

LITTLE EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6th July, at the Garden Room, Easton Farm, Duck Street, Little Easton, CM6 2JQ

Present: Cllrs Chris Audritt (Chairman), Doug Wyatt (Vice-Chairman) and Eileen McKendry Gray, Jackie Deane (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Foley (UDC), Walsh (ECC), Freeman (UDC), Sue Gilbert and Chris Hindley. There were no declarations of interest on agenda items
2. Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.
3. **Public Forum** - There were no comments on agenda items. A resident asked when the outcome would be known on the Land Securities Planning Appeal and the Chairman advised that the deadline for the decision was 20th July.
4. **Co-option of a new councillor** - Councillors considered applications from Mr Keith Mackman, a Great Dunmow resident, and Ms Jessica Rush, a Little Easton resident, for the one remaining vacancy following the recent election. Jessica Rush was duly elected.
5. **Donations** – It was agreed that a donation of £100 should be made to the Little Easton Defibrillator Fund, held by the Community Heartbeat Trust.
6. **Annual rent for access to gate at the rear of the hall car park** – item deferred pending further information.
7. **Recreation Ground:** to consider putting a concrete base for play when using the basketball net – item deferred pending additional quotes.
8. **Update on speed limit application** and other highways matters – Doug Wyatt has been informed that another speed survey in Duck Street will be funded by the County Council during this financial year. Doug asked for a minimum of 6 people to attend the next SpeedWatch meeting at 5pm on 20th October.
9. **Village sports day** – A provisional date was set for Sunday 13th September.
10. **Website** – It was decided that there would be no major review of content and Chris Audritt agreed to monitor and edit the content.
11. **Community engagement** and involvement – There was a general consensus that the Council should continue to publish information on notice boards, on the website and in the parish magazine and any new suggestions would be welcomed.
12. **Representatives' reports** – Doug Wyatt asked for feedback on the choices for fence behind the war memorial so that the grant can be submitted. Chris Audritt gave an update on recent donations made by the Alexia Wilson Trust.
13. **Clerk's report and correspondence** - BT has painted the telephone box in Duck Street. A meeting has been held at the UDC offices to re-start the process of forming a new local plan. ECC is consulting on the Replacement Waste Local Plan (RWLP), including preferred site allocations and objectives – comments due by 5pm on 30th July.
14. **Planning for consideration:** ESS/27/15/UTT - Essex County Council - parking area at B Lodge – site office for gravel pit – no objection.
UTT/15/1958/FUL - Proposed removal of condition 3 (No development shall commence until a foul water strategy has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. No dwellings shall be occupied until the works have been carried out in accordance with the foul water strategy so approved unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority) of planning permission UTT/14/3664/FUL – No objection to the removal of the condition for Anglian Water services to provide the foul water strategy as they request it should be the developer, so long as it is still a condition that the agreed strategy is completed before any new homes are built.

15. **Finance** – current account balance on 1st July was £13,443.69. Payments agreed RCCE £48, Activ Web Design £180, Broadmead Leisure £84, A&J Lighting £46.20, EALC £70, E-On £59.82, SNH Garden Services £108, MD Landscapes £312, J Deane £1,051.02, Post Office £214.20.
16. **Items for the next agenda** – deferred items from this meeting.
17. **Date of next meeting** – 9th September 2015 at 8pm in the Memorial Hall
18. **Meeting closed** at 10.50pm.