

EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 7th April 2015
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

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

The minutes of the meeting on 3rd March 2015 : The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Proposed: Tim Oliver; **Seconded:** Alison Richey

Richard King spoke of the sadness felt at the death of David Fredericks who attended Parish Council meetings regularly.

4. Matters Arising from 3rd March 2015

a) Footpaths and stiles:

Hazeldene bridal way, the Clerk is to contact Mr Hope about the gate as the horse latch is not working.
Brook gate, the footpath sign is now in the ditch awaiting renewal.
Appleberry Farm Pat has reported and is awaiting allocation of works.
Green Wickets, Alison and Pat have spoken to the owner following the problems reported by villager.
Pat has spoken to Michael Ellis at KCC to ascertain the costs involved in diverting the footpath it will be a minimum of £2000. The police have advised the owners not to allow their dogs to roam loose where the public footpath runs through their property. Richard King mentioned the possibility of the owners re-directing the footpath. He will contact KCC to find out if this would be allowed.

Action Richard King, Clerk

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 is to contact highways for their map of drains within Egerton.

It has been reported that the works on the potholes in Newland Green road had been completed.
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.

Bill has checked prices of signs from a company, £166 per sign plus £67.50 each pole.

Action: Clerk

c) Village confines: Peter will report next month.

Action: Peter Rawlinson

d) Strong box: Lois Tilden has kindly offered to go through all paperwork held in the archive cupboard and see how much needs to be kept in a strongbox, Pat Parr has kindly offered to help.

Action: Lois Tilden, Pat Parr

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- e) **Elm Close:** Bill and Tim will hopefully be able to carry out the work later this week.
Action: Bill Smyth, Tim Oliver
- f) **KALC event:** Cllr Tilden Reed from Charing is to hold a meeting with nearby village Chairmen to discuss the viability of a community handy-man. Richard King will attend this meeting and report back. The meeting has yet to go ahead.
- g) **Street cleaning:** Sadly Rob Hopkins has decided he wishes to retire, Thank you Rob for all your hard work. Bill will contact Jim Steers to ask if he would like to take on the job more permanently.
Action: Bill Smyth
- h) **Spring clean:** Pat reported that 12 people had turned up to help with the work. Thank you to those people and Thank you to Pat for organising.
- i) **Parish Plan:** A synopsis was available at the Parish Assembly, the Clerk will contact Jane Carr and ask for an update of progress ready for the May meeting. It was agreed the Parish Assembly was a great success and that the format should continue, hopefully next year a newsletter can be sent out just before to encourage more people to attend.
- j) **66 units:** The units in Charing are to be for extra care not just properties for the elderly so will not impact on the properties being planned for Egerton.
- k) **Removable posts:** Two posts are to be purchased and installed by R James & Sons fencing at the top of the slope in the rec to stop cars driving down slope behind Old School Court.

5. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a *

Action

*Pensions-a fact of work.- **The Clerk will follow up.**

Note

Kent Police & Crime Commissioner news: All 5/3

NALC Star Councils 2015: All 5/3

KALC event Neighbourhood planning: All 10/3 -**Ambrose attended and will submit a report.**

National Playing fields Annual conference.

autopa.co.uk posts for rec: All 12/3- **See 4k**

Pluckley Parish Neighbourhood Plan : All 17/3-**Pluckley have had their parish approved as a designated Neighbourhood and can now progress to produce a Neighbourhood plan".**

Community rights & Questionnaire on neighbourhood planning: All 24/3

KCC 7th Rail Summit: All 26/3- **Peter Rawlinson will attend**

KALC event VAT and employment: Finance committee 26/3

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Notice of Election: All 26/3

Inside track 225: All 31/3

Community Governance Review of Ashford Borough: All 31/3 **The Clerk is to write to 3 properties along Field Mill Road on edge of Egerton boundary.**

Came & Co Insurance newsletter: All 31/3

Newsletter KCC trading Standards: All 7/4

Rob Hopkins retiring: All 7/4-**See 4g**

*Oast to Coast magazine.

Web Items

6. Accounts:

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

Proposed : Alison Richey; **Seconded**: Bill Smyth;

Expenditure		Cheque No	£
Jane Carr reimburse	Parish Profile	BACS	120.00
ACRK	Membership renewal	BACS	35.00
Mrs H James	Clerk April salary		
HMRC	April		
Telecottage	BT office phone	BACS	48.54
Mrs H James	Parish Assembly/Stationery	BACS	69.86
			273.40

April salary for Clerk to be submitted following figures sent to HMRC end of tax year.

Income			
ABC	Recycling credit	BACS	3756.63
Warstock	redemption	BACS	152.13
ABC	Street cleaning	BACS	777.75
KCC	Funds for new chairs	BACS	1000.00
			5,686.51

Bank Reconciliation as at Balance as at 27th February 2015 = £19,470.09 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

KCC Planning application	Pre-school	1296	1155.00
Rob Hopkins	cleaning	1297	123.25
			1278.25

Actual balance = £18,191.84 as at 27th February 2015

7. Public Discussion

Richard King closed the meeting at 8.50pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 9.00pm.

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8. 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/ Individuals may also register via the website with ABC to receive regular alerts of new applications and decisions.

New:

15/00374/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Newlands Green, Mundy Bois Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9ER 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 dwelling house separate to the main dwelling.
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Support

15/00304/AS	Egerton	Weald North	The Barn at, Box Farm, Bedlam Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9BY 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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Support

Awaiting decision:

15/00204/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Land East of Orchard Nurseries, Stonebridge Green Road, Egerton, Kent Roof extension and single storey side extension to agricultural office and change of use to 2 bed holiday let
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14/01378/AS	Egerton	Weald North	1 Woodlands Farm, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP 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:

15/00363/AS Prior Approval Refused	Egerton	Weald North	Barn at Wanden, Wanden Lane, Egerton, Kent Prior approval of proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwellinghouse and associated operational development
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15/00064/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	2 New Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DT Erection of 1.5m fence to front of dwelling (retrospective)
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15/00087/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Newlyn, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP Replacement dwelling (part retrospective)
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15/00151/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Land adjacent to White House, Field Mill Road, Egerton, Kent Change of use of land for the keeping of horses and erection of stable block
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15/00092/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Erection of boundary walls and gates, erection of potting shed and greenhouse and close board fencing
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14/01514/CONA/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Discharge condition 1
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15/00016/AS Prior Approval Refused	Egerton	Weald North	Coldharbour Farm, Barhams Mill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DD Prior approval of proposed change of use of agriculture building to a single dwelling and associated operational development
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15/00056/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	Stonelea, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EB Creation of a vehicle access
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9. AOB

- Notice board- The notice board at The Queen’s arms is broken, Bill is to repair. **Action:** Bill Smyth
- Clerk’s hours- It was unanimously agreed to change the Clerk’s working hours from 14 to 17. The clerk will continue to do the same hours in the office, extra hours will cover work done at home and other work outside the office.
- KALC Subscription- It was agreed this should be paid. **Action:** Clerk
- Newsletter- After the election a newsletter will be sent out.

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- Meetings- Richard King will be away for 5th May so Peter will Chair.
- Tug of war rope- Jane White has offered to donate for use by the village. The Clerk will accept on behalf of the Council. **Action:** Clerk

The meeting closed at 9.25pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 5th May 2015 at 8.00pm