

EASTLEACH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12th April 2023

Present: Cllr Lawson Cllr Baskin
Cllr Bailey Cllr Fenton
Cllr Ivey Cllr Taylor

In attendance: Vanessa Lawrence (Clerk), District Cllr Andrews, Mr D Fowles, 3 MOP'S

- 163 22/23 Apologies for absence
Apologies were received from Cllr Lauder
- 164 22/23 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda
Cllr Lawson declared a pecuniary interest in Item 174 New planning application
- 165 22/23 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th March 2023
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 8th March 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr Bailey, seconded Cllr Fenton – all in favour.
- 166 22/23 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation, if members of the public are present - there is a 10-minute time limit
It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting for Public participation, proposed Cllr Bailey, seconded Cllr Lawson – all in favour.

Q: Could anything be done about the parking on the village green near the war memorial. People are parking on the green even though there are other places to park. Could bollards be placed at this location?

A: The Clerk to seek advice from Glos. Highways

2 MOP's left the meeting

- 167 22/23 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation, if applicable.
It was **RESOLVED** to reconvene the meeting following public participation. Proposed Cllr Bailey, seconded Cllr Ivey - all in favour.
- 168 22/23 Clerk's Report
None

169	22/23	<p>Chairman's announcements</p> <p>None</p>
170	22/23	<p>To receive report from District/County Councillor</p> <p>The District Cllr's report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Andrews pointed out that this minimal as the pre-election period was being observed. The report is as follows:-</p> <p>Cabinet Meeting: 13th March - Topic covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business rates relief (Hospitality and Leisure Scheme) • Performance report • S106/CIL monitoring • UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund (See later) • Council tax/Vacant Buildings • Designation of land within Cotswold District as a Rural Area • Sustainable Transport • Contract award – Leisure and Culture facilities <p>Council Meeting: 15th March –included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leisure and Culture Contract Award • Updated member code of conduct – Gloucestershire wide. • Constitution Changes <p>Overview & Scrutiny Meeting: 21st March – Topics covered</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Priority and Service Performance Report 2022-23 Q3 • Task & Finish Group – Performance Management & Reporting • Update on Informal Work Plan Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK Shared Prosperity Fund and Rural England Prosperity Fund – NFTR • Implications of Elections Act 2022 (Voter ID implications) [Comment: CDC Ad campaign just started. Use of Postal Votes as voter ID not required] • Thames Water/Cotswold Canal – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NFTR • Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning and Development. Currently understaffed and subject to further work on process under the Planning and Development Review. ○ Planning Enforcement. Two Staff (including a consultant) are dealing with a large number of cases across the District. <p>Locally:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 41 Eastleach – Garden Room <p>Forthcoming Meetings:</p> <p>26th April – Planning Committee (10:00hrs) NOTE: Change of date and time.</p> <p>27th April – Audit Committee (16:00hrs)</p>

Cllr Andrews reminded Cllrs that the Pre-election period was being observed. There are currently no contentious planning applications. New Councillors would be in place as of 9th May following the election on the 4th May.

- 171 22/23 To receive Reports from Councillors to include any meetings attended
None – See below
- 172 22/23 Updates from meetings attended and to consider and agree any actions to be taken :-
- Glos. Highways – 9th March 2023 – Cllrs Baskin and Ivey
Report circulated prior to the meeting. Notes filed with the Minutes. – No comments received.

PLANNING

173 22/23 Decision notices

22/04151/OUT: Outline planning application (all matters reserved) for the erection of a dwelling including the creation of new residential curtilage and associated works at Land southwest of Manor Farm House, Eastleach – Awaiting decision – Expiry –09/3/2023 (Extension) – **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**

23/00456/TCONR | Remove all Ash Trees (approximately 8) overhanging the footpath going to and from the Church at Cote Mill, Fyfield, Eastleach GL7 3NP – **NO OBJECTION**
23/00633/TCONR: Cupressus Sempervirens. We would like to fell the tree as it is blocking light and too close to our patio at 33 Eastleach Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 3NQ – **NO OBJECTION**

23/00609/TCONR: See Plan (B). 1 Sycamore - lift crown and reduce height by 2m. 2 Sycamore - reduce the height by 2m. 3 Ash - Lift Crown - reduce the height by 2m. 4 Sycamore- Fell. 5 Sycamore- Reduce height by 3-5m. 6 Sycamore- Fell. 7 Sycamore - Possibly reduce height by 2m. 8 Ash - Reduce height by 3m. 9 Sycamore - Remove 1-3 over hanging branches at 1 Eastleach Cirencester Gloucestershire – **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**

23/00249/TCONR: Pollard 4 small willows, cut back limbs over the river Dismantle and remove 13 Ash Trees suffering with Ash Die Back at Cote Mill Fyfield Eastleach Lechlade Gloucestershire GL7 3NP – **NO OBJECTION**

