

EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting of the Parish Council was held on Tuesday 3rd February 2015
in the Committee Room of the Village Hall, Egerton at 8.00pm.

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

The minutes of the meeting on 6th January 2015 : The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of proceedings.

Proposed: Tim Oliver; **Seconded:** Roger Harper

4. Matters Arising from 6th January 2015

a) **Footpaths and stiles:**

The Clerk is to follow up the offer of the land owner at Hazeldene for a new gate to the bridle way. **Action** Clerk

The knocked down sign by Brook Gate caravans has still to be repaired.

The bridge across the water, by the new kissing gate just along from the bridle way at Hazeldene, has fallen on its side. Following an inspection it has been reported that the bridge has been put in the wrong place. When the weather improves a new replacement bridge will be put in the correct place.

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.

It has been reported that the works on the potholes in Newland Green road had been completed. This is not the case as only a few have been done. Another inspection was carried out and more works will need to be undertaken. Pat will check on progress.

The potholes by Goodwin House have been repaired.

Pat has reported a large pothole along New Road.

Action: Pat Parr

- ##### c) **Village confines:** Peter will report next month, as he is awaiting a response from Challock PC. Peter is also to contact ABC to ask Stephanie Viney in planning if there is a map available to show previous areas of confines. There is also the Egerton Parish Design Statement for Peter to consider. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson

- ##### d) **Strong box:** The Clerk has found a cabinet and the price but is to check it is fireproof.

Action: Clerk

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- e) **Recycling:** Bill Smyth has contacted Keith who is to provide the glass and paper banks, Bill will keep in contact until we have a firm date for delivery. **Action:** Bill Smyth
- f) **Elm Close:** Bill and Tim will carry out works in the dry weather. **Action:** Bill Smyth, Tim Oliver
- g) **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. **Action:** Richard King
- h) **Egerton pre-school:** Richard King reported that the planning application fee has been paid to KCC.
- i) **Kent police burglary campaign:** The Clerk has had an email from Paul Moorey and he is hopefully going to attend the March meeting. The Clerk will send an email to confirm. **Action:** Clerk
- j) **Street cleaning:** Bill is to check that Jim and Rob have met for Rob to explain all duties to be carried out. The Clerk has had confirmation from David Buckett on payments to casual workers for Parish. Regarding the street cleaner, the advice from the other Clerk is spot on. The easiest solution is for the person to submit a timesheet/invoice if he is happy to be treated as self-employed with the onus on him declaring the income to HMRC. A timesheet recording the days/hours worked is needed, with an invoice stating say 25 hrs x £10 = £250 with reference to the period covered, e.g. 1 Jan to 31 Mar 2015 etc **Action:** Clerk, Bill Smyth
- k) **Parish Assembly:** 18th March 2015 at 7.30pm Peter is to produce some posters in readiness for the Elections in May and liaise with Malcolm Laws who will post on Egerton web site. The Clerk will advertise the Parish Assembly on the web site and put up posters. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson, Clerk
- l) **Mobile phone masts:** Linde has sent off forms, Richard Wall will check on how things are moving along. **Action:** Richard Wall
- m) **Travellers Mobile Home at Egerton Road, Charing Heath:** Egerton residents have asked the Parish Council to follow this up and ask what ABC are proposing to do about the removal of these illegal buildings. Peter will follow up. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson
- n) **Chestnut tree:** The tree has been checked by an expert and been given a clean bill of health. No work needs to be carried out at this time.
- o) **Community Emergency Plan:** Pat has completed the new template and has given a copy to Cllrs for them to check and discuss at March meeting **Action:** All
- p) **Community Assets:** Richard King has forms and will fill in and report at a future meeting. **Action:** Richard King
- q) **Parish Plan:** Richard King has been in contact with Chris Burgess (Chairman) of parish plan and Jane Carr who has produced a draft plan. This will be discussed at a meeting in the Pavilion on Saturday 7 February that Peter and Richard Wall will attend. It is hoped the final Parish Plan will be ready to view at the Parish Assembly on 18th March. **Action:** Peter Rawlinson, Richard Wall

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- r) **Winter weather:** The Clerk has emailed Cllrs with link to ABC web page to show gritting routes. Egerton is on the secondary run following gritting of major roads.

