## EDINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING held on Monday 16th June 2025 at 7:30pm.

Present: Mr Chris Clay, Mrs Laura Hill, Mr Benjamin Ian, Mr Tony Michon and Mrs Sue Thornton

In Attendance: Dr Robert Clay (Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

Apologies: Mr Maurice Needoff, Cllr Rainbow and Cllr Laughton.

Absent: Mrs Diana Poole

	The meeting was opened by the Clerk who welcomed everyone	Action
1.	<b>Election of Chairman.</b> Control of the meeting was given to the Clerk, who requested nominations for Chair. Chris Clay nominated Laura Hill and Benjamin Ian seconded this. Laura Hill accepted the nomination.	
	A vote was held and Laura Hill was elected as Chairman, with a term of 1 year. Laura Hill took the chair.	
2.	Election of Vice Chairman Laura Hill nominated Benjamin Ian, Sue Thornton seconded. Benjamin Ian indicated that he was happy to stand. A vote was held and Benjamin Ian was elected Vice Chair, with a term of 1 year.	
3.	Declaration of acceptance of Office. The chair, vice chair and	
	parish councillors present signed their declaration of acceptance	
	of office forms. These were countersigned by the clerk.	
4.	<b>Apologies for absence.</b> Apologies for absence had been received from Mr Maurice Needoff, Cllr Rainbow and Cllr Laughton. These were accepted.	
5.	<ul> <li>Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th March</li> <li>2025. The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record.</li> <li>a) Matters arising</li> <li>There were no matters arising not covered on the agenda</li> </ul>	
6a.	Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2025. These were agreed as a true and correct record. There were no matters arising.	
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8.	<b>Insurance Quotes.</b> 3 quotes for insurance had been sought prior to the meeting. The existing provider Zurich was accepted at a cost of £300. One company declined to quote, indicating they	

	could not be competitive, the third company which was			
	approached never responded to email.			
	<b>9. Annual Accounts 2024/2025.</b> The annual accounts and related documents, having previously been circulated, were discussed.			
	The council discussed the AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return), approving the accounts, accounting statements and agreed to the signing of the Certificate of Exemption.			
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	Other costs were higher in 2024/2025 than in 2023/2024 due to a £4200 payment for the repair of the drive to the Schoolroom and Village Car Park.			
	The accounts were audited and it was agreed that the auditor (A. Qureshi) be paid £25.00 for the work.			
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	The clerk presented up to date finances.			
<u>&gt; 2025</u>	<u>Edingley Parish Council Meeting - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025</u> <u>Clerks Report</u>			
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	Income since March 10th 2025 report			
	Procent		£6750.00	
	Precept Allotment Rents	-	£309.00	
	Interest on business reserve	-	£6.48	
		-	20.40	
	Total	-	£7065.48	
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	Expenditure since 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 report			
	Clerk's Salary (February, March, April + May)	-	£639.00	
	Mel (Pumpkin Seeds)	-	£11.45	
	Water Plus		£67.59	
	Lamb's (Rest of School Field)		£300.00	
	Clerk's Expenses	-	£16.19 £113.40	
	Post Office (Aquasacs) NALC	-	£113.40 £143.52	
	B. Ward (School Field)	-	£560.00	
	*Turnbulls (Allotment Hedge + OSR Work)	-	£2580.00	
	Marc Hazard (Poor Lane Ditch Clearance)	_	£450.00	
	Water Plus	_	£23.25	
	*Post Office Dog Poo Bins	_	£71.76	
	*Unwin Print	_	£38.00	
	*Zurich Insurance	-	£300.00	
	Total	-	£5314.16	
	Cheques marked with an asterisk were signed be			
	meeting and the last meeting, invoices were pres	entec	and	
	reconciled.			
	Bills to Pay			
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	Charles Veysey (2 x grass cuts)	-	£70.00	
	OSR Rent ( $1^{st}$ April 2024 – $31^{st}$ Mar 2025)	_	£190.00	
	Playsafety (Play area RosPA inspection)	_	£96.00	
	Ahmed (Audit)	_	£25.00	
	Croft Garden Services (litter picking – see item 12	2) -	£220.91	
	These were presented and approved for payment	t with	cheques	
	signed.			
11.	Chairman's Report.			
	The chair explained that the Parish Council would	d be r	eviewing	
	and updating the finance policy and the standing		•	
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	working group has been set up to do this and the revised	
	versions will be presented at the next meeting. Auditing	
	arrangements will be reviewed as part of the review of the	
	finance policy.	
	The parish council will investigate the potential use of online	
	banking.	
	The chair reported on work undertaken to secure a contract for	
	grass cutting. 3 providers have been approached who would be	
	happy to quote on an annual basis. A specification will be provided	
	determining what areas need cutting and the frequency of cuts.	
	Once the grass cutting contract is sorted, a similar process will be	
	undertaken for the hedge cutting.	
	The chair reported on the annual meeting held in April, which was	
	well attended. Andrew Hill gave a talk on "Sowing for the future".	
	At the annual meeting, Laura Hill, acting as interim chair, reported	
	on the need to maximise the use of community spaces.	
	As part of this process, the parish council have agreed to seek 3	
	quotes for the replacement of the lights in the village car park.	
	Some questions were asked about the use of Parish Council funds	
	to maintain the car park. One of the reasons for this is that the Old	
	School Room Association sacrificed their car park to facilitate the	
	installation of the Children's play area.	
	Provision of the car park was one of the conditions of the planning	
	permission for the play area.	
	Tony Michon queried why money was spent renting Lamb's Field.	
12.	Councillors' Reports. Maurice Needoff provided a report in his	
	absence. The defibrillator is now on circuit. Its quarterly check	
	has been performed and it is functioning ok.	
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40	Benjamin lan has procured some litter picking equipment.	
13.	Results of Planning	
	The clerk shared the results of planning. 25/00656/S73A. This	
	applications relates to land which is currently subject to an	
	existing enforcement notice and so Newark and Sherwood	
	District Council are declining to determine the application.	
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	maintenance checks and the report from the annual ROSPA	
	inspection. Two issues were highlighted as 'yellow', requiring	
	attention. The gate, which doesn't close properly and there are	
	loose fixtures on the basket swing.	

	These will be addressed.	BI
15.	<b>Allotments.</b> The open allotments weekend will be the 12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup> of July. Judging will take place in the week before (7 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> July). Score sheets to be with Mel no later than 7:00pm on 11 <sup>th</sup> July.	
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17.	Correspondence. There was no correspondence.	
21.	<b>Business for next meeting.</b> Standing orders, finance policy, car park lighting, grass cutting.	
22.	Date and time of next meeting. 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 7:30 pm	
	The chair closed the meeting at 8:45 pm	