

**ORDINARY MEETING OF EASINGTON VILLAGE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 1830 Hrs ON MONDAY 13th MAY 2024**

Present: Cllr W Day (Chair)
Cllr J Lee (Vice chair)
Cllr A Lumsden
Cllr A Childs
Cllr A Dent
Cllr S Gibbins

Staff: Mr P Moore (Clerk to Council)
Mrs H Hall (Deputy Clerk)

In Attendance: Mr N Fenwick

EVPC 24/25/014 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr A Surtees

RESOLVED: that the information given be NOTED and accepted.

EVPC 24/25/015 **Declarations of Interest by members on items on the Agenda**

None

EVPC 24/25/016 **Public Participation**

None

EVPC 24/25/017 **Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 08 April 2024 – to consider for approval.**

RESOLVED: That the minutes be confirmed as an approved and correct record, and as such were signed by the Chair of that meeting.

EVPC 24/25/018 **Minutes of the Events Management Sub Committee Meeting held on 25 April 2024 – to consider for approval.**

RESOLVED: That the minutes be confirmed as an approved and correct record, and will be signed at the next meeting of this sub-committee.

EVPC 24/25/019 **Councillor Vacancy - to consider an application for co-option to Council from Mr Neale Fenwick, a resident of Easington Colliery. Mr Fenwick gave a short resume on his interest in being a Councillor and his working life history.**

RESOLVED: To accept Mr Neale Fenwick as a co-opted Councillor.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Cllr Fenwick signed the declaration of acceptance of office and took a seat at the Council table.

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EVPC/24/25/020

Police Report

Crime and Anti-social behaviour incidents from 8th April – 10th May 2024.

Burglary – 0**Theft and Handling – 3**

10/04/2024 St Mary's Church – Report of theft of lead. Ongoing investigation.

22/04/2024 Local store – Theft from store, person identified.

25/04/2024 North Crescent – Items taken from residential garden, ongoing investigation.

Criminal Damage – 2

14/04/2024 Church Walk – Youth ASB leading to criminal damage. Easington NPT have attempted to identify this youth, unfortunately they couldn't be identified despite best efforts.

19/04/2024 Green Seat – Graffiti caused by 1 male youth. This youth was identified by Easington NPT and has now been dealt with. Youth has been referred to Youth offending Service.

Anti-social behaviour – 1

16/04/2024 Victoria Mews – Off road bikes.

Vehicle Crime – 2

19/04/2024 Craig Terrace – Theft of motorbike, bike was recovered, ongoing investigation.

08/05/2024 Parsley Close – Theft from a vehicle. Suspected identified and arrested at scene.

The next PACT will be held on Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at 6pm at The Parish Rooms, Crawlaw Road, SR83LP.

RESOLVED: That the information received in the Police Report be noted..

EVPC/24/25/021

Report from Durham County Councillors

To follow.

RESOLVED: that the information received be NOTED.

EVPC/24/25/022

Member Reports – Attendance at Meetings and Events on Behalf of The Parish Council

None to report.

EVPC/24/25/023

Financial Matters

A. Accounts for the year Ended 31st March 2024 – to consider for approval.

RESOLVED: that the accounts be approved and accepted which was then signed by the RFO and Chair.

B. Annual Governance Statement 2023-24 – to consider for approval.

RESOLVED: that the Annual Governance Statement 2023-24 be approved and accepted which was then signed by the RFO and Chair.

C. Annual Accounting Statement 2023/24 – to consider for approval.

RESOLVED: that the Annual Accounting Statement 2023-24 be approved and accepted which was then signed by the RFO and Chair.

D. 2023-24 Annual Internal Audit Report – to consider for approval.

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RESOLVED: that the 2023-24 Annual Internal Audit Report be approved and accepted.

E. RFO Report on the Effectiveness of Internal Control – to consider for approval.

RESOLVED: that the RFO's Report on the Effectiveness of Internal Control be approved and accepted.

F. Monthly Report – April 2024 (Attached)

- (i) Bank Balances at 30/04/24
RESOLVED that the Bank Balances be APPROVED
- (ii) Income and Expenditure report to 30/04/24
RESOLVED that the report be APPROVED
- (iii) Bank Transfers to 30/04/24
RESOLVED that the Transfers be APPROVED
- (iv) Invoices for endorsement of Payment
RESOLVED that the Invoices for payment be APPROVED
- (v) Income Received
RESOLVED that the report be APPROVED
- (vi) Bank Reconciliation at 30/04/24
RESOLVED that the report be APPROVED

G. EVPC Insurance Reinstatement Costs Assessment Survey 2024 – to consider for approval.

RESOLVED: that the proposal for the Insurance Reinstatement Costs Assessment Survey 2024 be approved and accepted.

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EVPC/24/25/024 **Planning Applications**

- a. **Planning Applications** – Planning Weekly Lists for April/May 2024.
- b. **Planning Refusals** – None to report
- c. **Planning Applications Withdrawn** – None to report
- d. **Planning Appeals / Objections** – None to report
- e. **Other Planning Matters** –
Easington & Hetton 2022 Traffic Regulation Order Amendment proposals (C151 Stockton Rd / Southside Easington)

DM/23/03617/FPA – Construction of 59 dwellings with associated works (amended description) on land north and east of Petwell Cottage SR8 3AT.

RESOLVED: that the information as given be NOTED.

RESOLVED: that DCC Highways Department Officers be invited to meet with EVPC Councillors to discuss road traffic problems in and around Easington Village.

RESOLVED: that DCC Planning Officers be invited to meet with EVPC Councillors to discuss planning issues and concerns regarding DM/23/03617/FPA.

EVPC/24/25/025 **Report From Clerk**

- 1. Cemetery & Grounds Sub Committee meeting Wednesday 15th at 1100 hrs.

It was **RESOLVED:** that the information as received be NOTED.

EVPC/24/25/026 **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for Monday 10th June 2024 in the Milburn Room, Seaton Holme.

RESOLVED: that the information given be NOTED

EVPC/24/25/027 **Exclusion of the Press and Public** – In accordance with Section 2 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

None received.

The meeting closed at 1945 Hrs

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Chairman *WSD*

Date *10/6/24*

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