

**MINUTES OF THE EGGLESTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON**  
**WEDNESDAY 04 APRIL 2019 AT 19:00 AT EGGLESTON VILLAGE HALL**

**Item 1. Attendees:** Cllr S. Gillard; Cllr R. Hutchinson; Cllr J. Donald; Cllr E Henderson; Cllr W. Greenfield (chairman); Miss R Machin (parish clerk and minute taker)

**Item 2. Accepted Apologies:** Cllr L. Oxby – holidays

**Item 3. Declaration of interest:** None.

**Item 4. Minutes of 12 March for acceptance and signature:** Minutes proposed as correct by seconded by Cllr R. Hutchinson; seconded by Cllr J. Donald. All in agreement. Signed by the Chairman.

**Item 5. Action Points and matters arising:** The action points were updated. Items to be discharged – Rail at Greenbank, now in place.  
Matters Arising – None.

**Item 6. Finance:**

a. Bank Reconciliation:

Active Account:	£1104.62	Recreation Account:	£2000.48
Saver Account:	£5575.15	(Neighbour Saver still zero funds).	

b. **Forecast:** Still to be finalised into breakdown per calendar month

**Item 7. Planning:** Response from council re proposed changes to Footpath 47 discussed at last meeting. In light of information provided by council which explained that the path will not be closed, but route of the exiting pathway changed slightly creating a new restricted byway – the councillors have no objection to the proposed changes. Clerk to confirm.

**Item 8. Trees and Drains:** Parishioner has written to clerk re following works to cutting back trees, the Highways agency have not removed the branches, but left in situ. They are concerned this will obstruct grass cutting and cause walkers to have to use the road. Also when drains were cleared a few years ago the Council wrote to Highways and informed them that as all the spoil from the drains had been left at the side and back of the drains a period of heavy rain and snow would wash it back in, as would appear to be the case. The drains were cleared again last week after complaints about flooding but exactly the same thing has happened. Councillors agreed these are both safety issues and Chairman will take the issue forward with DCC.

**Item 9. Village pre grass cutting tidy up and sign on triangle:** Cllrs R Hutchinson and M Souter will walk village green and do a general tidy and clear debris in preparation of first village green cut. Discussion with public house re relocating the sign from village green. Still not located, so Cllr Green to discuss re earlier request.

**Item 10. Transparency Code:** The code was reviewed and agreed by all.

**Item 11. Feedback from Meetings:** Cllr Hutchinson attended Village Hall meeting for update on village hall matters – all is running well.

**Item 11. Clerks issues:**

- a. Hours worked: 3 hours in credit (re uploading of all docs onto new website location).
- b. Reminder re leave week of 09 April
- c. Correspondence:
  - 2 of the 60 Floodsax purchased with Newbiggin and Middelton in Teesdale have been used and worked well.
  - Representative re proposal to ban HGV's in Barnard Castle requested attending to our meeting to discuss the issue – agreed to extend invite for June meeting (May is full agenda re year-end).

Meeting closed at 20.00