

LITTLE EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd April 2015 at 8.50pm in the Memorial Hall

Present: Sue Gilbert (Chairman), Eileen McKendry-Gray (Vice-Chairman), Chris Audritt, Doug Wyatt, Chris Hindley, Jackie Deane (Clerk). There were no members of the public present. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs John Willson and Lawrence Smith. Chris Hindley declared an interest in the Cricket Club item as he is the president of the club.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting** were signed by the Chairman as a true record.
2. **Public Forum** – No public comments.
3. **Cricket Club Agreement** - The document was signed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman, which included previously agreed additional wording.
4. **Donations to local groups and charities** to be paid at the next meeting: Alexia Wilson Trust £25, Gardens of Easton Lodge £25, The Five Parishes £50.
5. **Telephone box** – It was resolved that the telephony should be kept in the box until there is full mobile coverage in the village.
6. **Representatives' reports** – S Gilbert reported that tree work for the second year of planned works has been completed satisfactorily and the play equipment has been checked. She recommended that older children would benefit from investing in a new basketball net and putting down a concrete base, perhaps using the district councillor's grant.
7. **Clerk's report and correspondence** – The Clerk attended a briefing session at the UDC Offices, where an update was given on the process which will be followed to consult and inform on potential sites for development as part of the draft local plan. Information was received on maintenance for the zip wire. Correspondence was received from a resident regarding road safety Manor Road.
8. **Planning** – Highwood Quarry **ESS/11/15/UTT** application for a porta-cabin at B Lodge, **UTT/15/0892/LB** insertion of 3 roof lights at YewTree Cottage, Park Road and **UTT/15/0776/LB** internal alterations to Plowlands, Laundry Lane – no comment. **Decisions** – Approvals of **UTT/14/3642/HHF** - Ripley, Duck Street, single storey side extension and porch, **UTT/ 14/3664** - Woodlands Park Sector 4 Pumping Station, **UTT/15/0189/HHF** Tower House, Easton Lodge annexe and **ESS/45/14/UTT** Highwood Quarry permission for importation of inert waste, silt press and soils washing plant.
9. **Finance – Opening balance £10,523.25**
Cheques – Pleshey Tree Services £2,016, EALC £117.85, E-ON £22.55, MD Landscapes £336, A&J Lighting £152.10, SNH Garden Services £346, J Deane £442.23.
10. **Items for the next agenda** – agreements to include rent for gated access behind the hall and the beacon.
11. **Date of next meeting** – Annual Parish Council Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday, 20th May 2015 at 8pm in the Memorial Hall

Meeting closed at 10.05pm