

**EDINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH
MEETING held on Monday 18th March 2024 at 7:30pm.**

Present: Mrs Diana Poole (Chair), Mr Chris Clay, Mrs Laura Hill, Mr Benjamin Ian, Mr Maurice Needoff and Mrs Sue Thornton

In Attendance: Dr Robert Clay (Clerk), Cllr Rainbow, Cllr Laughton and 4 members of the public.

Apologies: None.

Absent: Mr Tony Michon

	The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. The chair also welcomed Mrs Laura Hill onto the council, having been co-opted at the previous meeting. Mrs Hill signed her declaration of acceptance of office.	Action
1.	Apologies for absence. None	
2.	Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th January 2024. Minutes reviewed and agreed as accurate.	
2a.	Matters arising from the minutes. Aqua sacs have been delivered and are stored in the outside toilets at the Edingley Old Schoolroom. These can be requested by contacting the Clerk or the Chairman. The boundary fence has now been completed.	
3.	Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest.	
4.	Chairman's Report Cllr Rainbow and the chair attended a planning committee meeting in support of a retrospective planning application for a porch at Foxgloves (23/01338/LBC). This was rejected even though the Parish Council had supported the application. The applicants are to appeal	
5.	Flood Committee. We have had a response from Ross Marshall. Contractors are to be on site on the 27 th and 28 th March to investigate the drainage. Section 19 notices are starting to go through, but Edingley is not in the first batch.	
6.	Children's Play Area Maintenance. The litter bin on the car park near the play area has been added to the schedule and has been emptied. The annual ROSPA inspection of the play area is due to take place in May.	
7.	Car Park Maintenance. Large potholes have formed in the car park and maintenance is required. There are also issues with the driveway access and the tarmac area in front of the Schoolroom. The chair of the Parish Council and the chair of the Edingley Old	

	<p>School Room Association met with contractors to discuss the issues.</p> <p>The parish council are responsible for the car park, so 3 quotes were requested. One company quoted £18000, one company declined to quote and a third quoted £3500 +VAT.</p> <p>It was agreed that this quote would be accepted.</p>	
12.	<p>Councillors Reports. Cllr Laughton gave an update on the upcoming elections being held on 2nd May. The new East Midlands Mayor will be elected along with the Police and Crime Commissioner. The mayor will have a budget of £750 million from the 3rd year, so this is a particularly important post. It would be good to see a high turnout.</p> <p>Work will start on the Mickledale lane junction on the A614 in July, with Ollerton Roundabout works starting in November.</p>	
8.	<p>Lambs Field and School Field. School field is not currently flat enough to use. The gardener is looking to resolve this when the area dries out.</p> <p>A member of the public made the point that the use of these spaces needs to be promoted. The parish council are going to come up with ideas for the use of the fields.</p>	
9.	<p>Budget. The budget was circulated and approved. £1000 of the precept is to go into the business reserve to start saving for when play area equipment needs replacing.</p>	
10.	<p>Boundary Fence. The boundary fence in the car park has been completed and paid for.</p>	
11.	<p>Allotments.</p> <p>The allotment strategy was circulated and discussed. There is a need to optimise the allotments.</p> <p>Mel will do an annual report for the annual parish meeting.</p> <p>The open allotment weekend is set for the 20th-21st of July. The scarecrow competition will be replaced with a photo competition.</p> <p>Rents have been collected with only two outstanding, these will be chased up.</p> <p>There are currently two unusable allotments and the ditch on Poor Lane needs attention. This will be done after the drainage investigations have been completed.</p> <p>There are plans for an allotment working day and it is hoped that some work can be done on the track.</p>	Clerk
13.	<p>Clerk's Report and Finance</p> <p>The clerk presented the finance report.</p> <p><u>Edingley Parish Council Meeting - Monday 18th March 2024</u></p> <p><u>Clerks Report</u></p> <p><u>Finance Report since January 15th 2024</u></p> <p>Current Account (balance as of 29/02/2024) - £8935.5</p>	

	Reserve Account (balance as of 29/02/2024) - £1266.48 Total - £10201.98 Total available (accounting for uncashed cheques) - £9751.98 Of which:- Income since January 15th 2024 report Business Reserve Interest - £3.12 Return of N.Welch Cheque - £470.00 Total - £473.12 Uncashed cheques are indicated with <i>Italics</i> <u>Expenditure since 15th January 2024 report</u> Clerk's Salary (January and February) - £319.50 N. Welch Garden Services - £470.00 St Giles Church - £1250.00 Water Plus - £26.05 <i>Marc Hazard (Fence)</i> - £450.00 Total - £2515.55 Transparency Code Funding still to spend - £1407.85 <u>Bills to Pay</u> <i>Water Plus</i> - £64.79 NALC - £123.84 <i>Dog Waste</i> - £68.64 <i>Election Recharge</i> - £68.70 <i>Robert (Web Cam)</i> - £17.59 <i>Robert (Clerks Backpay 2020)</i> - £44.10 Checks were written to cover the Water Plus bill, NAL:C, Dog Waste Bins and the Election Recharge. The clerk's items are deferred to the next meeting.	
14.	Results of Planning. The planning application discussed during the chairman's report was the only decision notice received. This application was refused 23/01338/LBC.	
Public	The chair opened the meeting to the public. The stile on the footpath next main street is damaged and dangerous. The chair will look into this. A member of the public reported that Severn Trent have been in the village and it is not clear why. Clerk to contact them to find out what they are doing.	
15.	Business for Next Meeting. Annual Meeting, Election of Chair and Vice Chair, Insurance Quotes, Accounts. Report from Severn Trent	

18.	Date and Time of next meeting. Monday 3 rd June 2024 at 7:30pm.	
19.	The chair closed the meeting at 8:40 pm	