

# Edlesborough Parish Council

## Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2010 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall

| <b>Item</b>  | <b>Content/Decision</b>  | <b>Next Review Date</b>    |
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| <b><u>Present</u></b>                              | Mr. Wilkinson (Chairman) Mrs. Thompson; Mrs Prys-Jones, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cabbage, Clerk - Lin Sargeant   | .                          |
| <b><u>Apologies</u></b>                            | Mr. Williams   | .                          |
| <b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>             | None declared at commencement of meeting   | .                          |
| <b><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></b>          | Signed as a correct record   | .                          |
| <b><u>Held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2010</u></b> |  |                            |
| <b><u>Matters Arising</u></b>                      | Referred to under following Agenda headings  | .                          |
| <b><u>Fixed Assets (Land etc. interests)</u></b>   | The Clerk had passed over to Councillors a schedule of all the information she had accumulated regarding Fixed Assets and confirmed that the only fixtures and fittings in the Memorial Hall when the Lease was signed were the built in cupboards and various lights and switches. The Committee considered the information supplied is probably sufficient for the Freedom of Information page on the website, but Cllr Cabbage to review The Clerk was requested to contact NALC to ascertain exactly what relevant figures should be included in the Annual Return and how these values are established particularly for the Memorial Hall and the Pavilion. Also whether a nominal figure for all other assets continues to be appropriate. Once this information is to hand consideration will be given to ascertain whether or not the current insurance valuations of the Memorial Hall and Pavilion are appropriate | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough Memorial Hall</u></b>           | .  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Clerk's Report</u></b>                       | Due to continual problems with drainage a new soakaway has been installed. Following a parishioner's request grab rails will be put in the 3 toilets.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Internal Decorating</u></b>                  | 2 quotations have been received, awaiting response from one more before making a decision  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Boilers/Heating system</u></b>               | Before making a final decision on the preferred quotations further questions are to be asked before Proceeding with the work.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |

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| <b><u>Under 5's</u></b>   | Proposals and drawings regarding alterations and extensions to the Hall had been received and were discussed at length. GPC would be responding in due course.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Memorial Hall &amp; Pavilion Car Parks</u></b>  | Awaiting response from parishioners following article to appear in March issue of Focus   | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Utilities Bills for Memorial Hall &amp; Pavilion</u></b>                                | No increase in water charges  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough Green (including play equipment, car parks, Sports activities etc.</u></b> | .   | .                          |
| <b><u>Clerk's Report</u></b>  | <p>Clerk to chase up on the Litter Bin posters. Several incidents had occurred with 'outside' teams playing football on the Green, an apology has been received from Leighton United Football Club. Due to the continuing weather conditions all football has been suspended until the Green recovers. Request for an Easter Soccer Camp from Luton &amp; Beds Football was declined due to the intensity of the facility preventing further wear and tear of the turf.</p> <p>Recent complaints have been received regarding problems with loose dogs on the Green and an incident of one dog attacking another. Signs requiring dogs to be on a lead are displayed on the Green but the full text of the Bylaws is not displayed. A review of the current Bylaws and the feasibility and value of displaying the full text would be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p>Clerk authorised to obtain quotations for replacing the existing 'Kissing Gate' fronting the High Street with a self closing gate. A request to provide a hard surface for the public footpath across the Green was discussed but not considered appropriate.</p> | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Kick Wall</u></b>   | It is hoped to receive further responses from Parishioners before discussing this further.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough Green Pavilion</u></b>   | .   |                            |
| <b><u>Clerk's Report</u></b>  | EB Lions requested not to store the batteries for the floodlights on the work surfaces of the kitchen area.   | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Beautifying the Pavilion</u></b>  | Cllr Brown agreed to undertake a 'Vision' project to replace the present Edlesborough Pavilion building with a multi-purpose sports and community centre, sponsored and maintained by clubs, societies and Edlesborough Parish Council (EPC) in partnership.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough, Dagnall &amp; Northall Allotments</u></b>                                 | One half plot has been let at Cow Lane and The Green. Former redundant plots at Cow Lane are now available for letting. A small area of fencing to be installed on The Green allotments.  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |

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| <b><u>Village Sign for Edlesborough</u></b>                        | The latest design was shown to the Committee who agreed this should be double sided on a metal post placed direct into the ground without the need for a planter. The Parish Council would need to decide on the precise position where this should be placed on the Green   | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough Cemetery/Churchyard</u></b>                     | Work continuing with the formation of new steps to the Church  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Cemetery Access/Bridleway gate</u></b>                       | To be discussed at the next meeting  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Edlesborough, Dagnall &amp; Northall Street Lighting</u></b> | No reported lights malfunctioning  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>Highways/by-ways/footpaths</u></b>                           | Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are 'retiring' from walking the footpaths. Additional Dog Fouling notices have been placed around Edlesborough and an article by the Clerk coupled with a Police poster has been put in Focus  | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
| <b><u>AVDC &amp; BCC responsibilities</u></b>                      | The Parish Council, District and County Councillors have been continually urging Bucks CC to carry out works to the drainage problems on the A4146 through Northall as a result of which many serious accidents have occurred over recent weeks. The Clerk was informed prior to this meeting that work will be commenced on Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March. | 31 <sup>st</sup> March '10 |
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| .  | The meeting closed at 10.37pm  | .                          |
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| .  | <b><u>Next Meeting: WEDNESDAY 3<sup>1st</sup> MARCH 2010 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing 7.30pm</u></b>   | .                          |