Edlesborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 17th March 2011

Minutes of the meeting of the Edlesborough Parish Council held on Thursday 17th March 2011 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present

Cllr Cubbage, (Chairman), Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Williams, Cllr Brown. Cllr Wilson. Cllr Mrs Prys-Jones, Cllr Mrs Ratheram, Clerk-Lin Sargeant, Chris Poll Conservative candidate for Aylesbury Vale District Council representing Edlesborough Ward, and parishioner Brian Holt.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Poll and Mr Holt who had been invited to attend the meeting with a view to representing Dagnall on the Parish Council

Apologies:

No apologies had been given

A minute's silence was held to reflect on the life of parishioner Roger Moffitt who was tragically killed in a road accident in Northall.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes were signed as a correct record

Matters Arising from the previous Minutes

Affordable Housing Survey

Approximately 50 questionnaires had been received to date, the closing date being 25th March 2011.

Energy Performance Certificates

Further correspondence had been received regarding Energy Performance Certificates and Council agreed to continue to rely upon advice given by AVDC.

Declarations of Interest – None declared

Memorial to Anne Thompson

Cllr Mrs Prys-Jones gave an update informing the meeting that she had attended both Edlesborough and Dagnall schools who were very keen to help. Posters and flyers were in the process of being prepared and would be available from the schools. Photograph entries to be handed in at the Schools, placed in a box at Edlesborough Post Office or sent to the Clerk. The competition is open to all school age children in categories from the age of 4 to 18 year olds. There would be 2 people judging the photographs and each entrant would receive a certificate with the overall winner receiving the 'Anne Thompson's Young Peoples cup for Excellence' at the Carnival in July. Full details will be put into the May and June issues of Focus and on the parish website. The Clerk would obtain a brochure in order that a suitable cup may be chosen.

This item would remain on the Agenda for the April meeting to discuss more fully other more permanent memorial suggestions.

Police Matters

The Parish Council wished to thank PC Jared Levens and PCSOs Jackie Dodson and Christine Baker for having been on duty outside Edlesborough School to deter parents from parking at the junction of Pebblemoor and the High Street which would continue to be monitored.

Youth Council

Parish Councils have been encouraged to set up Youth Councils which would take the form of Junior Parish Councils in order that the youths themselves would be able to meet and discuss what issues they had. Cllr Alan Williams would let Councillors have more information on the procedure to establish Youth Councils and informed the meeting that EDaN were holding a youth event on 26th March, attended by Thames Valley Police, where questionnaires would be given to those in attendance. The Edlesborough Parish Plan had reflected that 80 parishioners would be prepared to volunteer to be considered to help run a Youth Club and it was hoped that these volunteers would come forward to help set up a Youth Council. Interest had been shown by EB Lions and the Scouts and leaflets would be handed out to children who travel to Wing and Aylesbury on the school buses.

Finance Reports:

Accounts for the month ended February 2011 were presented, queries were discussed and the accounts approved. Clerk requested to obtain a quotation for the remainder of the work to be carried out in installing a third new seat outside the Pavilion.

Review of Special Projects

Discussion took place regarding the need to finance the major extension to the Memorial Hall Car Park to make this the number one priority and how it could be achieved by reducing some of the other existing Special Project allocations..Cllr Williams agreed to ascertain what other external funding could be available. Cllr David Brown proposed in the interim of utilising the existing Special Projects reserves set aside for Memorial Hall and Pavilion CCTV and Upgrading of the Pavilion which was unanimously agreed. The question of de-registering the Common part of the Green and re-registering as Village Green would be further discussed at the General Purpose Committee meeting in May. Clerk requested to obtain start and finish dates for the car park extension from the Contractor.

With regard to an e-mail received from Dagnall Village Hall Committee concerning the balance of EPC annual donation being held on their behalf it was agreed that the Chairman should respond in line with the basis he had previously circulated to Councillors.

Authorisation of cheques (March including VAT)

The following cheques had been authorised for payment:

Administration & Office expenses (including telephone) 46.09

Memorial Hall/Pavilion expenses (incl electric, water, gas) 343.48

Salaries (including PAYE/NIC) 1,507.16

The Green expenses 740.90

Cemetery and War Memorial expenses 308.50

Children's Play area expenses 324.25

Community Impact Bucks membership 2011 30.00

Grass cutting 328.86

EDaN expenses for Dagnall planter, Church hire, Course fees 534.10

Phase 2 Northall Playground 2,130.00

Total £ 6,293.34

The Council agreed not to renew Buckinghamshire Sports Field Association subscription

Planning

The following applications had been received, were discussed by the meeting and the following responses were agreed to be submitted to AVDC

11/00175/APP 28th January 2011	Brooklyns Cow Lane Edlesborough	Demolition of stable block and barn and erection of replacement stable building	No Objections	
11/00257/APP 10th February 2011	6 Church End Edlesborough	Vehicular access and hardstanding	No Objections	
11/00331/APP 18th February 2011	4 Pine Road Edlesborough	Demolition of existing garage and rebuild new enlarged attached garage (Amendment to planning permission 10/00414/APP)	No Objections	
11/00408?APP 28th February 2011	12 Church End, Edlesborough	Single storey rear extension	No Objections	
11/00212/AGN 3rd February 2011	Goose Hill Farm Ringhall Road Dagnall	Erection of grain, fertilizer and machinery store	No Objections	Permitted
10/02606/APP 21st December 2010	9 Church Croft Edlesborough	Two storey side extension, rear conservatory and balcony	No Objections	Permitted

Due to further issues raised 'The Bell' Public House planning applications decisions have been deferred.

