

The Minutes of a Meeting of the Edington Parish Council held at the Parish Hall, Edington on Monday 10th July 2023` at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Mesdames Watts, Greening, O' Donoghue and Dorgan and Messrs Pollard, Burgess and Hardman

Apologies were received from Mrs Pike and Messrs Johns, Swabey and King.

1. **The Minutes** of the Meeting held on the 12th June 2023 were adopted as read and signed
2. **Matters Arising.**

Cattle. The Clerk had spoken with the landowner who expressed the same view as had been noted in the June Minutes. The cattle were currently in the field on the western side of Piquet Hill
3. **Planning**
 - a. Neighbourhood Plan. Mr Burgess said that there had been another change in the advice from WC officers. It seemed that they did now require the number of housing units on the identified sites. It was agreed that the PC would reflect on this over the summer and review the position at the September meeting
 - b. The following applications had been received and there were no objections to any of them:-
 - i. PL/2023/0381/LBC Replacement of rear kitchen/dining room windows with single glazed Casement windows at May Cottage 12 Tinhead Road for Mr Peter Davies
 - ii. PL/2023/04838/TCA T1 (Copper Beech) – Target Reduction of 3 to 4 m of the branches growing on the South side of the tree; also reduce the low branch growing over the garden shrub by 3 to 4m at Beech House 6 Tinhead Road for Mrs Robertson
 - iii. PL/2023/04896/TPO Hornbeam tree – overall reduction of 35% at Beech House
 - iv. PL/2023/05162/TCA T1 Yew, T2 Conifer, T3 Maple and T4 Conifer: remove all to ground level at Springfields 7a Inmead for Fowler
4. **Policing.**
 - a. Speedwatch. The current sessions were just starting. A recent visit by Police Enforcement carrying out speed checks had resulted in 4 being caught, one travelling at 49mph
 - b. Neighbourhood Watch. Mrs Greening had carried out a further investigation of the proposed Whats App group and GDPR. An alternative way was to circulate information by way of Broadcasting either as a stand alone or combining it with a Whats App group whose participants were relaxed about their phone number being identified. It was agreed that she would set up a trial Broadcasting run with the PC
5. **Village Tree Safety Survey.** The Chainman reminded the PC that the original survey of the PF trees that had been carried out in 2020 expired in September and that the survey of remaining trees for which the PC had potential responsibility expired in January 2024. It was agreed to arrange for combined report in September and to use the same tree surveyor as before
6. **Wiltshire Council (WC) Report**

- a. In the absence of Mrs Wickham there was no report but the PC noted the following had been issued by WC:
 - i. Local Plan update
 - ii. Wiltshire Local Transport Plan
- b. Pollinator Corridors. Also in the absence of Mrs Pike as well there was no update

7. Finances

- a. It was proposed by Mrs Watts seconded by Mrs Dorgan and carried unanimously that the following invoices be paid or payment confirmed:-
 - i. A M Print and Copy £190 for 100 Footpath Books
 - ii. J P Garden Services Burial Ground Grass cutting £26.25
 - iii. ASK Grounds and Property Maintenance £288.60 being 6x monthly inspections £180 and cost of replacement materials for slide repairs £93.60 and installation £150
 - iv. WALC Subscription £297.26
 - v. Miles & Francis £408 for maintenance to PF, CP and other work around the village

8. Playfield.

- a. Land Swap. It was understood by the Chairman that the Three Daggers was still working on full costings. This led however to concerns that the continuing uncertainty about the future of the project was delaying the PC's need to review and possibly replace, or add to, the existing equipment
- b. The May Ball had kindly indicated that it was prepared to make a donation towards new equipment (to be ring fenced). This offer was gratefully received.
- c. The repairs to the equipment had been carried out

9. Village Grass cutting. The PC considered the Chairman's email of the 14th June setting out areas for which the PC was responsible. Suggestions were made which are attached to these Minutes as Appendix 1 and would be reviewed at the September meeting

10. Highway Matters/Footpaths/LHFIG

- a. Tinhead Yellow Lines. A decision was still awaited
- b. White Lines and Roundels. Although some Roundels had been repainted it appeared that the problem for the white lines was that due to the state of the roads edges the paint was not sticking
- c. Lower road speeding. The AHE was checking but there was a 20mph limit and perhaps residents could be encouraged to reverse into their driveways
- d. Dog Waste bin at end of Little Court Lane. It was agreed to ask the Parish Steward to refix it
- e. Parish Steward. Mr Hardman noted various things for the Parish Steward
- f. B3098 traffic calming. The AHE did not think that there would be enough visibility distance for a build-out and was suggesting now laying enhanced rumble strips and village gates to be installed. The PC was not happy with this proposal and would review it at the September meeting

11. PC Priorities 2023. Each had been covered in the course of the meeting except Pollinator project due to the absence of Mrs Pike and Mrs Wickham

12. Correspondence

- a. Clerks & Councils Direct for July 2023
- b. WALC June 2023 Circular

13. News items

There would be no News for August

14. Date of next Meeting

This was fixed for Monday 11th September 2023 at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm