

MINUTES of the Meeting of **Eversholt Parish Council** held on
Tuesday 28th September 2010 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Eversholt

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs M Gabrys (Chair), Miss J Common, Mrs F Newport-Hassan,
Mr P Richardson, Mr R Smith

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Mr B Wells, Mrs K Barker (Clerk)

56 Apologies for absence – Cllrs d’Anstee, Priestley and Chapman

57 Declaration of interests – Cllr Gabrys – Eversholt School, Cllr Common – Village Hall, Cllr Richardson – Village Hall, Cllr Newport-Hassan – Swimming Pool, Cllr Smith – Village Hall

58 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 27th July 2010 were approved. Cllr Richardson proposed, seconded by Cllr Newport-Hassan the approval of the minutes as a true record. All agreed by those present and signed by the Chair.

59 Matters Arising

59.1 Telephone Box – Church End

59.1.1 Adoption – letter from BT

The Clerk said that BT had returned a signed copy of the contract confirming the adoption of the phone box. BT would confirm completion of the adoption once the telephone equipment had been removed. The Chair said that the telephone equipment had been removed in the last few days.

59.1.2 Ideas for use – for discussion

Cllrs suggested using the box as a library, gallery or information point. The Clerk was asked to put an article in About Eversholt asking for ideas from residents. The Chair suggested that the box should be monitored once it is up and running.

60 Reports from Central Beds Councillors

Cllr Budge Wells apologised for the chaos of the roadworks in Woburn and said that it had not been planned well enough. The roadworks are now finished but the white lines still need to be done. On 20th October there will be comprehensive spending review announcements and he will confirm where this will have an effect. Cllr Wells said that he hopes that the A5/M1 link will go ahead and if so he will then push for a weight limit of 7.5 tons through Woburn. Cllr Richardson said he had written on more than one occasion to Central Beds regarding the new Central Beds signs that had been put up recently but he had not had a reply. He said he was concerned about the cost of the signs. Cllr Wells said that it was felt that taxpayers should be aware that they are living in Central Beds. He apologised to Cllr Richardson and said he should have received a reply and would chase it up.

61 Public Forum

PC Birch said that there had been three shed/outbuilding burglaries and a domestic assault since the beginning of August. A car window had also been broken. Cllr Richardson said he had nearly knocked down a man in black clothing recently who had not been wearing visibility clothing. He said that people should be aware of the darker evenings. PC Birch said he would mention this in his article in About Eversholt. PC Birch spoke about the changes to police boundaries and that some neighbourhood teams will become part of larger ones. Eversholt will now be part of Cranfield, Marston and Woburn neighbourhood teams.

62 Finance

62.1 Bank Balances:

Barclays Current Acct	£1,891.00
Barclays Business Premium Acct	<u>£3,263.77</u>
	£5,154.77

62.2 Cllr Newport Hassan proposed, seconded by Cllr Gabrys the approval of the following payments, all agreed:

Mrs K Barker – Salary	£169.20
Mrs K Barker – expenses, mileage and office allow	£ 58.39
BDO – External Audit	£ 58.75
BRCC - subscription	<u>£ 30.00</u>
	£316.34

62.3 Other finance matters:

62.3.1 Risk Assessment

The Clerk to compile a risk assessment and email to all Cllrs for consideration. **(Action Clerk)**

62.3.2 About Eversholt – invoicing for advertising

The Clerk said that there were some payments outstanding. She said that she would write again to say that if payment was not received by the deadline for the December issue of About Eversholt, their advert would be withdrawn.

(Action Clerk)

62.3 External Audit completion

The Clerk reported that the external audit had been completed and there were no issues arising therefrom.

63 Planning:

63.1 Planning Applications:

63.1.1 CB/10/03096/RM – Warren Wood, Fordfield Road, Millbrook – Development and use of land as a forest holiday village. Matters to be considered are appearance, landscaping, layout and scale. The site plan to be circulated in the correspondence folder and Cllrs to contact the Clerk if they have any queries.

63.1.2 CB/10/02928/FULL – 61 Hills End – change of use of land from paddock to garden. The Parish Council agreed no comment.

63.1.3 CB/10/02462/FULL – Builders Yard, Higher Rads End – erection of replacement building. Reconsidered from July Parish Council meeting. The Chair said that Central Beds had clarified the size and height. Cllr Richardson said that the design statement appears to be incorrect as there will be a 60% increase in the size of the building. This could lead to an increase in builders traffic on what is a narrow road. The Parish Council objected to the application.

63.1.4 CB/10/02866 – 5 Higher Rads End – first floor extension to existing bungalow, new porch, pitched roof over store and new double garage. Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on 23rd August – objection submitted. The Parish Council objected to the application with the comments that the extension constituted overdevelopment, no street scene analysis was done, the ridge height would have an impact, no measures of the elevation of the proposed garage were given. The Parish Council recommended that it be called to Committee and that a site visit by Council Officers be undertaken.

63.2 Planning Decisions: None

64 Highways and related matters

64.1 Highway Representative Report

Cllr Newport-Hassan said that she was in the process of trying to get 30mph roundels on the road between the Causeway and Church End. She had managed to arrange an annual double cut of the grass verges on the C100 in return for residents cutting the verges outside their houses. She said that she would put an article in About Eversholt thanking the residents.

- 64.2 Speeding
- 64.2.1 Speed Indication Device
PC Birch said that the Police would be willing to let the Parish Council use their device. Cllrs agreed to ask Steve Welham to do some further monitoring in the village. **(Action Cllr Newport-Hassan)**
- 64.2.2 Petition
Cllr Newport-Hassan said she would be meeting with Nick Chapman from Central Beds on Wednesday 29th September to talk to him about the petition and speed restrictions within Eversholt. Cllr Smith and the Clerk said that they would also attend. Cllr Newport-Hassan said that she would contact the chair with any recommendations from Nick Chapman for the Chair to make any amendments to the petition. The Chair said that she would then submit the petition in conjunction with Adrian Glew. PC Birch said that he would support the Parish Council. **(Action Chair)**
- 64.3 Litter – poster competition
Nothing further to report.

65 Village Committees – Representatives/Reports

Cllr Richardson said he would check whether two representatives from the Parish Council were required on the Parochial Charity.

66 Other Village matters

- 66.1 Village Competitions
The Clerk said that one of her other Parish Councils entered the Best Kept Village Competition every year. Cllr Common said she would investigate. **(Action Cllr Common)**

- 66.2 Twinning with a European village or small town
Cllrs agreed that they were in principal in favour of looking into it further. The Chair said she would investigate. **(Action Chair)**

67 General correspondence (circulated in the correspondence folder):

CB/10/03096/RM – Warren Wood, Fordfield Road, Millbrook – Development and use of land as a forest holiday village – site plan
New Salt Bin initiative – Central Beds
Consultation of Central Beds Draft Empty Homes Strategy - questionnaire
Leaflets etc:
Update on the Covanta proposal – letter from Central Beds, New Cultural Olympiad Webpage, Site Allocations Development Plan Document- table of changes letter, Bedfordshire Matters, Local Council Review, BATPC Bedfordshire Bugle, Flashcam leaflet, English Heritage – places of worship, No need for nuclear letter and information, Land Registry letter, Commentree newsletter, Fieldwork, Central Beds childcare assessment leaflets, Sustainable Community Strategy prospectus – Central Beds, BRCC Network newsletter

- 68 Date and place of next meeting: Parish Council Meeting
26th October 2010
Village Hall, Eversholt**

The meeting closed at 9.05pm