

The Minutes of a Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held at The Parish Hall, Edington on Monday 13th March 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mesdames O'Donoghue, Pike, Dorgan, Lewis, Watts and Greening and Messrs Swabey, King, Johns, Pollard and Lupton. Mr Wickham (WC) was also in attendance

1. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th February 2017 were adopted as read and signed

2. Matters Arising.

(a) The Chairman thanked everyone who had taken part in the Litter pick on the 4th March. 16 bags had been filled. Mr Wickham reported that across the County some 2 ^{1/2} thousand bags had been filled and that litter collection cost WC £2 ^{1/2}million.

(b) Bus stop at Longlands Close. Both WC and the Bus company accepted that this was a long established bus stop and would be providing a flag. Thanks were expressed to Mr Wickham for resolving the issue.

3. Planning.

(a) The following application had been received and there was no objection to it:-

(i) 16/10515/FUL Single storey side extension at Mill House 1A Lower Road, Bratton for Miss Lavinia Brown

(b) The following decision had been received:-

(i) 17/10225/TCA T1 Beech – reduce height 4-6m and prune laterals 3-4m and thin by 20% at 2 Stradbrook Bratton for Mrs Patricia Jeffery - no objection

(c) Gym building etc at Hillside Cottage. Mr Swabey had checked with the Planning Office. Officers were happy that the development was in accordance with the approved plans.

(d) Neighbourhood Plan (NP) and revised Development Plan. Mr Pollard confirmed that each group would make a short presentation at the APM; and that the full report should be completed by the end of September with a view to producing a Local Development Plan 2018. The then PC would need to consider if there was a community appetite to consider the preparation of a NP.

4. Policing.

(a) No formal report for February had been received but Mr Lupton was able to confirm that things were quiet in the village.

(b) Speed Watch. Mr Lupton reported that the next sessions would probably be in May.

(c) Cold Calling. Sue Wilkins should be in touch shortly with template letters etc. Mrs Dorgan had already received leaflets from the Police giving advice re cold calling for general distribution.

(d) Speed Indicator Devices. Mr Wickham explained that a spare parts supplier had been identified and he hoped that the SID would soon be in operation.

(e) The Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner had presented his Plan for 2017-2021.

5. Playfield (PF).

(a) There was nothing of significance to report other than the moles were back. Mrs Dorgan was not minded to spend yet more money on a mole catcher.

(b) Access track to the PF alongside the Village Green (VG). The Chairman, Mr Swabey, had spoken to the owner of the vehicle concerned who had subsequently parked at the green in Tinhead Road. That raised an issue regarding parking by visitors to the village who were seemingly being directed to park at the green by walking guides. It was not known which publications were responsible if the information was correct.

6. Finances.

(a) It was proposed by Mr Johns seconded by Mrs Watts and carried unanimously that the following invoices be paid:-

(i) Parish Hall for Room Hire £156. It was noted that the invoice had been for 12 meetings but there had been an additional one to begin the NP process.

(ii) Refund Mr Pollard £53.75 being the cost of Postcrete £13.77 and 2 keysafes £39.98 for the new Notice Boards

- (iii) Clerks Salary and Expenses as per the statement attached
- (iv) Grants and Donations as agreed at the January Budget meeting

7. Highway Matters/Footpaths/CATG. A number of matters was discussed including:-

- (a) Parsonage Lane/Downsview. The Highway engineer would inspect and raise with CATG.
- (b) Footpath opposite the Three Daggers. Mr Johns had spoken to the WC Footpaths officer. Although the work could not be carried this financial year the money would roll over.
- (c) People leaving the Parish Hall for the CP were simply crossing the road rather than using the Triangle footpath.
- (d) The Parish Steward was due and Mrs Greening was collating works that were necessary
- (e) The footpath adjacent to The Gables was partially obstructed by a lump of tarmac. Mr Johns would speak to Mr Sheridan.
- (f) Mr Wickham reported that the extra white lining the PC had requested was in the hands of the contractor
- (g) The chevrons at Monastery Road had been removed
- (h) The electricity pole between The Three Daggers and 54 Westbury Road was sited in such a position that pedestrians had to get out into the road to get past it
- (i) Berry Road road sign. This had been reinstated by a Berry Road resident. The PC expressed its appreciation

8. Wiltshire Council (WC) Report. There was nothing of significance to report .

9. Village Green and Pond. Mr Lupton was awaiting confirmation of the arrangements for the presentation of the Wessex Water 'Grid' award. Already pond material had been offered and he had 5 volunteers to assist with the work in due course.

11. Civil Emergency Plan and Defibrillators. The proposal was for a Defibrillator to be sited in the Farm Shop area with the approval of the Three Daggers. The cost it was hoped would be covered by a grant from the AB with the PC providing matched funding possibly from a May Ball donation.

12. Elections.

- (a) Correspondence had been received from WC with regard to notices and time scales. The Clerk anticipated receiving hard copies of the Information packs but they would be obtainable from the WC website if necessary. The closing date for nominations would be 4pm on the 4th April.
- (b) WALC had prepared various notices for display to try and encourage more interest.
- (c) There would be no cost to the PC for the election as it would be running with the WC elections.

13. BKVC. The application details had been received for this year's competition and it was agreed to ask Mr Fraser once again if he was willing to complete it with the help of Mrs Lewis.

14. Correspondence.

- (a) SPTA News Sheet – March 2017
- (b) WALC February and March 2017 Newsletters
- (c) Clerks & Councils Direct – March 2017
- (d) The Minutes of the ERLAC Meeting held on the 9th March 2017 are annexed to these Minutes

15. News items. Consideration was given to items to be included. It was agreed to review the News at the April meeting.

16. Date of next Meeting. This was fixed for Monday 10th April 2017 at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm