

## **The Minutes of a Zoom Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Mesdames Greening, Watts, Pike, Dorgan and O'Donoghue and Messrs Pollard, Johns, King, Burgess and Swabey and Mrs Wickham (WC)

There were 2 members of the public in attendance for part of the meeting.

- 1. The Minutes** of the Meeting held on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were adopted as read and signed
- 2. Matters Arising.**
  - a. A letter of thanks had been received from Dorothy House acknowledging the Grant the PC had made. It was noted that the daily running costs of Dorothy House were £36000
  - b. It was agreed that Mr King would speak to the landowner about the footpath entrance to the Weir field.
- 3. Coronavirus update.** Mr Pollard said that there had been no calls to the help line and it was agreed that it be discontinued. The volunteers would be thanked in the next edition of The News
- 4. Newsletter.** It had run for 12 months and there was a general consensus to continue with it
- 5. Planning**
  - a. Neighbourhood Plan. No potential sites had been formally notified in response to the requests in the Newsletter or the April News other than a proposal by Mr Elliott considered below.
  - b. The following applications had been received and there was no objection to any of them:-
    - i. PL/2021/03456 Crown reduce 2x Acer trees by 1.5m, 1 Prunus by 1m and 1 Silver Birch by 1.5m at the Vines 4A Inmead for Mrs Kate Windo
    - ii. PL/2021/03495. G1 – 5 Beech trees – reduce to hedge line; G2 - 3 lime trees – reduce; T1 - 1 Yew tree – reduce; at Box Cottage 5 Tinhead Road for Mr Theo Taylor
    - iii. 21/02485/FUL remove existing shed and replace with a new permanent shed, including all other associated works at 7 Lower Road Bratton for Mr Paul Skelton
  - c. The following decisions had been received namely:-
    - i. 20/11615/VAR Variation of Condition 2 of 19/06212/FUL to substitute the approved drawing numbers with new application drawings to reflect alterations at Ashton View 5 Longlands Close for Mr & Mrs Parmley - approved
    - ii. 21/01265/TCA Removal of one self seeded, young Walnut tree at Pond House Tinhead Road for Mercedes Henning - no objection
- 6. Policing**
  - a. Speed Watch. Mr Pollard reported that over the last 8 sessions 22 people had been caught speeding and that the Police had attended recently
  - b. In addition West Ashton had joined the group of villages using the camera.

## **7. Playfield (PF)**

- a. The PF gate mentioned at the February meeting was now stable.
- b. Much of the rubbish in the bins was from the Three Daggers customers who should be using the Pub's bins. Mr Pollard had spoken to the Pub management and they had agreed to empty the bins regularly.
- c. Dogs. People were disregarding the notices and it was agreed to mention it in the News.
- d. Edington Fair. This would now be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> June.
- e. NHS Day - July 5th. It was agreed that teas would be available on the Village Green by the pond and that proceeds would be shared between the Air Ambulance and Dorothy House
- f. Plans for field below PF. A number of people were seemingly interested in acquiring all or part of the field and it was understood that negotiations were going on with the owner Mr Elliott. He had however suggested a small development of houses coming in from Weirside Court that he considered would accord with the NP aspirations. It was not thought this was feasible and the only way for it to be tested was by submitting a planning application. Mr Swabey raised the question of it being a Community asset and he was asked to make enquiries of WC

## **8. Highway Matters/Footpaths/CATG**

- a. Salisbury Hollow. Mr Johns reported that in discussion with WC the plan was to grade and provide drainage and a gully for the Hollow. In addition the AHE would look at the possibility of a winter closure to protect the work
- b. Parish Steward. Work suggested including the triangles, painting the posts at Monkswell and a loose manhole cover near The Old White Horse 43 Westbury Road.
- c. Yellow lines. A response was still awaited from WC.
- d. Speed Limit between Bratton and Edington to 40mph. This was in hand but delays had been caused due to the pandemic.
- e. CATG. At the June meeting Mr Johns would ask for the reinstatement of the white lining from The City.

## **9. Wiltshire Council (WC) Report.**

- a. Mrs Wickham confirmed that the AB had approved the grant for the CP lighting.
- b. There had been a massive take up of applications for postal voting for the upcoming elections

## **10. Burial Ground Paddock.** A quote had been received from Wessex Tree Care in the sum of £510 and this was agreed unanimously

## **11. Parish Hall Car Park.** The order had been placed for the lighting.

## **12. Finances .**

- a. It was proposed by Mrs Watts seconded by Mr Swabey and carried unanimously that the following invoices be paid or confirmed
  - i. Refund Mr Pollard £100.14 being the cost of 10 Litter Pickers from Bell Brush Cleaning and Janitorial Supplies
  - ii. Refund Mr John Richardson £36.23 for Benches maintenance being the cost of Varnish from Davies' £18.23 and Wooden posts from Wickes £18.

- iii. WALC Subscription £294.73
- b. Notice of Audit had been received

**13. Correspondence**

- a. WALC Circular – April 2021

**14. News items**

Consideration was given to items to be included

**15. Date of next Meeting**

There was some uncertainty as to whether easing of the lockdown would allow a resumption of face to face meetings in the Parish Hall. The next Meeting would be the Annual Parish Council Meeting and the date and venue would be confirmed.