

# EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015  
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

1. **Present:** Peter Rawlinson (Vice Chairman), Roger Harper, Tim Oliver , Ambrose Oliver, Pat Parr, Alison Richey, Bill Smyth, Richard Wall and Heather James (Clerk).  
8 members of the public were also present.
2. **Apologies:** Richard King ( Chairman), Geraldine Dyer (Ward Councillor)
3. Peter Rawlinson chaired the meeting in the absence of Richard King
4. **Declarations of interest:** None

The minutes of the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015 : The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

**Proposed:** Alison Richey, **Seconded:** Pat Parr

## 5. Matters Arising from 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### a) **Footpaths and stiles:**

Hazeldene bridle way, the Clerk has contacted Mr Hope who explained that KCC had been out to the farm. The new bridge by the kissing gate is to be put in place. Mr Hope asked the representative from KCC to check the gate at the entrance of the bridle way. When the original works had been under-taken the work was carried out incorrectly with the posts being cut off, so not put into the ground deep enough, so after a while the posts began to move so the horse-catch did not work properly. Mr Hope has requested that KCC replace the existing gate and install a new gate and posts. KCC have the measurements and we await works to commence.

Brook gate, the footpath sign is now in the ditch awaiting renewal.

Green Wickets, while awaiting the outcome from Richard King checking with KCC about the possibility of diverting the footpath, Peter has offered to visit the owners. **Action** Richard King, Peter Rawlinson

### b) **Highways:**

Peter Rawlinson and Richard Wall are still working on the mapping of drains within the village, they are awaiting maps to compare from KCC. The Clerk has been contacted by highways with their list of the number of drains/gullies they believe are within Egerton.

After a request by the Clerk to KCC for a map showing drains KCC responded that it would be too expensive to provide maps to each location. Richard Wall will contact KCC to check if his information can be matched to KCC information.

The Clerk has requested some signage/chevrons be placed along the roadside at Brook gate, Forstal road. Highways have responded that as no accidents have actually been reported highways will not provide chevrons or signage. The Clerk will write again to try and find out costs of signs and if it will be possible for Egerton Parish Council to erect signs. The response from Highways that the cost would not be known until the works were carried out. **Action:** Richard Wall

### c) **Village confines:** Peter will report next month.

**Action:** Peter Rawlinson

### d) **Strong box:** Lois Tilden and Pat Parr have had two meetings and have begun the task of working through all the paperwork held in the archive cupboards. Pat reported they were making good progress; Thank you Lois and Pat for all your hard work.

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The Telecottage committee have offered to digitalise much of the information held of meetings in recent years.

**Action:** Lois Tilden, Pat Parr, Telecottage

- e) **Elm Close:** Bill and Tim have carried out the painting of white lines and chevrons as necessary. Thank you Bill and Tim for all your hard work.
- f) **Street cleaning:** Jim Steers has accepted the job on a permanent basis.
- g) **Parish Plan:** Jane Carr has sent to the Clerk a copy of version 8. This has been sent to Cllrs for comment. All Cllrs agreed that the Parish Plan Committee had worked very hard in compiling the plan. Peter and the Clerk will respond. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson, Clerk
- h) **Removable posts:** The posts have been installed by R James & Sons fencing at the top of the slope in the rec to stop cars driving down the slope behind Old School Court. An invoice has been received.
- i) **Pensions- a fact of work:** The Clerk reported that new regulations mean that all employers will be responsible for enrolling all staff in a pension scheme even if there is only one employee. Egerton has a staging date of 1 November 2016. **Action:** Richard King, Clerk
- j) **7<sup>th</sup> Rail Summit:** Peter will attend on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May and will report at AGM. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson
- k) **Community Governance:** Mr Bradley Waghorn of Woodside has replied to the letter sent by the Clerk and requested that the Council put forward a move of the Egerton boundary line to encompass Woodside. Peter will contact owners of High Banks and Horseshoe Cottage to follow up on letters sent by Clerk. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson
- l) **Notice Board:** Bill has nearly finished repairing the broken notice board and it will soon be ready to put back on the wall at The Queen's Arms. **Action:** Bill Smyth

### 6. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a \*

#### Action

#### Note

Highways drainage scheme: All 21/4  
My Community rights programme: All 21/4  
Thinking about Dementia: Sheila Palmer for Over 60's 21/4  
Driving & Surviving on Kent roads: All 23/4  
Nalc's direction of travel: All 28/4  
My Communities Rights programme 15-16: All 28/4  
Leader briefing note: All 28/4

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Parish Plan version 8: All 28/4

Report from Charlie Simkins: All 5/5

KALC membership survey: All 5/5 : **It was suggested Richard King might take this on.**

**Web Items**

WI Plant Sale 9 May 10.00-12.00

Elections 7<sup>th</sup> May

**7. Accounts:**

Approval of the accounts for the month, for cheques to be signed and Internet transfers to take place.

