

**THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASINGTON VILLAGE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2013**

Present: Councillor J Andrews (Chair)  
Councillors M Burn, P Gibson, J Lee, T Murray, J Smith, and M Warin

Staff: Mrs G M Crute (Parish Clerk)

Also in Attendance: County Councillors D Boyes and A Surtess

EVPC  
13/14/067 **Apologies for Absence**  
**RESOLVED:** Apologies RECEIVED and APPROVED for Councillors L Morton and Mrs E M Hopper

EVPC  
13/14/068 **Declarations of Interest on Items on the Agenda**  
There were no declarations of interest.

EVPC  
13/14/069 **Public Participation**  
There were no members of the public present.

EVPC  
13/14/070 **Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013**  
**RESOLVED:** that the minutes be confirmed as a correct record to be signed by the Chairman.

EVPC  
13/14/071 **Minutes of the Meetings of the Cemetery Sub-Committees held 16<sup>th</sup> April and 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013**  
Members gave consideration to the minutes and the Clerk provided an update on the recommendations.  
**RESOLVED:-**  
i) the minutes be APPROVED;  
ii) that grave spaces be allocated for use between the trees at the top of E Section  
iii) that a review of the Cemetery fees be undertaken for consideration at the next meeting  
iv) that the planting scheme for the Cemetery as detailed be undertaken;  
v) that Councillors Andrews and Burn with the Cemetery Superintendent devise a scheme for the Memorial Garden

EVPC  
13/14/072 **Matters Arising**

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13/14/019 **Juniper's Pantry – Potential Destination Venue**  
– the Clerk was awaiting the result of the meeting with the Luncheon Club which was scheduled to take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013.

EVPC  
13/14/020 **Easington Village Luncheon Club** – the Clerk, Chairman and Vice-Chairman met with the Luncheon Club on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013 and an agreement had been reached regarding the use of the kitchen equipment.

EVPC  
13/14/049 **St Mary's Church Bingo** – the Clerk had written to St Mary's Church PCC.

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13/14/048

**Dalton Homes** – the Clerk advised Members that it was not feasible to place a metal storage container in Seaton Holme car park.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/073

**Police Matters**

PCSO A Leigh updated members on incidents that had occurred in the Parish since the last meeting.

Members raised the issues of off-road bikes using the Thorpe Road Playing field, traffic problems to the rear of Craig Terrace, obstruction at the junction on Southside opposite the Half Moon Public House and speeding problems along Thorpe Road and Stockton Road.

PCSO Leigh advised she would arrange for the Speedwatch to be undertaken at Thorpe Road and Stockton Road and would report back further on the other issues raised.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Leigh for her attendance at the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

*PCSO Leigh then left the meeting.*

EVPC  
13/14/074

**Report of the County Councillors**

County Councillor Boyes reported on the following issues:-

- Residents had raised concerns about a potential development near to Nursery Gardens – the Planning Department had not received any enquires to date
- The approval of outline Planning Permission for the development at Lowhills Road
- Problems with the Kings Head Development
- A new bin at the Green Seat
- Community Safety Village Walkabout to be extended to Easington Village

County Councillor Surtees reported on the following:-

- Following complaints about overgrown vegetation at the Garth Footpath arrangements had been made for the area to be cut – at present this had not been done fully and was being pursued
- POP (Problem Orientated Policing) Easington Police team had been shortlisted down to the last 16 for an Award for their work.
- Potential Joint Ward Surgeries between Easington Village Parish Councillors and County Councillors

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED and arrangements be made in the future for a joint surgery to be held at Seaton Holme.

*County Councillors D Boyes and A Surtess then left the meeting.*

EVPC  
13/14/075

### **Seaton Holme – Repairs to Windows**

The Clerk advised Members that as the work to be carried out was of a specialist nature then in line with Financial Regulations there was no requirement to consider 3 tender submissions. The Clerk also advised that since the agenda had been circulated Councillor Morton had found contact details of an individual who may be able to give a quotation for the repairs to the windows. Consideration was given to the quotation received from T J's Heating and Building Services. The Clerk advised that due to the specialist nature of the work it was difficult to obtain quotations for the work, as many firms say they will come to look at the windows and then nothing further is heard from them. The windows were in need of repair to prevent further problems from occurring.

**RESOLVED:** that the if another quotation could not be obtained within the next week then the Clerk be AUTHORISED to arrange for the work to be carried out as detailed in the quotation from T J's Heating and Building Services.

EVPC  
13/14/076

### **Report of the Cemetery Superintendent**

Members gave consideration to the report of the Cemetery Superintendent which had previously been circulated.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/077

### **In-Bloom Committee**

The Clerk advised Members that the In-Bloom judging would take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00 am. There had been planting undertaken by the In-Bloom Group.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/078

### **The Green Seat**

The Clerk advised Members that following complaints regarding the condition of the Green Seat and the litter bin in this locality she had requested a quotation for repair work to the Green Seat. Following correspondence with Durham County Council a replacement bin had been secured from the County Council. However, as the litter bin had been placed by the Parish Council clarification was required on who was responsible for emptying the bin. The Clerk was awaiting confirmation on who would be responsible for emptying the litter bin at this location.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/079

### **Parish Council Financial Status – Bank Balances as at 30.06.13**

The Clerk reported that the bank balances as at 30.06.13 were £135512.49 in the Savings Account and £2432.00 in the Current Account totalling £137,944.49.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/080

### **Income and Expenditure Report to 30.06.13**

The Clerk updated Members on the Council's income and expenditure.

