

Clerk's REPORT of the ordinary meeting of Edlesborough Parish Council

held on 20th February 2024 in Edlesborough Pavilion.

THAMES VALLEY POLICE

Are unable to attend the meeting. They have sent the following crime stats from 9th January to 14th February 2025.

EDLESBOROUGH	NORTHALL	DAGNALL
1x Suspicious Person	No reports	1x Suspicious Vehicle
1x Assault with Injury		1x Theft
2x Theft from Vehicle		1x Burglary
1x RTC		

ELECTIONS

The Clerk attended the Buckinghamshire Elections 2025 Update – January 31st, 2025. The presentation has been circulated to the full Council.

Nomination papers must be hand delivered to a Deputy Returning Officer at:

- The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF
- from Tuesday 18 March and no later than 4pm on Wednesday 2 April 2025
- weekdays between 10am-4pm
- two evening sessions to 8pm: Wednesday 19 March & 26 March

The Clerk has published information about the elections in the March Focus Magazine, on the parish noticeboards, Council website and Facebook page.

EPC SURGERY - 06/02/25

One parishioner requested support in getting Buckinghamshire Council to look into and rectify the issue with the trees at the bottom of Summerleys damaging cars. The Clerk tried to report the issue on Fix My Streets and received the following automated response.



O Tree sap/blossom or falling leaves

We do not prune or remove trees we own to stop issues caused by tree sap, or falling leaves, seeds or fruit. We also do not remove problem trees that cause these problems from private land. Honeydew or tree sap is caused by aphiids on some trees, and can be a problem if it drips onto vehicles, glass or paved surfaces. If this happens, tree sap can be removed using warm soapy water.

ASHRIDGE ESTATE COMMITTEE

The next meeting is on 24th February – Cllr Hurst will attend.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HIGHWAYS

Buckinghamshire Highways have new highlights page <u>Your Highways Highlight | Buckinghamshire Council</u> The Clerk has provided Councillors with a record of current issues.

SMALL GRANT APPLICATIONS

No new applications have been received.

TRAFFIC CALMING & SPEED WATCH

Speedwatch flyers have been printed, and Cllr Williams is distributing them.

The January 2025 MVAS Data is on the Council website.

It was reported to the Clerk on 10/02/25 that the Northall MVAS Device has been damaged. The Clerk has contacted Truvelo for a quote to repair the device. The device is still working but has been removed and put into storage to prevent water damage to the electrics.

FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

The Government have announced changes to the ICO fees of around 29%, EPC have been paying £40, this will increase to £52 in future.

Parish Amenities

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL DEVOLVED SERVICES.

Nothing to report.

AED'S & COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Cllr Booth attended the device status checks with the Clerk.

EDLESBOROUGH MEMORIAL HALL (EMH)

The boiler service will be conducted on 26th February.

Gas and Electric meter reads were taken on 02/02/2025 and submitted to SSE on 03/02/2025.

The Clerk attended a webinar on "Water Compliance and Legionella Control." A separate report will be sent to Council on this matter.

The Clerk has received the following information from Buckinghamshire Council regarding waste at EMH.

"UK Waste Regulations are changing from 31st March 2025.

As a local authority service with a commercial waste offering, we are able to continue to collect recycling mixed, i.e., mixing glass, fly-away plastic, paper, cardboard, and tin within the same container (bin). The new regulation stipulates that food waste must be presented and collected separately where food is part of a manufacture or production, such as a staff/pupil canteen.

Food waste produced from leftovers from staff/student personal meals is still permitted to be disposed of within the general refuse bins."

Currently EMH is exempt as it falls under this statement "*Micro-firms* (businesses with fewer than 10 full-time equivalent employees) will be

temporarily exempt from this requirement and will have until 31st March 2027 to arrange for recycling of core recyclable waste streams."

New locks have been added to both the outside waste and recycling bins due to the previous lock being broken. Keys have been issued to all users that have permitted access.





THE GREEN AND PLAY AREA

An order has been placed to replace the missing plaque by one of the new trees on the green. The cost is $\pm 42 + VAT$.

ST MARY'S CARNIVAL 2025

Eaton Bray Parish Council have confirmed that they wish to participate in a joint carnival stand again this year.

The Carnival date has been circulated to all with a request for councillor availability.

It is planned to follow the same format as last year.

The Clerk is investigating purchasing a banner similar to the EBPC one used last year.

The next Carnival Committee meeting is on 19th February, the Clerk will attend.



SPORTS CLUBS

Cricket

The annual agreement and invoice the 2025 season have been sent to Edlesborough Cricket Club.

EB Lions FC

Council received a request from a parishioner to restrict EB Lions use of the Green and to address the parking issues caused by the supporters at the weekend.

The Clerk responded explaining which parts of the Green the footballers are permitted to use and that the Club had already taken the decision to rest the adult pitch for the next weekend.

The Clerk has asked EB Lions to remind the home and away supporters to park considerately around the Green if the car parks are full.

Edlesborough Tennis Club

Nothing to report.

EDLESBOROUGH PAVILION

On 25th January, the glass in the main entrance door was smashed. ECSC CIO are reviewing the CCTV footage to try to identify the cause. ECSC CIO are working with their insurance company to repair the damage.

ECSC CIO have booked an appointment for the gas boiler to be serviced.

ALLOTMENTS Dagnall Allotments Six vacant plots. Northall Allotments All plots are let. The Clerk and warden have agreed to create a new plot for a Northall resident.

Cow Lane Allotments

All plots are let.

Green Allotments

One of the three available plots has been let to a new tenant. There are prospective tenants for the remaining two.

CEMETERY

Memorials of Distinction request permission to inscribe their trade name on the memorials on any memorials they supply and install in EPC cemetery. Examples images have been provided. Sometimes the inscription is put it on the back of the base and sometimes on the back of the inscription panel. They are always discreet.



The Council contractor has tidied the area outside the Cemetery compound and replaced the broken fence panel. Clearing the inside of the compound will be conducted later in the year.





CHURCHYARD

To date there has been no response from UK Power about the power cables in the tree branches.

See information in Tree Survey.

BRIDLEPATH

Nothing to report.

WAR MEMORIAL

Nothing to report.

BUS SHELTERS

Nothing to report.

CAR PARKS, LITTER, RECYCLING AND DOG BINS

The "Report Dog Fouling" posters have been updated and 100 have been printed at a cost of £43.29 including VAT.

The Clerk has posted the following information on the Council and local Facebook page following a post by a Bedfordshire Cllr informing people that dog waste can be put in any public bin.

"In Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall there are three types of bins.

- Red bins are for the disposal of dog waste.
- The Green bins on the pavements around the villages are emptied by Buckinghamshire Council. These are for general waste, including dog waste.
- Green bins on Edlesborough Geen and Dagnall Rec are emptied by EPC's contractor. These are for general waste <u>ONLY</u>. Please <u>DO NOT</u> put dog waste in these bins.



• Blue bins on Edlesborough Green are for items that can be recycled."

STREETLIGHTS

The failed streetlight at the entrance to Ivinghoe Way is now working. The photocell had failed. D16 in Hunstmans Close, Dagnall has failed. The Clerk has raised a request for a repair with UK Power Networks.

WEBSITE

Information about the upcoming elections has been added to the website.

CLERKS LAPTOP

Due to a suspected hardware issue the laptop has been assessed by Theo Gray he found no issues with the device.