

Edlesborough Parish Council

Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday 31st March 2010 (re-scheduled to replace April meeting) at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

Item	Content/Decision	Next Review Date
<u>Present</u>	Mr. Wilkinson (Chairman) Mrs. Thompson; Mrs Prys-Jones, Mr. Cabbage, Mr. Williams, Clerk - Lin Sargeant	.
<u>Apologies</u>	Mr. Brown	.
<u>Declarations of Interest</u>	None declared at commencement of meeting	.
<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u>	Signed as a correct record	.
<u>Held on 3rd February 2010</u>		
<u>Matters Arising</u>	Referred to under following Agenda headings	
<u>Under 5's</u>	<p>Chairman of Under 5's, Rebecca Newbert, attended the meeting to put forward alternative proposals to enable the children to safely walk to and from the Hall to the outside play area by means of the existing window to the right hand side of the Hall being made into a door and the erection of picket type fencing, adjacent to the existing path in front of the kitchen, to join up with the existing fencing around the play area. The Under 5's have the opportunity of applying for a grant and the Committee approved in principle subject to receiving further detailed drawings showing exactly what would be involved.</p> <p>A request from Under 5's to place planters in the play area was approved.</p>	May 2010
<u>Fixed Assets (Land etc. interests)</u>	Clerk waiting for a response from BALC	May 2010
<u>Edlesborough Memorial Hall</u>		
<u>Clerk's Report</u>	The new soakaway has been completed and new turf laid. The light above the main Hall door is being repaired and grab rails have been fitted in all toilets. The cistern in the Gents' toilet is being replaced.	May 2010

There will be a slight reduction in the Rates due to a credit balance held over from last year.

Problems occurred with cars parking immediately in front of the main hall entrance preventing hirers of the hall from gaining access.

Internal decoration

All quotations have been received and Clerk authorised to accept as appropriate

May 2010

Memorial Hall Boilers

Further questions to be raised before making final decision on acceptance of quotation

May 2010

Memorial Hall & Pavilion Car Parks

Unfortunately the article regarding installation of lockable gates to both car parks was omitted from the March issue of Focus, it is anticipated that this will be included in the April issue, the GPC will then discuss responses.

May 2010

Utilities Bills for Memorial Hall & Pavilion

This item to remain on the Agenda and a 'Utilities' category to be entered into accounts.

May 2010

Edlesborough Green (including play equipment, car parks, Sports activities etc.

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Clerk's Report

An invitation has been received from Eaton Bray Parish Council to attend the Open Day of the new Skate Park on Saturday 24th April at 11.00am

May 2010

All dates for the return of 'Play Around the Parishes' have been confirmed.

EDaN have been awarded a 'free' Tree. A Silver Birch was chosen and a decision as to the location will be agreed at a later date

Members of the Committee to decide on the exact location of the Edlesborough Village Sign

A quotation has been requested to replace the existing 'kissing gate' on the Green with a self closing gate.

Due to severe weather all football was abandoned for a few weeks to allow the surface of the Green to recover, matches have now resumed.

Bylaws

Following incidents of one dog attacking another and various dogs running loose on the Green the GPC are reviewing the existing bylaws.

It was agreed to enter The Best Kept Village again this year.

<u>Kick Wall</u>	2 further responses received, one in favour, one against. A follow up article is to appear in Focus	May 2010
<u>Edlesborough Green Pavilion</u>		
<u>Clerk's Report</u>	Batteries and Floodlights now removed from the Pavilion	May 2010
<u>Beautifying the Pavilion</u>	Cllr Brown will be holding meetings with Sports Clubs and other interested parties to discuss what can be achieved long term for the Pavilion	May 2010
<u>Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall Allotments</u>		
<u>Clerk's Report</u>	A further half plot has been let at Northall and The Green. A proposal has been made by the allotment holders at Cow Lane to cultivate two of the new allotments until October which was accepted by the GPC. The remaining two allotments will be available for letting.	.
<u>Edlesborough Cemetery/Churchyard</u>		
<u>Clerk's Report</u>	A meeting is to be held with the Churches Conservation Trust to discuss various matters relating to the Church. Burghope Trust to request permission of The Churches Conservation Trust to erect a bench by the new steps.	May 2010
<u>Cemetery Access/Bridleway gate</u>	Measurements to be taken to ascertain width required to allow farm vehicles etc. to gain access to the bridleway prior to discussing the design of a new gate.	May 2010
<u>Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall Street Lighting</u>	A light in Taskers Row has been reported as malfunctioning and will be repaired.	May 2010
<u>Highways/by-ways/footpaths</u>	The potholes in Brownlow Avenue and those forming on the High Street also Nelson Road, Dagnall have been reported	May 2010
<u>AVDC & BCC responsibilities</u>	Leighton Road, Northall drainage problems have been dealt with and drains will be jetted, ditches on the other side of the road to be cleared of debris and culverts to be checked, Anglian Water to inspect for 'grey water'. Dropped kerbs have been requested for Taskers Row.	May 2010
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Next Meeting: WEDNESDAY 5th MAY 2010 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing 7.30pm