

Minutes of a meeting of Eye Parish Council in the
Leeds Hall, High Street, Eye on Thursday 3rd December 2015
at 7pm.

Consultation with the public until 7.10pm – 3 present, no issues

Attendees: Mr R Butterwick, Mr S Duffy, Mr A Goodsell, Mr M Holmes,
Mrs D Magnus, Mr A Martin, Mr A Short, Mr P Smart, Coun R Brown and
Coun D Sanders
Chief Inspector Robin Sissons

180) Declaration of Interests

Mr A Short- Item 186 Voucher 107

181) Apologies for absence

Mr S Booth, Mr D Jackson and Mr A Smith

182) Policing

Chief Inspector Sissons attended the meeting to reassure the Parish Council that despite the cuts to the policing budget they are working hard to maintain the level of service and have effective front line policing.

The police currently have the following initiatives running.

Technology - so that each officer has an iphone type mobile which allows them to do their paperwork on and be out on the streets rather than in a police station and cuts down their travelling time and also cuts down the number of stations required and the costs for them. The officers can self deploy.

Collaboration – Cambs police has joined with Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire police with a central control room, central stores which gives better purchasing power and joint firearm, road traffic and dog units. This means they do have Skype briefings and may not always be close by when needed and will have to travel. Traffic officers based at Huntingdon.

Chief Inspector Sissons is based in Bayard Place and leads the Safer Peterborough Partnership. There are 29 police officer involved in it as the community policing team. There is council staff/fire service involvement with this multi-agency team. This department covers issues including road safety, anti-social behaviour housing. The members told the Chief Inspector that the poor service levels seem to be getting worse. The request for the Parish Council to pay for PCSO overtime to have them in Eye was ridiculous as we don't seem them in ordinary time.

The “Special Constable Scheme” – there are still special constables operating within the Peterborough area and a new initiative to recruit in the villages using a specific poster. These specials can then be in the village they live in and choose when they work. Specials are volunteers and have the same powers, training and uniform as a regular officer, they can claim travel expenses. It appears this is the best option to improve our policing and a campaign with Thorney Parish Council and advertising in Eyescan.

Crime Report - Burglary High Street, theft metal gates from The Crescent, theft of parcel from Beech Lane. 48hour enforcement awareness exercise across Cambridgeshire on 25th November which included Eye and Eye Green.

183) Items for City Councillors

Travellers once again parked at the Dogsthorpe roundabout.

The streetlights programme has reduced and repairs are taking longer.

A47 lights be on all day and off at night – not City Council.

The city centre Christmas Tree - installed and guaranteed by that company for 6 years.

Serious case review still to be published.

184) Minutes of the Last Meeting – held on 19th November 2015

Agreed and signed as a true record by the Chairman

185) Matters Arising

None

186) Finance

(i) Accounts for payment

The following accounts were approved for payment

<i>Creditor</i>	<i>Voucher Number</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Nett</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Chq No</i>
Mrs B Stanojevic	106	Wages - November	£568.83	-	£568.83	2946
Mrs S Short	107	Wages - November	£467.80	-	£467.80	2947
Mrs J Fisher	108	Wages - November	£200.00	-	£200.00	2948
Cambs CC	109	Clerks pension	£221.90	-	£221.90	2949
The Payroll Site	110	Payroll – 4/1 to 3/4	£17.25	£3.45	£20.70	2950

(ii)S137 payments - None

187) Planning

Applications

REF:15/01839/MMFUL The extraction, processing, sale and distribution of sand and gravel;the erection and use of a concrete batching plant;the establishment of an inert waste recycling facility;the use of inert residues for restoration together with necessary highway and access improvements at Pasture House Farm, The Causeway, Thorney. No comments

Decisions

REF:15/01576/FUL Proposed ground floor extension to form new kitchen at 33 High Street, Eye. Permitted

REF:15/01593/FUL Change of use from single storey detached garage to a two storey two-bed house at 112 Crowland Road, Eye Withdrawn.

REF:15/00922/OUT Outline application for redevelopment of Alpine Lodge, Cranmore Gate and Cranmore Bungalow, Thorney Road, Eye. The application has been referred to the Planning and Environment Protection Committee.

188) Eye Primary School – Report

The Christmas Fayre raised £2,259.

189) Cemetery

Still problems finding the stopcock – Anglian Water being consulted
Mortuary building work about to start

190) Allotments

191) Transport, Roads and Footpaths

Flower beds etc along the High Street not been done as they should. Outsourced to Amey.

Mr Butterwick reported that the speed cameras due to be taken down this week.

New cameras costs per unit £2,500 with 6year warranty. If the electricity can be sourced from lamppost it cost £10 pa. Solar panel £1,150.

192) Leeds Hall, Recreation Ground and Amenities

Very nicely decorated – thanks to the team.

Request for a better light near the entrance gate at the Pavilion.

194) Environmental Matters

Eye Nature Reserve – dog fouling remains problem

Well concealed tent seen there.

195) Other Correspondence

Mrs Stanojevic has now gained the Certificate in Local Council Administration.

196) Matters to be considered for a future agenda

None

197) Date & Time of next meeting – 7pm on 21st January 2016