

EDINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING held on Wednesday 19th July 2023 at 7:30pm.

Present: Mrs Diana Poole (Chair), Mr Chris Clay, Mr Benjamin Ian, Mr Tony Michon and Mr Maurice Needoff

In Attendance: Dr Robert Clay (Clerk), Cllr Laughton and 11 members of the public.

Apologies: Mrs Sue Thornton, Cllr Rainbow, Cllr Harris.

	The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. Mr Benjamin Ian signed his declaration of acceptance of office as he was not present an able to do so at the previous meeting.	Action
1.	Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Sue Thornton, Cllr Rainbow and Cllr Harris. Apologies were accepted.	
2.	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th May 2023. Minutes reviewed and agreed as accurate. Signed by the chair.	
2a.	Matters arising from the minutes. No matters arising not already on the agenda.	
3.	Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 21st June 2023. Minutes reviewed and agreed as accurate. Signed by the chair.	
3a.	Matters arising from the minutes. The chair informed the meeting that she had attended the planning committee relating to this application (23/00890/OUT). A similar application has been put in many times and rejected. The applicant is seeking further review.	
4.	Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest	
5.	Allotment Weekend Results. The chair gave a report on the open allotments weekend and judging. Based on the evaluation process and the criteria, the judging panel reached a consensus on the best allotments. The winners demonstrated exceptional visual appeal, excellent maintenance, a diverse range of produce, effective cultivation techniques, and a commitment to ecological practices. It is important to note that while this report focuses on judging the best allotments, all allotment holders should be commended for their dedication and efforts, especially during challenging climatic conditions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best full plot Ian Roberts winning the Hill Cup • Best half plot Greg Steele winning the Frost Cup • Best newcomers Steve Kemp • Special commendations Roy Hurst 	
6.	Chairmans Report. The chair had attended an environment meeting relating to Old Hall Farm. The reservoir has been filled in but there is still ongoing enforcement activity in relation to the site.	

	<p>Mr Ed Compton has resigned as the allotment manager effective on 31st December 2023.</p> <p>Mel Sims has volunteered to take this on. It was agreed that Mel would be set on once Ed leaves.</p> <p>The Clerk and Chair will draft a job description.</p>	Clerk and Chair
Public and Item 10 Flooding/Drainage.	<p>The Chair opened the meeting to the public.</p> <p>There have been multiple complaints relating to flooding issues, both surface water flooding and sewage. Some of these had been circulated in advance of the meeting, others were expressed on the day.</p> <p>Some of the issues raised where the limited capacity of the sewers and run off from fields.</p> <p>Towards the end of the meeting, these comments were relayed to Cllr Laughton who said that he would contact Matt Duckworth, the County Council flooding officer, who would then liaise with Severn Trent.</p> <p>It was suggested that a suitable external body be invited to talk and advise landowners on what they can do to reduce run off.</p> <p>There were also numerous complaints regarding the state of footpaths. The footpath between Station Road and Main Street is overgrown. The chair will raise this with the landowner.</p> <p>The pavement along Main Street to Farnsfield is in very poor condition. The chair informed the public that Steve Stevenson from Highways is aware of the issue.</p>	Chair
7.	<p>Children’s Play Area Maintenance. Maintenance reports were circulated. No major issues other than the usual checking and tightening of bolts. The gate has been adjusted as this was highlighted in an earlier report.</p>	
8.	<p>Facilities in Edingley – School Field + Wildflower Area. Work has been completed on School Field with new gates installed and brambles and hedges cut back.</p> <p>The Parish Council will need to decide what the long-term plan is for this field.</p>	
9.	<p>Speeding. Speeding is a persistent issue in the village and there has been an accident recently on Station Road. Once the schools are reopened it is intended that a speed survey be carried out.</p> <p>Clerk to check whether Sarah Harness wishes to continue with the speed watch.</p>	Clerk
11.	<p>Councillor’s Reports. There were no reports from councillors.</p>	
12.	<p>Clerk’s Report and Finance. The clerk presented the finances.</p>	

Finance Report since March 22nd 2023

Current Account (balance as of 30/06/2023)	-	£9963.10
Reserve Account (balance as of 30/06/2023)	-	£1254.46
Total	-	£11217.56
Total available (accounting for uncashed cheques)	-	<u>£10330.87</u>

Of which:-

Income since March 22nd 2023

NSDC Coronation Grant	-	£200.00
Precept	-	£5750.00
Business Reserve Interest	-	£4.44
Total	-	£5954.44

Uncashed cheques are indicated with *Italics*

Expenditure since March 22nd 2023

Clerk's Salary (March, April, May and June)	-	£639.00
Water Plus	-	£67.26
NALC Membership	-	£116.44
Dog Poo Bins	-	£62.40
Ahmed (Audit)	-	£25.00
Playsafety	-	£90.00
Unwin Print	-	£84.60
Zurich Insurance	-	£167.44
Paul Garratt Car Park	-	£980.00
<i>Robert (Web Cam)</i>	-	<i>£17.59</i>
<i>Robert (Clerks Backpay 2020)</i>	-	<i>£44.10</i>
<i>OSR (Rent and Coronation expenses)</i>	-	<i>£825.00</i>
Total	-	£3118.83

Transparency Code Funding still to spend - £1407.85

Bills to Pay

Noticeboard	£125
Marc Hazard (work on School Field)	£1529
Clerk Expenses	£16.40
Chair Expenses	£2.00

One of the allotment holders has arranged for a noticeboard to be erected on the allotments. The allotment holder was happy to pay for this, however it was decided that the Parish Council would pay for this. Clerk to contact Men in Sheds to get payment details.

13.	Results of Planning. The clerk presented the results of planning. 23/00890/OUT was refused. Reasons can be found on the NSDC Planning Website.	
14.	Discussion of Planning Application 23/01009/FUL, Change of use and conversion of an existing outbuilding to an annexe with games room ancillary to the main dwelling. Challands Farm, Radley Road, Halam, Newark On Trent. The application was discussed. It was noted that there was insufficient information to come to a decision. The Parish Council abstained.	
Bruce Laughton.	Bruce Laughton Reported that the County Council voted to move out from County Hall relocating to a new development at Top Wighay in Hucknall. The new development costs are expected to be £18 million, with £40 million expected from the sale of County Hall. The existing building is expensive to heat (£1.8 million per year) and only at 30% occupancy. Works will start on the A614 improvements towards the end of the year. Bruce Laughton will raise the flooding issues with Matt Duckworth the flooding officer.	
15.	Business for Next Meeting. Flooding, Footpaths, Allotments Manager.	
16.	Date/time of Next Meeting. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 th September at 7:30pm	
	The chair closed the meeting at 9:00 pm	