

EATON BRAY PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE REPORT

Due to Government guidelines, it was approved by the Parish Council to carry out Parish Council Monthly meetings via remote/email with all matters actioned/approved as a monthly update report.

Parish Councillors: Cllr Marie Brewer, Cllr Helen Chubb, Cllr Joan Conner, Cllr Adam Richardson,
Cllr Mike Simkins, Cllr Mark Tomkins

Parish Clerk: Heidi Head

Update: 3rd August 2020

Following is a list of actions carried out by Eaton Bray Parish Council since our last report on 6th July 2020.

- (1) Monthly Payments: All approved monthly payments for July 2020 to be paid through on-line banking (attachment 1).
- (2) Planning Applications: The Parish Council approved/actioned their response to planning applications received (attachment 2).
- (3) The Cemetery: We have had one burial in June. We had an application for a burial within a current plot. The details supplied by the next-of-kin do not match the records we hold. The original burial took place in 1986. However, after going through all PC records, we do not appear to hold any paperwork supporting this location/deceased. The Parish Clerk written to Bedford Archives and requested an inspection of our Cemetery burial records. The basic inspection showed no paperwork for the deceased, so we are now requesting a more detailed inspection of all paperwork held in archives. To ensure we have as much detail as possible the Parish Clerk has also applied for a copy of the death certificate and contacted the original funeral directors for any original paperwork relating to this burial. In the meantime, to allow the new burial to take place, we agreed to a new plot for the current application.
- (4) Allotments: We have one new tenant [full plot]. A half plot has become available to the next person on the waiting list. Due to concerns raised regarding bonfires at the allotments, causing nuisance to local residents, the Parish Clerk has written to the allotment tenants explaining that although there is no law to prohibit bonfires on the allotments, however the tenancy agreement states, "...to not cause a nuisance or annoyance to the owners or occupiers of land adjoining the Allotment Garden"; we have asked tenants to take more care and give consideration to local residents.
- (5) EB Lions/Agreement 2020-2021: Cllr Brewer and Cllr Tomkins had a meeting with the club to go through the proposed Agreement in more detail. We are now waiting for their reply to the points put forward.
- (6) IDB [Internal Drainage Board]-Waterside/Mill End Close: our enquiry regarding the breakdown of the costs for the work to waterside has been received by IDB and we are waiting for their response.

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- (7) Holman's Field Bridge: We are waiting for confirmation from the contractors when the new flooring of the bridge is due to be carried out. Once completed the Village Handyperson will then rub down/repaint the current metal railings.
- (8) Recycling Bins-School Lane: The railway sleepers have now been fitted to the back of the bins to prevent the bins from moving backwards onto the grass.
- (9) School Lane Recreation Ground: Several complaints were received from residents concerning anti-social behaviour in the park, residents were advised to call 101 and report the matters. The police have attended (see Village Focus Group and Leighton Buzzard Police).
- (10) Village Focus Group: Cllr Brewer took part in a video meeting with members of the Village Focus Group and Chief Inspector Lee Haines. Cllr Brewer expressed concerns that complaints to 101 were being ignored, CI Haines promised to investigate the matter and to ask the local liaison team to get in contact.
- (11) Leighton Buzzard Police:
 - (11.1) Following several complaints of anti-Social Behaviour in School Land Recreation Ground, Cllr Brewer spoke with Sergeant Ben Craven, Bedfordshire Police who confirmed our current liaison officer is:
 - *PCSO 7540 Elle Vaughan-Springate, Community Policing Team, Leighton Buzzard
 - *Email: Elle.Vaughan-Springate@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk
 - *Tel: 01582 47(3465) - Mobile: 07720203979
 - (11.2) The police have now responded to complaints about anti-social behaviour and made several visits to the park.
- (12) Trees/Mill End Close: Concerns were raised regarding the height/spread of trees, the Parish Clerk has written to the resident requesting a meeting.
- (13) Village Litter Pick: A successful litter pick was held on Saturday 23 July 2020, a total of 12 people took part collecting 36 bags of rubbish and various other items. Thank you to all who took part, especially Roy Michel, who put out the signs, looked after the teams and collected all the rubbish together for collection by Central Bedfordshire Council.
- (14) Mike Makin: The Parish Council were very sad to hear of the death of Mike who was an integral part of the team to get the Neighbourhood Plan established.
- (15) Parish Council Meeting: The Parish Council are still planning to have a full Parish Council Meeting on Monday 7th September 2020, 7:30pm in The Coffee Tavern, 1st floor.
Should this change, due to Covid-19 guidelines, you will be informed.
- (16) Cllr Philip Spicer – Eaton Bray Ward report July 2020:
 - (16.1) Now Eaton Bray High Street has now been resurfaced and opened for the public – I am chasing up completion, i.e. white lines and double yellow lines to correct length.

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- (16.2) Still no news from Paul Salmon's team about moving the 30mph sign past the road crossing (jct. Dunstable Road/Harling Road) so will get a team meeting together with him and his team to discuss further.

Note: All matters actioned/resolved will be recorded, filed and included as attachments at the next full Parish Council Meeting as a true and accurate record of works carried out during this period.