Edlesborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting

19th July 2007

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Edlesborough Parish Council held on Thursday 19th July 2007 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall

Present

Chairman, Cllr Mrs. Thompson Cllr Brown. Cllr Cubbage, Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Mrs. Prys-Jones, Cllr Mrs. Ratheram, Cllr Conacher, Cllr Williams, Lin Sargeant, Clerk and 2 Parishioners

Apologies District Councillor Terry Jones. Cllr Karen Coppen

Affordable Housing

Jean Fox representing Buckinghamshire Community Action gave a very informative explanation of the situation regarding affordable housing in the Parishes. Various questions were raised and Jean would be more than happy to be contacted for any further information.

Safer Routes to Schools

Paul Wright accompanied by Debbie Dunstan gave the Parish Council an impressive presentation of what had been achieved so far and what Safer Routes to School hoped to achieve in the near future. The crocodile scheme is having a tremendous effect with 60 children walking three different routes to Edlesborough School. Having obtained a Level 3 award this has attracted funding of £5,000. It's main aims are to upgrade the Ivinghoe Aston to Edlesborough bridleway and to install VAS signs outside the School, restricting parking outside the School, parking arrangements for the School Bus and the installation of double yellow lines. The Parish Council were requested if it would provide funding during this financial year and to consider additional funding in the Precept for 2008/9. Cllr Cubbage proposed that such a request would be formally taken on board and the Parish Council would support Safer Routes to School in principle. The Parish Council would write to the landowners of the bridleway.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The original draft Minutes were agreed and signed by the Chairman with one amendment.

Matters Arising from the previous Minutes

To be dealt with under the following Agenda headings

Declaration of Interests & Code of Conduct

Enquiries being made as to the legality or otherwise of adding additional wording to the Code of Conduct. Parish Council may have to apply for dispensation from the Standards Board regarding Councillors' interests in allotments.

Finance Reports:

Financial reports to 30th June 2007 were produced, As agreed at the last meeting the remaining balance in hand in Special Projects has been transferred to the Cemetery Access Project.

Authorisation of cheques (July 2007)

The following list of cheques were authorised for payment by the Chairman:

Administration & Office expenses, including telephone 120.55

Memorial Hall/Pavilion expenses 625.79

Salaries (including PAYE/NIC) 1,272.36

Grass & hedge cutting The Green, Dagnall, Cemetery & Churchyard 3,533.09

Dagnall Recreation Field playing field, weeding and strimming 120.00

Allotment expenses - Cutting grass at Cow Lane 30.00

EDaN Project expenses 53.26

Miscellaneous expenses 52.00

Streetlight repairs 383.23

Parish Election costs 249.00

Total £ 6,439.28

Planning

The following applications had been received, permitted or refused as at 19.7.07

		porch		
07/01772/APP 28th June 2007	5 Dunstable Road Dagnall	Demolition of garage and erection of two storey detached dwelling	No Objections	
07/01863/APP 6th July 2007	Sparrow Hall Farm Leighton Road Edlesborough	Rebuild barn for commercial use	No Objections	
07/01287/APP 10th May 2007	2 Church Croft Edlesborough	Two storey side extension	No Objections	Permitted
07/01289/APP 10th May 2007	Lower Farm Leighton Road Northall	Demolition of existing building and erection of single storey extension to house swimming pool	No Objections	Permitted
07/01329/APP 21st May 2007	Rose Cottage 14 Leighton Road Edlesborough	Part single, part two storey rear extension	No Objections	Permitted
07/01386/APP 21st May 2007	Land Adj.To 40 Summerleys Edlesborough	Approval of reseved matters relating to erection of bungalow (05/02153/AOP)	No Objections	Permitted
07/01483/APP 31st May 2007	7 Jacksons Close Edlesborough	Rear Conservatory	No Objections	Permitted

Planning Issues

Dagnall S106 - No further information

Beacon View, Northall - Letters of authority awaited

Correspondence received

Bucks CC - The County Development Infrastructure Plan

Thames Water - response re manhole (Dagnall)

Clerk & Councils Direct - subscription

AVDC - Overspill at Leighton Buzzard, Public Consultation

Dacorum Borough Council - Revised Local Development Scheme

Chilterns Conservation Board – Accounts to 31st March 2007

Chilterns AONB - Draft Guidance for the Environment, Management of Roads for the Chilterns AONB