23/00104/FUL: Erection of two storey rear extension and single storey rear extension and other associated works at 3 Blunts Hay Eastleach Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 3NJ – **PERMIT**

Cllr Lawson left the meeting

174 22/23 New Planning Applications

23/00825/FUL: Erection of single-storey rear extension at 4 Eastleach Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 3NQ – Validated 22.3.2023 Expiry 21.4.2023 – **NO OBJECTION**

23/00768/FUL & 23/00769/LBC: Erection of roof over existing rear courtyard and conversion into utility and plant room. Replacement window. Dining room alterations with addition of doors and other associated works at The Old Rectory Locombe Hill Eastleach Martin Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 3NW. Validated 15.3.2023 Expiry 13.4.2023 – **NO OBJECTION**

23/01187/TCONR: Works to trees in conservation areas for Apple tree – Fell. There is extensive decay at the roots and the tree is leaning dangerously. The proposed works are therefore to cut down and remove the tree completely before its condition worsens and causes damage to people or property at Causey Barn, Eastleach GL7 3NQ. **NO OBJECTION**

23/01222/TCONR: Works to trees in conservation areas for T1 Prunus (identified in blue on the attached plan) – fell to ground as the tree is self-sown a poor specimen and is too close to the boundary wall and building, and is likely to cause structural damage at 4 Eastleach.
GL7 3NQ – NO OBJECTION

FINANCE

- 175 22/23** To consider and approve, payments to be made – April 2023
The payments schedule had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** to approve payments (£577.21). Proposed Cllr Lawson, seconded Cllr Ivey – all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange payments.

- 176 22/23** To consider and agree cashbook and reconciliation at end of March 2023 (Year End)
The cashbook and reconciliation was circulated prior to the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** to agree cashbook and reconciliation at end of March 2023. Proposed Cllr Lawson, seconded Cllr Ivey – all in favour.

OTHER MATTERS

- 177 22/23** To consider and agree to adopt a ‘Vexatious Complaints Policy’.
Examples of Vexatious Complaints policies had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllrs to choose the most suitable policy which will be amended to suit the requirements of this Council. It was **RESOLVED** to agree to adopt a Vexatious Complaints Policy. Proposed Cllr Bailey, seconded Cllr Lawson – all in favour.

ACTION: The amended version to be circulated to Cllrs for their records.

- 178 22/23** To receive information relating to ‘The Pound’, land adjacent to No. 1 Eastleach, and agree the way forward.
The land known as ‘The Pound’ was discussed. The land is not registered and it was unclear as to who owns the land. The homeowner adjacent to this land has been contacted to seek further historical information and any other information that might shed some light on this matter. Further details will be reported at a future meeting.

ACTION: This item to be reviewed when further information is available.

- 179 22/23** To receive quotes for repair of bus shelter roof and to agree which quote to accept.
Quotes had been received to replace or repair the bus shelter roof. Following debate it was **RESOLVED** to repair only, the roof at a cost of £2170 exc. VAT. (P. Morse roofing Ltd). Proposed Cllr Fenton, seconded Cllr Ivey – all in favour.

ACTION: Contractor to be contacted to advise – Cllr Lawson

- 180 22/23** To consider and agree help out tasks and allocation for Coronation Monday events.

Discussion took place and Cllr Ivey said that she would be help between 10am – Noon. Cllrs Ivey, Lawson and Baskin to co-ordinate. – All in favour.

181 22/23 To receive information relating to new noticeboards and to agree the best quote.

Cllr Baskin had researched this and has obtained three quotes. Following debate it was agreed to purchase recycled material noticeboards x 3 at a cost of £3990. Proposed Cllr Baskin, seconded Cllr Lawson – all in favour.

ACTION: Order to placed – Cllr ?

182 22/23 To receive progress report on Village survey

Cllr Baskin reported that GRCC would be able to help with collating information received from the survey. Discussion took place regarding how best to distribute the survey and it was suggested that this might be possible to hand out on Polling day at the polling station. District Cllr Andrews advised that this might not be possible given the various rules that have to be followed for polling stations and suggested that advise is sought from CDC electoral services.

ACTION: Clerk to contact CDC to obtain advice

183 22/23 To consider and agree best location for the ‘Frolics’ banner.

It was **RESOLVED** locate the ‘Frolics’ banner at the T-Junction – gate on the Hatherop Road at the entrance to the village. Proposed Cllr Lawson, seconded Cllr Bailey – all in favour.

184 22/23 Anything the Chair considers urgent.

- **Tree planting – Village Green.** Cllr Lawson reported that a tree is to be planted on the green. This to be formally approved at the next meeting.
- **Coronation Fund** – Cllrs agreed to contribute £250 towards the Coronation fund from the Bazley Fund – this to be formally approved at the next meeting

ACTION: Clerk to add both the above items to the Agenda for the next meeting.

185 22/23 To consider and agree date of next meeting – Wednesday 10th May 2023.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

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