**Proposed** : Bill Smyth; **Seconded**: Richard Wall;

Expenditure		Cheque No	£
Mrs H James	Clerk April salary	BACS	525.98
HMRC	April	BACS	131.40
KALC	Annual subscription	BACS	418.27
Wealden wheels	Donation	1298	1000.00
Playing fields	Donation	BACS	400.00
Church clock	Donation	BACS	50.00
Parish magazine	Donation	1299	30.00
Village hall	Donation	1300	30.00
Telecottage	Donation	BACS	300.00
Mrs H James	Clerk May salary	BACS	623.50
HMRC	May	BACS	174.65
CPRE	membership	1301	36.00
Clerks & Councils direct	subscription	BACS	12.00
KALC	attendance	BACS	25.00
R James & Sons fencing	Bollards in rec	BACS	590.40
Green Thumb	Lawn treatment	BACS	70.00
			<b>4,417.20</b>

Income			
Warstock			1.43
KALC	Refund	500019	72.00
Ben Hope	Lower rec rent	500020	130.00
ABC	Bi-annual Precept	BACS	9,195.00
			<b>9,398.43</b>

**Bank Reconciliation as at** Balance as at 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015 = £23,048.13 Less un-presented cheques as follows:


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Actual balance = £23,048.13 as at 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015

**8. Public Discussion**

Peter Rawlinson closed the meeting at 8.29pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 8.33pm.

**9. 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/](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:**

<a href="#">15/00500/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Barn at Wanden, Wanden Lane, Egerton, Kent</b> Prior approval for the change of use of agricultural building and any land within its curtilage to one single dwelling unit and for associated operational development
<a href="#">15/00558/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>4 Stevens Close, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DZ</b> Two storey rear extension

**Support**

<a href="#">15/00514/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Barn, Forstal Farmhouse, Forge Lane, Egerton, Kent</b> Conversion of barn to two bedroom dwelling and demolition of existing barn to create ancillary outbuilding
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**Support. Clerk to enquire into E020**

<a href="#">15/00204/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Land East of Orchard Nurseries, Stonebridge Green Road, Egerton, Kent</b> Roof extension and single storey side extension to agricultural office and change of use to 2 bed holiday let
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**See Amended plans submitted.**

**Objection submitted as previously.**

<a href="#">14/00414/CONA/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Watersheet Farm, Bedlam Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DA</b> Discharge of conditions 6, 7 & 8
<a href="#">14/00415/CONA/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Watersheet Farm, Bedlam Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DA</b> Discharge of conditions 2 & 3(all parts).

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<a href="#">15/00474/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Land north of Wanden Mead, Wanden Lane, Egerton, Kent</b> Change of Use of land for the purposes of stationing a mobile home to be used as a staff mess room/welfare unit for agricultural/farm staff
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**Support**

**Awaiting decision:**

<a href="#">15/00374/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Newlands Green, Mundy Bois Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9ER</b> Removal of condition 5 (ancillary use) on planning approval 04/01046/AS (Alterations to existing garage block to provide ancillary accommodation to the main dwelling house (Revised scheme) to allow building to be occupied as a dwellinghouse separate to the main dwelling.
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<a href="#">15/00304/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>The Barn at, Box Farm, Bedlam Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9BY</b> Removal of conditions 2,3,4 on planning permission 02/00126/AS to remove rental restrictions on time periods and restriction to holiday let
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<a href="#">14/01378/AS</a>	Egerton	Weald North	<b>1 Woodlands Farm, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP</b> Repairs to structural timber frame; replacement of ground floor; replacement of windows with new; installation of 1no. new window opening to South elevation; replacement of window to West elevation with French doors; installation of rooflight to catslide; reinstatement of plinth &; weatherboarding; re-erection of internal partition walls.
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**Decided planning applications:**

<a href="#">14/01514/CONB/AS</a> Permit	Egerton	Weald North	<b>Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP</b> Discharge of condition 2
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10. AOB

- Notice board on Village Hall. **A request has been put in for a notice board on the Millennium Hall. The Clerk will look into cost.**
- Green Thumb lawn treatment. **Has been carried out.**
- A request has been put in for **a bench on the lower rec** near to the remembrance trees
- Community assets. **Action** Richard King
- Election: Bill Smyth has decided not to put his name forward for re-election. Peter Thanked Bill for all his hard work during his time in service for the Village.  
Roger Harper is also not putting his name forward for re-election. Thank you to Roger for all his hard work during his time in service for the village.
- It has been brought to the Council's notice that in the field on Bedlam lane near to Brook gate a barn has been installed and recently a caravan. The Clerk is to check with ABC whether any planning regulations have been broken. **Action:** Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015 AGM at 8.00pm