

**The Minutes of a Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held at The Parish Hall, Edington on Monday 12th March 2018 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mesdames O'Donoghue, Lewis, Greening, Watts, Dorgan and Pike and Messrs Johns, Swabey, King, Pollard and Lupton, PCSO Caroline Wright and one member of the public

Apologies were received from Mr Wickham (WC)

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 were adopted as read and signed

2. There were no Matters Arising.

3. Planning.

(a) Development Plan/Neighbourhood Plan. The draft DP was in the process of being proof read

(b) The following applications had been received since the January meeting :-

(i) 17/11501/FUL Demolition of existing conservatory and rebuild kitchen dining room extension. Replace widows with door in side extension at Bay Cottage 62 Westbury Road for Mr Austin Main – no objection

(ii) 18/00801/TPO T2 Hornbeam tree – reduce canopy by 20% and 18/00803/TCA T1 Hornbeam tree - reduce canopy by 20%; T3Ash tree – reduce by 50% at Highbank 6 Court Lane for Mrs Pippa Dawkins – no objection

(iii) 18/01234/TCA Cherry tree (C1) – 10% crown thinning; willow (W1) – Fell; Apple (A1) 20% crown thinning and dead wood of crown; Plum (P1&P2) – Fell; at May Cottage 12 Tinhead Road for Mr Peter Davies – no objection

(iv) 18/00278/FUL 2 storey side extension at 12 Inmead for Mr Philip Davies – this was an application for retrospective permission and an objection had been submitted

(v) 18/01442/TCA Walnut tree - crown reduce 30% and crown raise to 4m; Beech tree – crown reduce 30% and crown raise to 5m; Cypress tree – cut back overhang; at Rhencullen 15 Lower Road for Mr Stewart Jenkinson – no objection

(vi) 18/01459/TCA Fell Cherry tree adjacent to village pond for Mr David May – no objection

(vii) 18/01251/FUL Conservatory to rear elevation at 13 Court Lane for Mr & Mrs Richardson – no objection

(viii) 18/01767/TCA T1 remove Cherry tree; T2 remove damaged Manna Ash; T3 reduce the small Beech tree and prune to an aesthetically well balanced shape (reduce by 2-4 feet) at 1-2 Charlton Hill for Mrs Anne Ilsley – no objection

(ix) 18/01251/FUL proposed extension and balcony at 13 Court Lane for Mr & Mrs Richardson – no objection

(x) 18/01038/FUL Change of Use of games room in barn to Spa with treatment rooms at Hillside Cottage 45 Westbury Road for Hillside Cottage Ltd. The PC objected. It was noted that there was in fact no games room. The application appeared to be based on 'expression of interest by local residents' to use the facility. The original permission had limited the use of the facility to residents of the bed and breakfast and pub accommodation. By removing the current limitation on use it would open the premises up to all and sundry and not simply village residents wishing to avail themselves of them. It was agreed to ask Mr Wickham to call this in as there were consequential issues as to the provision of parking and highway access. Turning left from the premises onto the B3098 would be hazardous. In addition it would dilute the link with the Pub creating a commercial business open to all on the south side of the B3098.

4. Policing.

(a) The February area report had been received. PCSO Wright confirmed that in the Westbury Rural Area crime had been low but there had been a series of thefts from cars some of which had followed break-ins, not in Edington, to steal car keys and high end tools. The current advice was to not leave anything in a parked car to give the impression that there was nothing there to steal.

(b) Speed Watch. Mr Lupton hoped that the team would be able to have some sessions later in March/early April.

(c) Cold calling. Mrs Lewis would be collecting up to date leaflets for distribution.

#### 5. Playfield (PF).

(a) Having note how bad the Tractor had become Mr Lupton felt that rather than renovating it he would create a new one. The PC agreed and was grateful to him for being prepared to do it.

(b) The May Ball had requested use of the PF for its annual May Ball on the 26<sup>th</sup> May. This was agreed.

#### 6. Highway Matters/Footpaths/CATG.

(a) Great British Spring Clean. It was agreed that the litter pick would take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> April.

(b) Mr King had reported fly tipping to WC

(c) Village Gateways. These were said to encourage careful driving in villages and the detail was passed to Mr Lupton for consideration.

(d) The Local Highways March Newsletter had been received

(e) B3098 Strategy.

(i) The White lining had been referred to CATG.

(ii) As to a Strategy Mr Johns had made a number of suggestions to try and improve and enhance road safety. The Chairman Mr Swabey had liaised with Mr Wickham who was suggesting that there be an early reconvening of a meeting of the B3098 PCs with a view to maintaining pressure on WC.

(f) Mrs Greening noted various matters that she would refer to the Parish Steward.

(g) Recent repairs to Long Hollow needed redoing and Mrs Greening would refer them to the Highways Engineer

(i) Mrs Pike reported that the updating of the Footpaths Booklet would be completed by Easter. She had obtained printing costs of £1.50 each and it was agreed to order initially 100.

#### 7. Wiltshire Council (WC) Report.

There was nothing specific to report in relation to the Village. Mrs Lewis mentioned that the BA+ Partnership was looking generally at social isolation and the elderly.

8. Village Green and Pond. Mr Lupton reported that there had been an increase of weed and he would be arranging for that to be cleared. With regard to the inflow pipe he was investigating putting in a new pipe rather than lining the existing one. He was still awaiting a 3<sup>rd</sup> quote for the trees and it was noted that a resident had expressed concern that the trees were interfering with electricity cables.

#### 9. Finances.

(e) The following invoices had been received and it was proposed by Mrs Watts seconded by Mr Pollard and agreed unanimously that they be paid namely:-

(i) CPRE Subscription £36

(ii) Clerks Salary and expenses as per statement attached

(iii) The Grants and donations agreed at the Budget meeting

(iv) Refund Mr Lupton the cost of Postcrete from B&Q for the new dog and litter bins £25.85.

(c) A donation of £1000 had been received; £130 Burial fee re Mrs Corp, a VAT refund of £777.19 and £862 being the AB grant towards the cost of the projector.

10. Best Kept Village Competition. The application forms had been received and Mrs Lewis had had a couple of offers of help from individuals rather than other Parish organisations.

11. Annual Parish Meeting (APM). It was agreed to hold this on the 23 April 2018 at 1930 the main theme being the DP; and the Footpaths Booklets would be available.

12. Newcomers Coffee Morning. This was fixed for Sat 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at the Parish Hall.

13. Burial Ground. Through Mrs Pike the WI had asked permission to use the unused part of the BG on the 10<sup>th</sup> July for a resident's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday party. This was agreed

14. Correspondence.

(a) Clerks & Councils Direct – March 2018

15. News items. Consideration was given to items to be included. In addition Mrs Lewis had met with the Editor, had had quite a good feedback and suggested simply monitoring the News

16. Date of next Meeting. This was fixed for Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.