and level ground where new extension will be sited. Once the new extension is built it will house all village equipment held in various places around the village. Once estimates for all of the work involved are received an application will be made for funding to the Geoff Wickens Trust, probably by the Games Barn Committee. Peter and Richard have taken two tarpaulins to the barn at Greenhill House to cover equipment stored there. **Action:** Richard King, Tim Oliver, Clerk
- i) **Saplings:** An article will be in the next Update magazine to see if anyone would like to have some saplings to plant. The saplings come in bundles for different types of soil. It was agreed two bundles would be purchased, one for clay soil and one for sandy soil, Graham and the Clerk will arrange the purchase. Any saplings not taken will be offered on a stand at the Parish Assembly. **Action:** Graham Howland, Clerk
- j) **Wanden Lane:** Lois has drafted a letter for the Clerk to send to ABC planning department to check on what permission was granted. **Action:** Lois, Clerk
- k) **Lost Words book:** The Clerk has purchased two of the books at a good cost which will be presented to the Primary School. All agreed the books are really lovely. The Chairman will arrange for them to be suitably inscribed. **Action** Richard King
- L) **Marquees:** Pat requested a letter be sent to Cathy to thank her and Steve for carrying out all the hard work in cleaning the marquees ready for the next use, also for taking on the role of hiring out the marquees. All agreed, the Clerk will send the letter. **Action:** Clerk
- M) **Salt bins:** The Clerk has purchased some short handled sturdy plastic shovels which Graham has put into each bin around the village. Unfortunately one bin was missed off the list from KCC so another shovel will need to be purchased. It was suggested a few more be bought in case any go missing. **Action:** Clerk
5. **PCSO:** No report this month.
6. **Neighbourhood Plan Update:** The meeting held on 22nd January with the NHP Committee and EPC Cllrs was well attended. The NHP committee will have a stand at the Parish Assembly to be able to inform villagers as to progress. In the ABC 2030 plan for housing the area on New Road where the allotments once were is to be used for development. This land could potentially be used for access to Sunpatch where the older peoples housing will be situated. Richard will look into the cost of buying the land so EPC could be in charge of housing once developed. **Action:** Richard King

7. **Sale of shop:** Egerton Update magazine will detail the news that contracts are moving forward in order for the new purchaser to take over the shop. The shop will close on March 4th but the Post Office will remain open until contracts are exchanged.

8. **Village web site:** Richard will report following Committee meeting on 25th February.

Action: Richard King

9. **Dog Fouling on PC land:** The Playing Fields Committee (EPFC) and the Parish Council (EPC) have insurance cover for any incidents occurring on parish land. Jonathan has been invited to have a stand at the Parish Assembly to ask villagers to respond to the following regarding dog walking on the playing fields.

(i) Maintain the status quo but erect more warning notices

(ii) Only allow dogs on leads on the playing fields

(iii) Only allow night time walking of dogs (when owners can't see what their dogs are doing) on the playing fields if on leads (but allow 'off lead' during the day)

(iv) Ban dog walking on playing fields at night

(v) Ban all dogs from the playing fields at all times

10. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a *

Action

The Lord-lieutenant of Kent's civic service Tuesday 12 March 2019 All Saints church, Maidstone **Ambrose is to attend this but not to represent PC but another body. None of the Cllrs wished to accept the invitation this year.**

Letter received re: Games Barn- **Bill Smyth (Chairman of Games Barn) was informed of the letter which expressed concerns over the heating system. Bill has spare part on order for old heater and is looking at cost of putting in new heating. Bill was also part of the meeting with Hatch Engineering, it may be possible to have an overhaul of the heating when all other works are carried out.**

Note

Local Government Commercialisation: Generating Income to Support More Effective Public Services 6th March 2019: All 9/1

KALC Planning Conference: All + Lois 15/1

Introduction to Chairmanship, New Romney Town Council 21 February

Introduction to planning – Speldhurst: All + Lois 15/1

KALC Charity law event: All 15/1

NHP-Chris Hollands: All 15/1

Leader's Briefing – Modern Ways to Keep Our Residents Up to Date

Leader's Briefing – Residents positive about magazine impact: All 29/1

Kent bus feed-back portal: All + Over 60's 31/1

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Ethical Standards in local government: All 31/1
 South and South East in bloom: All 5/2
 NHS South Kent Coast CCG - first Engagement meeting Wednesday 13 February, 2pm-4pm: All 5/2
 Have your say on NHS urgent treatment centres in east Kent: All 5/2
 The Mayor's Celebration Dinner & Dance - Saturday 11th May 2019: All 5/2
 Resilience and Emergency planning: Pat 5/2
 Chief executive's bulletin Final local government settlement: Finance committee 5/2
 News from Applause Rural Touring: All 5/2

Web Items

December minutes
 February agenda
 Draft January minutes

11) Accounts

Approval of the accounts for the month, for cheques to be signed and Internet transfers to take place.
Proposed Peter Rawlinson **Seconded:** Pat Parr;

| Expenditure | | Cheque No | £ |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Reimburse Mrs H James | Goods | BACS | 100.75 |
| Bison | Village hall sign | BACS | 102.00 |
| Mrs H James | February salary | BACS | 685.94 |
| HMRC | February | BACS | 198.94 |
| | | | 1087.63 |

| Income | | | |
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Bank Reconciliation: Balance as at 30th January 2019 £10,134.73 less un-presented cheques as follows:

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| Sabine Chapman | marquee | 1330 | 319.99 |
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Actual balance = £9814.74 as at 30th January 2019

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Accounts for Egerton update magazine

| Expenditure | | Cheque No | £ |
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| Printbig | Print issue 13 | BACS | 1196.00 |
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| Income | | | |
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Bank Reconciliation: Balance as at 30th January 2019 £3,835.95 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

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Actual balance = £3,835.95 as at 30th January 2019

Accounts for Village projects

| Expenditure | | Cheque No | £ |
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| Interest | | BACS | 0.80 |
| Donation | Pre-school | 500100 | 236.50 |
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Bank Reconciliation Balance as at 30th January 2019 £19,639.51 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

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Actual balance = £19,639.51 as at 30th January 2019

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| Village Projects fund | |
| Pre-school move | = £10,675.65 |
| Village Hall | = £ 8,963.86 |
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| Total | = £19,639.51 |

Accounts for Neighbourhood Plan

| Expenditure | | Cheque No | £ |
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- a) Total Budget and Precept 2018-2019 £35,670
Actual amount spent to date is £25,905.49

- 12) **Public Discussion**
Richard King closed the meeting at 9.33pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 9.37pm.

- 13) **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:

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| 19/00073/AS | Egerton | Weald North | <p>Oaks Farm, Green Hill Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EY Erection of two storey rear extension with balcony, single storey side extension, proposed dormer & porch to front elevation and proposed 3 bay garage (revision to two storey element and garage as per planning permission 18/00615/AS and 18/00615/AMND/AS)</p> |
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No Comment

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| 19/00038/AS | Egerton | Weald North | Stour Cottage, Burnt Mill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9AX Erection of a cart shed |
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| 18/01833/AS | Egerton | Weald North | Lark Hill Cottage, Link Hill Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9BG Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of new single storey side extension and new first floor balcony and extension to existing dormers and new rooflight (revision to the design of the conservatory on planning permission 18/01160/AS) |
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No Comment

Awaiting decision:

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| 18/01696/AS | Egerton | Weald North | The Farriers, Mundy Bois Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9ER Prior Approval for a change of use of an agricultural building including land within its curtilage into a single residential dwelling and associated operational development |
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Decided planning applications:

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| 18/01742/AS Prior Approval Not Required | Egerton | Weald North | Redundant Agricultural Building at, Coach Road Farm, Coach Road, Egerton, Kent Prior approval for change of use from agricultural building and land within its curtilage to one dwelling house and associated operational development |
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| 18/01704/AS Permit | Egerton | Weald North | Appleby Grange, Green Hill Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EY Retrospective application for erection of double garage |
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| 18/01706/AS Permit | Egerton | Weald North | Barn at Wanden, Wanden Lane, Egerton, Kent Erection of timber fencing and hardstanding (retrospective); change of use of land to residential |
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| 18/01555/AS Prior Approval Not Required | Egerton | Weald North | Skidd Farm, Stone Hill Road, Egerton, Kent Prior notification for the proposed change of use of an agricultural building and land within its curtilage to three residential dwellings and associated operational development |
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14) Any other business/information:

- Parish Assembly- **Thursday March 21st at 7.30pm in the Millennium Hall**
- Spring Clean- **Saturday March 23rd at 10.00am meet in the Millennium Hall car park**
- WI 100- **Request received to place 100 flowers made from recycled materials on the grass bank behind the disabled parking area from May 31st to June 14th. All agreed to this request.**
- Steps from Rock Hill Road to car park-Tim. **Following a request for large amount of debris to be cleared, Graham and Peter have offered to attend site one weekend.**

The meeting closed at 9.57pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 5th March