

APPLETON WITH EATON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Appleton with Eaton Parish Council (AWE PC) Meeting
held in the Village Hall
Monday, 8th January 2024 7:15pm**

Allison Leigh – Parish Clerk

Minutes

Councillors present: Stephen Day (Chair), Liz Gilkes (Vice Chair), Councillors Teresa Bennett (TB), John Adams (JA), Mary Carey (MC), Sue Sternberg (SS) and Valentina Brito-Marquez (VBM)

In attendance: Allison Leigh (the Clerk), District Councillor Mark Coleman

23/149: Apologies for Absence: None

23/150: Declarations of interest: None

23/151: Public questions and statements: Members of the public were in attendance to talk about the recent flood event that occurred on the 4th of January. The Council resolved to hold an extra meeting on the Monday the 15th of January to discuss the issues and make any necessary decisions.

The Council resolve to hold an advisory group meeting prior to the emergency meeting. The Clerk will arrange this.

23/152: Reports from District and County Councillors:

Vale of White Horse District Council (VoWHDC)

The District Councillor submitted a report. See Attachment 1.

Oxfordshire County Council (OCC)

The County Councillor was not in attendance and there was no report.

23/153: Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 11th December 2023 were approved and signed as a true record.

23/154: Clerk's report: The Council acknowledged the Clerk's Report.

23/155: Speed survey: The Council considered the results of the speed survey and resolved to send them and any comments submitted to Oxfordshire County Council.

The results are attached to these minutes. See Attachment 2.

The Clerk will put the results on the website and do a shout out with the results.

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The next step of the 20mph programme is for OCC to hold a formal consultation.

23/156: Finance

- **Finance Report:**

Payments authorised

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Payment Method</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>
Lloyds card	Microsoft, Google, Council phone, Mailchimp, HP and monthly fee	Direct Debit	71.06	18/12/23
Staff costs	Staff costs	Online payment	717.76	31/1/24
Allison Leigh	Clerk expenses	Online payment	26.00	8/1/24
Dark White Digital	Website hosting and Wordpress updates	Online payment	30.00	8/1/24
AH Cornish	Rental of Jubilee Park land	Online payment	1084.33	8/1/24
Geosphere	Parish Online Membership	Online payment	32.40	8/1/24
HMRC	PAYE	Online payment	105.91	8/1/24
Foremost Print	Printing of speed surveys	Online payment	240.00	8/1/24

Receipts since the last meeting

There were no receipts.

Bank Reconciliation

Opening balance as of 1/4/2023	49,920.26
Receipts	36,119.70
Payments	28,060.03
Cash book balance	57,979.93

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Bank balance as of 31/12/23	61,738.30
Unpresented payments	3,758.37
unpresented receipts	0.00
Reconciled balance as of 31/12/23	57,979.93

23/157: Planning applications:

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>AWEPC Comments</u>
P23/V2857/DIS	Former Parklands School Besselsleigh	Discharge of conditions 4(Landscaping Scheme), 15(Biodiversity Enhancement Plan (BEP)) and 17(Landscape Implementation and Management Plan) on application ref. P18/V0359/FUL Refurbishment and Conversion of the existing Manor House into 8 apartments. Demolition of all other existing outbuildings and extension to Manor House. Erection of 36 new dwellings comprising 9 apartments within extension to Manor House and 27 houses within the grounds of the site. Retention of the existing site access, plus new associated parking and landscaping.	AWEPC has no comments on this planning application.

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>District Council Decision</u>
P23/V2283/HH	3 Fettiplace Close	Proposed single storey rear extension to dwelling	Permission granted
P23/V1952/HH	Otters Pool Millway Lane	Demolition of existing single storey	Permission granted

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	Appleton	garage. Erection of two storey three bay garage with home office above.(as amended and amplified by Plans and information received 15 November 2023).	
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23/158: Draft Oxfordshire Councils Charter - Consultation: The Clerk reported that she will respond to this consultation and that Councillors are encouraged to respond as well.

23/159: Joint Local Plan 2041: The Council considered a response to the Joint Local Plan for South and Vale. No decision was made.

23/160: Right of Way from Long Close to Besselsleigh: The Council considered the state of the right of way between Long Close and Besselsleigh. There was no further decision on this.

23/161: Risk Management Policy and Risk Assessment: The Council resolved to adopt the Risk Management Policy and Risk Assessment.

23/162: Publications and correspondence: The Council acknowledged the correspondence received.