Bucks CC - Gypsy & Traveller Accommodation Needs in Buckinghamshire

Bucks CC - Minerals & Waste Local Development Framework

Information on Councillors Training Course – 25th & 22nd September

Shaping Health in Buckinghamshire

Aylesbury Vale Local Committee Minutes of meetings held in April and July

AVDC – Notice of changes to items that Village Freighter Collection Service can no longer take. This information will be put on the Notice Boards when the Freighter is next due to visit the Parish

Letter from Parishioner regarding the Northall Freighter, Clerk to respond

Letter from Chairman of St. Mary's Carnival Committee thanking the Parish Council for their support

AVDC - Review of polling Districts and Polling Places - Details to go on the Notice boards

AVDC - Questionnaire regarding Parish Play Provision Audit

AVDC - Core Strategy and Aylesbury Allocated Sites Development Plan documents.

General Purposes Committee Report

Councillors had been given a copy of the draft Minutes of the June meeting. Plaques from Awards for All and AVDC

have been received and put up in the Memorial Hall. A fire safety Risk Assessment has been carried out. Owain Prys-Jones was congratulated on his achievement in obtaining funding for the basketball base which should be in situ shortly.

Traffic Calming Reports

Dagnall: Confirmed that work to form the 'Build Out' is included in Bucks CC schedule of works

Northall: Installation of footpath to Slapton Road to be discussed

Northall: The Petition to reduce the speed limit on the A4146 through Northall had attracted over 160

signatures, further signatures were to be obtained and sent via County Councillor to Bucks CC

Edlesborough: Observed that the film company's own 'slow down' signs had helped to reduce speeding at Church

End.

Edlesborough: Measurements to be taken of distance between streetlights in High Street to enable signs and

roundels to be included.

Edlesborough: Bucks CC have been asked why white lines have not yet been completed through the villages

The Villages - issues other than Traffic Calming and matters delegated to the GPC

Notices had been placed on the Notice Boards and given to Dagnall and Edlesborough Schools giving details of Play Around the Parishes events taking place during the summer

Dagnall: No decision yet made by BT regarding the re-installation of the telephone kiosk

Dagnall: Parish to contact Aylesbury Vale Housing Trust with regard to empty houses in Dagnall

Edlesborough: St. Mary's Carnival had been a great success despite very wet weather prior to the event. The

Parish Council congratulated St. Mary's Carnival Committee on their magnificent financial

achievement

Edlesborough: Film Company have installed a new post to the gate on the bridleway at the Church and it is hoped

that the bridleway will be made good to a satisfactory finish.

Tennis Club Lease - Lease awaited for signature, Clerk to ascertain reason for delay.

Parish Plan (EDaN Project)

Sports Clubs have become involved in the EDaN Project. A Questionnaire is being produced to be delivered to every household in the Parish in September. The Chairman was concerned about the Questionnaire and felt that it ought to be revised. After return the Questionnaires will be analysed to identify specific projects before being presented to the Parish Council at a special meeting. Suggestions given as to who to contact for archive material.

Aylesbury Vale Local Committee

Open Forum

Considerable discontent shown by members attending the meeting regarding the slow progress of the Speed Limit Review and the fact that Bucks CC were not prepared to consider any requests for speed limit changes outside the review.

Green Infrastructure Plan

Presentation given explaining Bucks CC's work in preparing a green infrastructure strategy for the county

Waste Management

Presentation given on the latest Waste Development Plan Document. The principal waste management location for this part of the county will remain at Calvert, with a smaller facility near Aston Clinton

Revised Code of Conduct

Enquiries being made regarding the inclusion of allotments

Revised Environmental Guidelines for the Management of Roads in the Chilterns

The current version of the document is being updated.

Local Delivery Plan

Enquiries being made as to why the Parish Council's request for dropped kerbs had not been identified in the Local Delivery Plan.

Neighbourhood Action Group

More representatives had attended the last meeting and various issues were discussed with the Police

Matters to Report to the Police for Monthly Police Report

None raised by the Parish Council. Ringmaster had sent details of numerous incidents occurring throughout the Parish.

Items for the Agenda for meeting 20th September 2007

None to be recorded

The Chairman had great pleasure in acknowledging the invaluable services of Sue and John Parker over their many years of serving the Parish by presenting them with a plaque which will be placed at the foot of a tree to be planted on The Green.

NEXT MEETING; THURSDAY 20th September 2007 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing 7.30pm