

Draft Minutes of the of the Parish Council Meeting Monday 14th July 2025 7.15 pm Goadby Marwood Village Hall

Present: Simon Tong (Chair), Stuart Bridge & Mark Greasley

Borough Councillor Elaine Holmes

Clerk: Terry Brown

Members of the Public: 3 members

25/3139 Public Time

/1 Several favourable comments were received about the many improvements noted to parish facilities

/2 Several comments were received about Highway problems.

The clerk reminded them about the online Leics CC reporting tool at Report a road problem | Leicestershire County Council

available to all members of the public and which does work well if the complaint/problem is accompanied by photographs

25/3140 Apologies for absence

Parish Cllrs Andrew Robertson John Nelson & Laura Harrison County Cllr Bryan Lovegrove

25/3141 To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensations

None

25/3142 Borough and County Councillor Time

Cllr Holmes reported on recent developments in solar panels in the area.

25/3143 To approve the draft minutes of the meeting of the 19th May 2025

These were accepted by the meeting and signed by the Chair.

25/3144 To consider matters arising

/1 to consider progress with Goadby Marwood action re Priory Agriculture's approach to bridleways on the periphery of the Goadby Marwood towards Eastwell (Cllr Greasley)

Cllr Greasley reported that he had been informed that the matter is still in progress

25/3145 To receive the Clerk's report

/1 to note precept demands for adjacent parishes – see attached Noted



/2 to note the Clerk's report on Public Rights of Way (see attached)

The meeting agreed that this should be a standing item on all future agenda

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/3 to confirm the registration details of defibrillators on communityheartbeat.org

The Clerk reported on changes to the registration of defibrillators to the national database

Cllr Greasley agreed to put the access codes for the Eaton and Goadby defibrillators attached to the machines.

action Cllr Greasley

The meeting agreed to consider a new training session for defibrillators at the next meeting

/4 to report on allotment matters

The meeting noted the Clerk's continuing concern about the poor state of working on several allotments.

Councillors considered ways to increase demand for plots and a wider scale advertising is to be conducted whenever possible - see 25/3152/1

Cllr Greasley proposed that progress should be made on a long term strategic review of Parish Council assets

/5 to note recent reports that the Government might allow hybrid meetings at some future date.

Noted

6 to note the withdrawal of Government funding for Neighbourhood Plans

Noted

25/3146 Councillors reports

/1 to receive an update on maintenance issues (Cllr Bridge)

Cllr Bridge reported extensively on recent maintenance jobs completed: Eastwell dog-bins on Scalford Road adjacent to the graveyard and at the north end of Stanley Lane have been installed. All three villages are now well equipped with bins. Biffa have been notified of the locations and they will be emptied every Wednesday morning.

The broken gate post located on the rear entrance to the community park allotments has been replaced.

The phone-boxes in Eastwell and Goadby M still need painting and will be completed by early next month. There is some tidying up still outstanding in the cemetery on Vicarage Lane and this is in hand.

The overgrown foliage on the elevated footpath with handrail on Main Street and also on Church Walk has been cleared to give unhindered access.

The un-named footpath between Chapel Street and Main Street should be cleared shortly.

Footpath F36/1 from Bottom Farm to Catshill has been cut to allow better access and would like to thank Marcus Hubbard and Mick Watchorn for their help.

The blackthorn hedging planted by the PC in the unauthorized entrance into the "caravan" field on Branston Road is growing very well and should achieve its purpose in the next year, thanks to Simon for regular watering.

Work on a guard rail is in progress and hedge cutting is being negotiated. The meeting agreed that a report on maintenance should be a standing agenda item.

/2 to receive a progress report on the possible purchase of a VAS

The meeting agreed that the purchase of two additional VAS should be considered at the Budget meeting in November.

In addition the meeting agreed to consider the possibility of engaging a consultant to review current problems and how best to implement effective solutions -to be discussed at the next meeting.