23/163: Website and Advertiser: The Council would like the following in the February Advertiser:

D-Day

Information on the speed survey results

Parish Councils demystified: the role of Oxfordshire County Council

23/164: Matters for report:

The Council asked the Clerk to email OCC as to when the white lines at the entrances to the village will be painted.

The Council asked the Clerk to enquire as to moving the speed sign at Oaksmere further out for safety.

23/165: Date of the next meeting: The date and location of the Parish Council Meeting were confirmed as the 15th January 2024 at 7:15pm in the Village Hall.

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Attachment 1: Report from District Councillor Mark Coleman

Vale District Council – Member for Thames Ward Report to the Appleton with Eaton Parish Council – 10 January 2024

Drain clearance in Badswell Lane

Oxfordshire County Council's specialist contractors cleared the drains in Badswell Lane in December; however, they have identified a suspected collapsed drain at the bend in the road, which requires further investigation and probably a dig down within the carriageway to conduct a long-term repair. This is now with the OCC Highways Operational Team who will be looking to schedule the work into their reactive drainage programme of works.

Local Authority Boundary Commission

As part of the District Council boundary review, the Vale proposed an increase in the number of Members from thirty-eight to forty-one. The Boundary Commission has decided to retain thirty-eight councillors. The number could shift slightly if it aids the Commission in setting strong ward boundaries. The Commission will now work on proposals for ward patterns for consultation, before publishing their proposal on 4 June.

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Attachment 2: AWEPC Speed Survey Results

Question 1	Yes	No
Would you support a 20mph Zone being introduced in the Parish?	162	61
Question 2	Option 1	Option 2
If there is overall support, Would you want the area:	98	107
Option 1: A blanket 20mph speed limit replacing the existing 30mph limit, throughout Appleton and Eaton.		
Option 2: A 20mph zone in a selected area of the villages, comprising: Netherpton Road and Eaton Road - from South Lawn to Whites of Appleton Oaksmere - from the Village Hall to the bridge Eaton - the entirety of the 30mph section		
Comments (note: I've ticked which response they gave)		
Not the national bit from the Xmas Barn to Eaton/Besselsleigh T-Junction The Clerk notes that the survey states this would be to replace the existing 30mph limit, so this is not relevant.	Yes, Option 1	
Tractors race through Oaksmere. There are little children around this area.	Yes, Option 1	
Eaton to include around Caps Lodge Area (Besselsleigh turning)	Yes, Option 1	
Ticked Netherpton Road/Eaton Road and Oaksmere, but not Eaton	Yes, Option 2	
Ticked Netherpton Road/Eaton Road and Oaksmere, but not Eaton	Yes, Option 2	
One respondent didn't check option 1 or 2, but added Appleton Common to the list	Yes	
Should the vote be yes in the majority, I have chosen Option 1. Anything less becomes dangerous as more time is spent checking your speed rather than the road, conditions, people.	No, Option 1	
Should the 20mph be supported the speed sign will be set off by most of the cyclists going through the village.	No, Option 1	
In my 77 years living in Appleton I have not known a single accident involving speed. It would be much better to spend the money on banning parking at the school at arrival and leaving times and make the village hall car park obligatory.	No, Option 2	
Option 3: A 20mph zone either side of the Church Lane entrance when the school opens in the morning and finishes in the afternoon reinforced by flashing amber lights.	No, did not check Option 1 or 2	
Five residents did not check Option 1 or 2 and did not make a comment.	No, did not check Option 1 or 2	
Both these last 2 options are almost identical! The only place I would suggest a 20mph zone would be outside the school and the shop (from junction with Oaksmere to Bell foundry).	No, did not check Option 1 or 2	
No 20mph limit	No, did not check Option 1 or 2	
Ticked Netherpton Road/Eaton Road and Oaksmere, but not Eaton	No	
We do not want a 20mph zone in Eaton at all.	No, ticked Netherpton Road/Eaton Road.	
I have just completed the survey. You do not offer any chance of comment or suggestions, using the on line version, so here goes....Personally I believe that physical chicanes (Steventon has them, coming in from Hanney) at each end of the Eaton and Netherpton roads at the edges of the 30 mph limit, would assist greatly in reducing speeds down to 30 mph in the faster areas. Both roads are 60 mph before the reduction to 30mph. In The central area of the village through from the war memorial to the thatched tavern bend it is difficult to do more than 20 mph, so I don't see much point in going to the effort of putting up new signs.	No, Option 2	
Changed options in Option 2 to: Netherpton Road and Eaton Road - from South Lawn to end of houses on the left leaving the village. And... Oaksmere - from the Village Hall to the bridge (before: on the A420 side).	Yes, Option 2	