**RESOLVED:** that the report, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/081

**Bank Transfers**

The Clerk informed Members that the Transfers for June were £20,581.55 from the Savings Account and £1001.80 from the Current Account.

**RESOLVED:** to ENDORSE the Transfers.

EVPC  
13/14/082

**Invoices for Endorsement for Payment**

**RESOLVED:** to ENDORSE the following invoices for payment together with payments of donations/petty cash/payroll as previously agreed:-

DATE	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	CHEQUE NO/DD
08.05.13	Unicom	Phones/Broadband	£88.61	DD
13.06.13	Payroll	Week 10 – Nett Wages	£1026.16	DD
30.06.13	Payroll	Month 3 – Nett Wages	£4382.80	DD
01.07.13	Scottishpower	Cemetery – Electricity	£1.00	DD
01.07.13	Scottishpower	St Mary’s Church – Electricity	£108.33	DD
01.07.13	N-Power	Seaton Holme – Electricity	£192.00	DD
19.06.13	Barclays	BACS Charges	£3.00	DD
24.06.13	Northumbrian Water	Seaton Holme – Water	£947.37	DD
02.07.13	Northumbrian Water	Water – Cemetery	£41.95	DD
19.06.13	Durham County Council	NI and Tax Contributions	£531.40	DD
17.05.13	Carrs	Multi-Choice	£136.80	105740
13.06.13	IOS	Paper/Stationery	£31.75	105741
12.06.13	Sam Turner & Sons	Belt	£55.59	105742
28.06.13	CDALC	CDALC Subs	£382.54	105743
27.06.13	Durham County Council	Payroll Services 2013/14	£2001.52	105744
20.06.13	Ignis Contract Services Ltd	Fire/Emergency Light Service	£144.00	105745
02.07.13	P Robson	Summer Bedding	£3006.90	105747
30.06.13	IOS	Stationery	£101.74	105748
22.06.13	Plants R Ross	Compost/Feed	£329.98	105749
07.07.13	Plants R Ross	Plants	£99.00	105750
		<b>Invoice Total</b>	£13612.44	

105746 - £250.00 – Petty Cash

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13/14/083

**Income Received**

Name	Description	Amount
DML Jewellery Design Ltd	Room Hire	£72.00
Mrs E Brooks	Room Hire	£58.00
K F Training	Room Hire	£94.80
Durham County Council	Room Hire	£150.00
R Delanoy & Sons	Burial Fees	£237.00
Mrs D Patton	Burial Fees	£88.00
Sunderland Rd Allots	Allotment Fees	£54.00
E’ton Village WI	Affiliation Fee & Room Hire	£50.00
Woman Aglow	Room Hire	£24.00
Art Group	Room Hire	£30.00
R Delanoy	Room Hire – Burials	£381.00
E’ton Village WI	Room Hire	£20.00
Mrs D Robson	Room Hire	£40.00

Easington Village Luncheon Club	Room Hire	£125.00
Peterlee Town Twinning	Room Hire & Crockery	£50.00
Mr Crammen	Burial Plot	£176.00
Mr and Mrs Young	Burial Plots	£352.00
Hepworths	Burial Fees	£242.00
N Quarmby	Room Hire	£96.00
Mrs Maxwell	Burial Plot	£88.00
E'ton U3A	Room Hire	£10.00
Art Group	Room Hire	£30.00
		£2467.80

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/084

**Planning Applications**

PL/5/2013/0245 – Proposed Rear Conservatory at 17 Fennel Grove, Easington Village.

Reserve Matters (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout & Scale) Pursuant to Outline Permission (PL/5/2009/0548) Relating to Retail Unit (A1) Hotel (C1), Cinema (D2), Food and Drink Retail Units (A1, A3, A4 &A5) & Petrol Filing Station at Land at Dalton Park, Murton

**RESOLVED:** that no comments be made.

EVPC  
13/14/085

**Planning Approvals**

PL/5/2013/0150 – Proposed Two Storey Side and Single Storey Rear Extensions at 13 Rymers Close, Easington Village for Ms D Parkin

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/086

**Planning Refusals**

There were no planning refusals.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/087

**Planning Applications (Withdrawn)**

There were no planning applications withdrawn

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/088

**Planning Appeals**

There were no planning appeals.

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

EVPC  
13/14/089

**Samaritans**

Members gave consideration to a thank you letter received from Durham Samaritans for the Parish Council's donation.

**RESOLVED:** that the correspondence be RECEIVED.

EVPC  
13/14/090

**Durham County Council – Pension Fund Committee - Representation**

The Clerk advised on correspondence received from Durham County Council Pension Fund Committee with regards to representation on the Committee.

**RESOLVED:** that no-one was available to become a representative on this Committee.

EVPC  
13/14/091

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup>  
September 2013

**RESOLVED:** that the information given, be NOTED.

CERTIFIED TRUE RECORD

Chairman .....

Date .....