

## **The Minutes of a Webinar Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mesdames Greening, Watts, Pike and Dorgan and Messrs Pollard, Johns and King; and Mrs Wickham (WC)

Apologies were received from Miss O'Donoghue

- 1. The Minutes** of the Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 were adopted as read and signed
- 2. Matters Arising.**
  - Salisbury Hollow. Work was planned to start on the 20<sup>th</sup> July but debris needed to be cleared.
- 3. Coronavirus arrangements.**

Only 2 calls had been received in the previous 2 weeks. Phone in time would be limited to between 0800 and 1800 and the PC would review the arrangements at the September meeting.
- 4. Village Newsletter.**

The Chairman had issued the latest. Some 92 had now signed up and there was unanimous approval to continue with it. Feedback remained very positive.
- 5. Planning**
  - a. One application had been received and there was no objection to it:-
    - i. 20/04943/TPO Fell group of Ash and Sycamore trees; reduce Sycamore trees by 2-3 m at 17A Westbury Road for Mr Killian. These were trees down by the Monks Well.
  - b. The following decision had been received:-
    - i. 20/02368/FUL alterations and extension works including demolition of lean-to building at 25 Westbury Road for Mr and Mr Andrew Trigg - approved
- 6. Wiltshire Council (WC) Report**
  - a. Mrs Wickham spoke about a public Zoom meeting to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> July to hear views about the planned incinerator at Northacre Park, Westbury.
  - b. WC was still very much concentrating on dealing with and providing support re the Covid-19 crisis. Mrs Wickham was delighted and encouraged by the massive support from local people.
  - c. Press talk of WC going bankrupt was unfounded. As with many other principal authorities the cost of managing the Covid-19 crisis was significant but government assistance was anticipated to cover this.
- 7. Finances**
  - a. It was proposed by Mrs Watts seconded by Mrs Dorgan and carried unanimously that the following invoice be paid or payment confirmed:-
  - b. Refund Mr Pollard £10 for mobile phone top up for Covid-19 helpline.
  - c. Audit 2019/2020. The AGAR had been submitted and the public notification was on the website as from the 11<sup>th</sup> June.
- 8. Car Park**
  - i. Lighting. The PC had received a request from the Parish Hall Committee to consider installing lighting in the car park. The Chairman had prepared a paper which is attached to these Minutes addressing the justification of the request and the sort of lighting that would be available taking into account the

environmental issues. He detailed the investigations he had made including the siting of any lighting. The PC agreed unanimously that the request was legitimate and raised significant safety issues that would be alleviated by appropriate lighting. It also approved the Chairman's suggestions as to the form of lighting and that the next step was to submit a pre Planning application to see if Planning permission was (i) needed and (ii) be likely to be granted.

- b. A number of saplings had been removed and it was agreed that others would be trimmed in the autumn.
- c. This led to a discussion about the trees in Monastery Road below the car park. Some were the landowners and others possibly Highways. It was understood that the present owners of Bonshommes Cottage had taken steps to have the trees dealt with and had contacted Wessex Tree Care. The Chairman would speak to the interested parties and seek a solution to the issues.

**9. Playfield.**

Playforce had carried out an inspection and some maintenance work was required. The rocking swing needed welding work done urgently and Hiscox Engineers had been asked to do that.

**10. Highway Matters/Footpaths/CATG**

- a. Mrs Greening reported that a new Parish Steward had been appointed and he had carried out some work
- b. Mrs Pike raised some issues about vegetation and a fallen tree restricting Coach Hollow

**11. Correspondence**

- a. Clerks & Councils Direct for July 2020
- b. WALC Juju Circular

**12. News items**

There would be no News for August and September

**13. Date of next Meeting**

This was fixed for Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020