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/what-we-look-after/winter-service/road-salting-and-snow-clearance>

5. Correspondence

All circulated by email in advance unless marked with a *

Consultation on future delivery of library registration and Archive: All 13/1

Fields in trust update: All 13/1

Flooding conference: All 20/1

HugoFox Community website: Richard 22/1

Election timetable for 7 May: All 3/2- **Following discussions the time table did not seem very clear, the Clerk will contact ABC for confirmation**

Event Alert: Finance committee: 3/2- **The Clerk is to attend**

KALC Annual planning conference: All 3/2

*Richard King had received emails from a resident concerning the delays in providing faster broadband for Egerton. It was promised for December 2014 but postponed to a later date. The start date is on hold but could be between July 15 and January 2016. Richard will follow up by contacting BT and KCC.

Action: Richard King

6. Accounts:

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

Proposed : Bill Smyth; **Seconded:** Peter Rawlinson;

Expenditure		Cheque No	£
BT	Transfer to Telecottage	BACS	49.81
KCC Planning application	Pre-school	1296	1155.00
KALC	Training	BACS	72.00
Reimburse Mrs H James	Stationery Clerk	BACS	91.27
Mrs H James	Clerk February salary	BACS	525.78
HMRC	February	BACS	131.60
			2,025.46

Income			
Donation	Pre-school move	500018	323.00
			323.00

Bank Reconciliation as at Balance as at 30th December 2014 = £20,738.43 Less un-presented cheques as follows:

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Actual balance = £ 20,738.43 as at 30th December 2014

7. Public Discussion

Richard King closed the meeting at 8.37pm for the public discussion, the meeting re-opened at 8.57pm.

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:

Newlyn, following site visit by Councillors.

Richard King, Tim Oliver, Richard Wall and Ambrose Oliver attended. Richard Wall followed up the visit with a report, which has been saved with our copy of the application.

15/00087/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Newlyn, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP Revised scheme to planning approval 13/01416/AS for part two storey part single storey side extensions to include veranda to master bedroom, front extension and new front porch
15/00092/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Erection of boundary walls and gate and erection of potting shed and greenhouse

Support

15/00056/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Stonelea, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EB Creation of a vehicle access
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Support- Currently the two cars owned by the residents of Stonelea are parked on the roadside which creates a hazard for pedestrians and other drivers. This proposal would remove them and alleviate the current dangerous situation. The driveway would effectively be a widening of the existing access to the neighbouring house, The Cuillins.

14/00972/CONA/AS	Egerton	Weald North	Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP Discharge of condition 3
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Awaiting decision:

14/01378/AS	Egerton	Weald North	<p>1 Woodlands Farm, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP</p> <p>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.</p>
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Decided planning applications:

14/01514/AS Grant Consent	Egerton	Weald North	<p>Rockhill House, Rock Hill Road, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9DP</p> <p>Repointing of the rear, side and front elevations with lime mortar pointing and repair and/or replacement of brick arches to the front (South East) elevation.</p>
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14/01282/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	<p>Newlyn, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP</p> <p>Conversion of existing outbuilding to ancillary accommodation for visiting relatives and immediate family (retrospective)</p>
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14/01458/AS Permit	Egerton	Weald North	<p>Iden Barn, Iden Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9AR</p> <p>Proposed loft conversion including rooflights and changes to external fenestration</p>
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14/01460/AS Proposed Use/Development Would Be Lawful	Egerton	Weald North	<p>Newlyn, Newland Green Lane, Egerton, Ashford, Kent, TN27 9EP</p> <p>Lawful Development Certificate - Proposed - Installation of twenty eight 2 x 3.5kw arrays of solar PV panels to roof of garden shed, log store, dog pen &; WC</p>
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9. AOB

- Bill: Recycling bins for glass and paper: **Bill is still trying to have recycling banks placed in the village.**
- Richard King: Neighbourhood plan, Pluckley: Pluckley Parish Council are applying to have their parish designated a 'neighbourhood area' as the first step towards developing a Neighbourhood Plan. ABC invited comments but after a discussion members decided to make no comment.
- Powercut? Contact us leaflets.: **These will be distributed with next Newsletter**
- Pat: Spring Clean 4th April: **The Clerk will arrange for delivery of all necessary equipment.**

The meeting closed at 9.35

Next meeting: Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at 8.00pm