25/3147 Correspondence

Emails:

21/5/2025 Denise Kitson re Goadby Marwood traffic speeds

6/6/2025 Leader of Melton Borough Council re Council Tax Relief for Flooded

Properties

In addition:

12/7/2025 John Wood re Volunteers needed for Eastwell History Group

Simon Tong has agreed to be a Trustee

25/3148 Planning:

/1 25/00257/LBC Old Moores Cottage 34 Main Street Eaton Removal of cement render on front and rear brickwork and either; a. subject to the condition of brickwork repointing with appropriate lime mortar as an alternative and leaving surfaces unpainted

Doff steam cleaning paint removal of brickwork under archway and repointing in lime mortar or; b. replacement of cement render with non-hydraulic lime render (smooth float finish) and painted with Earthborn off white silicate exterior paint and; Repainting off white drain pipes under passageway in black

No objection

25/3149 Eaton

25/3150 Eastwell

25/3151 Goadby Marwood

Councillors were made aware of the poor state of a seat on the road into the Village and which had previously been repaired. See 25/3152

25/3152 To consider matters for discussion and resolution

/1 to consider a Parish Council newsletter

Councillors considered the advantages and disadvantages of such a proposal and were mindful of the considerable difficulty in sourcing in the long term sufficient newsworthy material to fill such a communication.

Therefore they decided a better way to enhance the Parish Council's public profile would be to make more extensive use if the existing Yellow Pages and the Clerk is to contact the Editor to see if this is possible.

action Clerk



/2 to consider the purchase a new bench for the Cemetery (Cllr Tong)

The Clerk reminded the meeting of the maintenance issues for all seats and that perhaps non wood seats should be considered.

Cllr Greasley is to source a potential supply.

action Cllr Greasley

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In addition:

/3 Councillors agreed to make a 50% payment of £70 towards the cost of repairs to lighting on the steps at Eaton Village Hall

25/3153 Finance

/1 The following May and June 2025 payments were approved

T Brown re annual Zoom subs	19	18/05/2025	65.68
ACL property	20	18/05/2025	221.20
Clear Councils re annual insurance	21	19/05/2025	736.69
Eaton Community Park	22	20/05/2025	1,500.00
Bank charges		21/05/2025	5.00
T Brown re May salary	23	22/05/2025	570.01
SSE inv 2905406	24	29/05/2025	505.58
Burnt Oak inv 03794	25	02/06/2025	408.00
Glasdon inv 1913166	26	11/06/2025	285.00
Paul Baxter	27	11/06/2025	2,199.58
Eon re maintenace	28	11/06/2025	84.00
SSE inv 2973004	29	17/06/2025	166.90
bank charges		21/06/2025	5.00
G Marwood VH	30	23/06/2025	24.00
T Brown re june 25 salary	31	23/06/2025	570.21
T Brown re 1st qtr expenses	32	23/06/2025	221.60
V Haslam re noticebd paint	33	28/06/2025	44.00
Foxwise accting	34	30/06/2025	72.00
Burnt Oak re inv 03837	35	30/06/2025	408.00
Eaton VH re Vale Hire	36	01/07/2025	30.00

/2 Bank accounts at 1.7.2025 were reconciled to

1691.17	
14761.91	
16453.08	
1108.40	
	14761.91 16453.08

/3 to report on Cost Centres:

Cost	Income	Exp	Net
Allotment	647.21	372.79	274.42
Cemetery	737.89	172.11	565.78

25/3154 To receive items for the next meeting.

- /1 To consider the purchase of bulbs (Cllr Tong)
- /2 To discuss how to consider a long term strategic review of Parish Council assets. (Cllr Greasley)
- /3 To consider more training sessions for defibrillators
- /4 To consider engaging a consultant to review current traffic problems and how best to implement effective solutions
- /5 to discuss extensions to wildflower areas (Cllr Tong)
- /6 To discuss alternative uses of the Eaton Bus Shelter (Cllr Tong)

25/3155 Date of next meeting: Monday 8th September at 7.15 pm Eastwell Village Hall The meeting closed at 21.15 pm

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Signed:

Chairman - Eaton Parish Council

precept demands for adjacent parishes

	2025-26 Precept	2025-26 Tax base	2025-26 Band D Council Tax
Belvoir	19,000	130.58	145.50
25.75	· ·		
Bottesford	141,725	1,558.48	90.94
Clawson Hose and Harby	120,000	1,157.52	103.67
Croxton Kerrial	17,325	237.57	72.93
Eaton	30,000	335.03	89.54
Redmile	45,000	397.74	113.14
Scalford	25,000	270.41	92.45
Sproxton	8,000	260.70	30.69
Stathern	34,500	340.42	101.35
Waltham on the Wolds	46,953	580.29	80.91