Aylesbury Vale Neighbourhood Plan will be discussed at the next meeting but it was agreed in principle that the Parish should develop such a plan.

County & District Councillors Reports

Not in attendance, no reports available.

Correspondence received

Bucks CC – Press Release – Council approves budget for essential road maintenance

Bucks CC – Press Release – Changes to concessionary bus passes

Thames Valley Police – concerns with theft of scrap metal.

Thames Valley Police – Community Policing Awards

Bucks CC Press Release - Footpaths completed in Cheddington and Ivinghoe.

Bucks CC Press Release – Snow-covered challenge for young people with special needs.

Bucks CC Press Release – support for neighbours' transport schemes

Bucks Press Release – New habitat mapping boost for conservation.

Bucks Press Release – Drivers told to watch their speed on A40 at Denham (1,000 vehicles recorded at more than new 30mph in a four day period.

Bucks CC Press Release – Encouraging people to return the Census

Bucks CC - Confirmation of Delegated Budget and Transport increases in 2011/12 report

Thames Valley Police – No door stop selling signs for Dagnall

Navigus Planning - Information regarding the Journal of Local Planning (Localism Bill)

Bucks CC Press Release - More people using buses.

Bucks CC - Details coming in of road closures for the Royal Wedding

Bucks CC - Press Release - New website launched for keen cyclists www.cycleaylesbury.co.uk

Geoff Spencer talk on 'Experiences of life in a variety of Prisoner of War camps in Italy and Germany during WW2' 25th March at Dagnall Village Hall, 7pm Tickets £3 in advance or £4 on the door Tea, coffee being served. Proceeds to Dagnall Village School. Collection for Help for Heroes charity

List of items which were placed on the Councillors table

No relevant SBDC applications

Leighton-Linslade Parish meeting notes

Eaton Bray Parish Council Agenda for meeting on 7th March

Wing South Neighbourhood Team Newsletter (Item relating to 'Dogwatch 'has been put in April Focus)

AVDC – Standards Committee Minutes and notice of meeting on 14th March.

SLCC The Clerk magazine

LCR Spring magazine

EDaN Project

Permission was requested for the selling of 'Pimms' at the May Day celebrations. The Parish Council agreed provided EDaN obtain the necessary licence and checked the current bye-laws appertaining to the Green. Help on the day also requested. The final design of the Dagnall Village sign was unanimously approved. The Traffic

Management team were currently exchanging letters with Bucks CC regarding the A4146. A Traffic Management 'Speedwatch' meeting will be held on 25th March at Edlesborough Memorial Hall. Youth event posters are being distributed 'Come and Have Your Say'.

The Community Car Scheme has now been launched.

On behalf of the Council, the Chairman thanked Cllr Williams, the EDaN Steering Committee and all the EDaN volunteers for the tremendous input they were having on improving the life for residents throughout the parish.

Anglian Water - sewerage problems in Edlesborough

Cllr John Wilkinson had drafted a response letter to Anglian Water which was read to the Council who approved that it should be sent with copies to AVDC Planning and John Bercow.

Traffic Calming;

Cllr Mark Wilson reflected on the death of a Northall parishioner who had been killed on the A4146 and reported that this tragedy had raised more awareness of the speed through Northall and a possible campaign would be launched.

Speed Limit Review

The latest information received is that works to implement the new speed changes should take place around July – September 2011.

Clerk to ascertain what will happen regarding the Northall VAS sign.

It was agreed that the new Dustbin Speed stickers would be given out to parishioners who lived in the existing nominated 30mph limits as soon as they are received.

Dagnall 'Build Out'/Traffic Island

The proposed pedestrian type crossing suggested for Dunstable Road has failed a safety audit test and Bucks CC are considering alternatives. Clerk to ascertain reasons for the failure of the safety audit and how far from the footpath from the Recreation Field would the crossing be allowed.

General Purpose Committee report

Cllr Wilkinson reported that the committee had agreed to allow the use of the Memorial Hall and the Green for children's' activity classes to take place during August. Agreement had been reached between the Parish Council and a new cricket team to allow cricket to take place on the Green this season, a contract is in the process of being signed. The signing of a Declaration of Consent by the Tennis Club regarding the Green has been put on hold.

It was agreed that notices must not be put on the doors of the Memorial Hall.

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This item will remain on the Agenda pending more discussion when further information is received.

The Villages – (issues other than Traffic Calming and matters delegated to the GPC)

A meeting is being held to discuss proposed road closures for the Cycletta Team event, planned for September, as referred to in the Local Area Forum report in the February Parish Council minutes. Further details will be given when known.

Edlesborough; The Race Day event scheduled to take place in June on the Green has been cancelled.

Edlesborough: Agreed to enter Best Kept Village 2011 competition.

Elections - 5th May 2011

Councillors were handed their Election papers for completion and to be returned to AVDC by noon on Monday 4th April. Councillors offering themselves for reelection to the Parish Council are Kevin Cubbage John Wilkinson. Alan Williams, Mark Wilson, Marilyn Prys-Jones, Julie Ratheram, David Brown will be standing down.

<u>Items for the Agendas for the Council meeting to be held on Thursday 21st April 2011</u>

The Meeting closed at 10.40pm

NEXT MEETING

THURSDAY 21st April 2011 commencing 7.30pm at Edlesborough Memorial Hall