

The Minutes of a Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held at the Parish Hall on Monday 13th March 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

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

Apologies were received from Miss O'Donoghue and Mr Hardman,

2 members of the public were also in attendance

1. **The Minutes** of the Meeting held on the 20th February 2022 were adopted as read and signed
2. There were no **Matters Arising**
3. **Planning**
 - a. Neighbourhood Plan. Mr Burgess said there had been a positive meeting with WC officers who had in the event accepted the AECOM report. An updated plan had therefore been submitted with a request for a timetable as to the next steps in the NP process
 - b. The following applications had been received:-
 - i. PL/2023/01148/FUL Proposed new dwelling at 46A Westbury Road for Mr Carr. This was effectively a resubmission of the previous application and providing more information (e.g splay) that had been requested. There was no objection
 - c. The following decision had been received:-
 - i. PL/2023/00119/FUL Erection of building for Agricultural use (retrospective) at 14 Westbury Road for Bate. This had been approved with fairly stringent conditions.
4. **Policing**
 - i. Police Report. There was nothing to report since the last meeting
 - ii. Speedwatch. The downloads from the SID were being supplied to the Police, and would continue for the rest of the month
 - iii. Neighbourhood Watch. The Scheme had been approved for the village and Mrs Greening suggested launching it at the APM with a Whats app group
5. **Playfield.**
 - a. Land Swap. There was still nothing to report
 - b. Bob Miles had done the first cut and it was suggested that it be cut every 3 weeks
6. **Wiltshire Council (WC) Report**
 - a. The next AB meeting would be on the 23rd March and the AB was requesting representatives for its emergency contact hub.
 - b. Pollinator project. The seed had been ordered and it was proposed to start working the weekend of the 18/19 March
7. **Highway matters/Footpaths/CATG**
 - a. 20mph limits. This was all but completed
 - b. Double Yellow lines. The legal notices would be published later in the month. Some issues had been raised but the PC was reminded that parking concerns had been referred to WC Highways which had recommended the lines

- c. Grit Bin at Berry Road/Court Lane. The response from the residents had been positive and so it was agreed to proceed as per the decision made at the February meeting and to be sited on the verge outside Mrs Wickham's house
- d. Court Lane/Baynton Lane junction. This had been referred to LHFIFG
- e. Footpath from the PC Car Park. Mr King would arrange to meet Mr Cochrane on site
- f. Parish Steward. Matters would be referred to Mr Hardman
- g. Village Litter Pick. It was agreed to meet at the PC Car Park at 0930 on the 18th March

8. Village Green.

- a. **Well Dressing/Coronation.** Mrs Pike confirmed that a group had met to consider the project. A series of slides of Well dressing were shown and the PC approved the idea. It would be sited just above the spout
- b. Fencing of Lower Village Green area. The Chairman had sourced a local maker of posts that he suggested would be appropriate and produce photos of the green with them superimposed. The cost would be Posts £225, plastic chain £34.98 and Eye straps for fixing chain to posts £14.58 Total £274.56. It was proposed by Mrs Greening seconded by Mr Johns and carried unanimously to proceed.

9. Finances.

It was proposed by Mrs Pike seconded by Mrs Dorgan and carried unanimously that the following invoices be paid or confirmed:-

- i. Mr S R Hollburn-Thorburn for PF Inspection July- December 2022 £180
- ii. Refund Mr Pollard £6.99 for Notice Board magnets
- iii. CPRE Subscription £60
- iv. To pay the Charities as agreed at the Budget Meeting/and 20th February Meeting
- v. Clerks Salary and Expenses as per annex

10. Coal Path Field Review.

- a. Mr Fraser had kindly offered to donate a bench.
- b. Boules area. It was a nice idea but it was agreed to clarify what would need to be done and to ascertain what demand there was for it. It could possibly be linked with the provision of a small wildflower area.
- c. Arrangements would be made to cut the field and the hedge needed attention, replacing it with mixed native hedging and the pollarding of the elders. The compost bins would have to be moved
- d. It was also agreed that the field and its use could be mentioned at the APM
- e. Village Fete 10th June. It was agreed to allow the field to be the venue. Village fete equipment was stored in a lock up at Station Yard and someone was need to offer to look after it. The PC confirmed it could not go on the PF

11. APM Arrangements.

It was agreed that mention would be made of Neighbourhood Watch, Pollinator projects and Village enhancements, the CP footpath and the Coal Path field. Mrs Watts and Mrs Dorgan would provide coffee and biscuits

12. Correspondence

- a. Clerks & Councils Direct -March 2023.
- b. WALC Circular - February 2022

13. News items

Consideration was given to items to be included.

14. Date of next Meeting

This was fixed for Monday 17th April 2023 immediately after the APM