

EATON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 9th March 2016

Attendance: Parish Council - Mr R Christopher (Chairman), Mr L Wolverson (Vice Chairman),

16/21 Mrs C Hanks, Ms Mick, Mr D Richards, Ms. R Robinson and Mr. M. Johnson
plus Mr A Tydeman (Parish Tree Warden) and Cllr.S..Williams

Apologies for absence – PCSO Fiona Witcher

In attendance for the Public Question Time Trial - 1 member of the public was present.

Declarations of interest – NDP Item - Interest was declared by Mr L Wolverson,
Mr D Richards and Ms R Robinson.

Public Discussion.

16/22 a. Cllr Williams reported that Herefordshire Council appreciated the concern of parishes regarding the bad state of roads but were working within Government guidelines.

Minutes: No comments had caused amendments to the Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council

16/23 held on 10th February or the Extraordinary Meeting held on 19th February. These had been circulated and displayed and so were taken as read and approved then signed.

Matters arising

16/24 a. **Neighbourhood Plan.** Mr. Wolverson, Chair of the NDP Steering Group updated the PC and gave details of the arrangements for a full public meeting on 2nd April at 2.00pm in the Village Hall. The draft plan would be available and a flyer would be delivered to every residence in the Parish. It was proposed by Mr. Christopher and seconded by Mrs Hanks that the printing costs of these, estimated at around £200, and a comment sheet for completion at the public meeting, should be borne by the Parish Council – this was agreed.

b. **Littlemarsh Common.** Mrs Hanks reported that an Ash and Willow trees needed attention and proposed they were made safe. This was seconded by Mr. Richards and agreed. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the parish for work done by Mrs Hanks and her volunteers.

c. **Parish Council Changes.** The replacement of the Parish Clerk was now in the hands of HALC recruitment system and it was anticipated that there would be a handover following the audit of the 2015-2016 accounts in the early summer.

d. Parish Tree Warden. Mr Tydeman reported that he was now enlisted in the Herefordshire Tree Warden Scheme and would be attending monthly meetings. One matter that was being discussed was that Parish Councils should be made aware of the impact of planning applications on trees when they were considered. The Scheme was also appealing for any information residents might have on the 'Verdun Oaks' believed to have been planted in the county.

Planning. No new applications had been received.

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Finance a. The following invoices were agreed and cheques signed for payment:-

16/27 i. Tree Warden leaflet printing - £39.96.

ii. HC Uncontested Election Fee - £47.40

b. Lengthsman – The Chairman had scrutinised the invoices and claims of work done by the Lengthsman and the amount that the PC would be credited with under the scheme. There would be a small overspend but the current total of £3,465.60 was agreed and a cheque signed.

c.. D Addis – Playing Field and Ruckhall – Mr Addis had decided not to put in a counter bid for cutting the playing field but had not commented on Ruckhall cutting. PClerk to clarify.

Other Business:

16/28 a. MadSat rafters were granted mooring permission with the usual caveats.

b. The Village Hall was booked for PCC and EU Referendum voting on 5th May and 23rd June respectively

Date of next meeting :- Wednesday 13th April 2016 @ 7.30pm