



EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of Edlesborough Parish Council
held on 16th November 2023 in Edlesborough Pavilion.

Open Forum

Nothing was raised.

Cllr Booth formally opened the meeting at 7.31pm

Present.

Cllr Booth, Cllr Owen, Cllr Cubbage, Cllr Hurst, Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Wells, Cllr Ferguson, Buckinghamshire Cllr Chris Poll, Penny Pataky (the Clerk) and two parishioners.

Apologies

Cllr Harpley, Cllr Williams, Buckinghamshire Cllr Peter Brazier.

Declaration of Interests

None were declared.

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Edlesborough Parish Council held on Thursday 19th October 2023

Council agreed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Edlesborough Parish Council held on 19th October 2023 with no amendments.

Matters Arising from the Minutes (not covered in the agenda)

Nothing was raised.

Buckinghamshire Council Report

Including Community Board for Ivinghoe and Wing Ward.

The next Wing and Ivinghoe Community Board Meeting. is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 21st November 2024 at The Biggs Pavilion, Orchard Ground, Stewkley Road, Cublington. LU7 0LR.

To see the publicly available information, follow the link: [Agenda details](#)

BC Cllr Chris Poll drew Councils attention to the following two items and ask that the information be shared as widely as possible.

- The ICB, formally CCGs, are seeking feedback on future provision. Please use this link for more information: <https://yourvoicebob-icb.uk.engagementhq.com/>
- Public consultation event to be held at Pitstone Pavilion on 28/11/23 regarding the latest proposals for the restoration of Pitstone Quarry. Please use this link for more information: <https://pitstone.co.uk/localnews/public-consultation-re-restoration-of-pitstone-quarry-28-11-23/?fbclid=IwAR2OY5viWE4lvpg9CIYndwQA1ZXfoX9MAfGqg8SPHw8dbjL9TEcexiYNSDw>

Planning

Led by Cllr Wilkinson.

The following applications were considered, and it was agreed to submit the following responses to Buckinghamshire Council Local Planning Authority

Application No.	Address	Description	Parish Council Response
23/03153/APP 26 th Oct 2023	18 Good Intent Edlesborough	Single storey rear extension	No objections
23/03265/APP 2 nd Nov 2023	Mill House 42 Moor End Edlesborough	First floor side extension	No objections

The following decisions had been notified by Buckinghamshire Council Local Planning Authority:

Application No.	Address	Description	Parish Council Response	LPA Decision
23/02332/APP Amended 7 th Sept 2023	Primrose Bungalow Dunstable Road Dagnall	Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with a dormer bungalow	No objections	Permitted
23/02460/APP 15 th August 2023	18 Leighton Road Northall	Two storey rear extensions and replacement front porch	No objections	Permitted
23/02775/APP 18 th Sept 2023	25 Summerleys Edlesborough	Replacement of an existing conservatory with a single storey rear extension	No objections	Permitted
23/02866/APP 22 nd Sept 2023	18 Moor End Close Edlesborough	Change of use of attached garage to dog grooming salon	No objections	Permitted

AGREE S106 FOR 23/02130/APP - LAND NORTH OFF GOOD INTENT

Council agreed to request that the S106 monies for 23/02130/APP – Land north of Good Intent would be allocated to *“Improvements to Edlesborough Pavilion and/or the Village Green and/or the Recreation Ground at The Green, Edlesborough and/or improvements, modernisation and/or refurbishment to Edlesborough Memorial Hall”*.

BELLWAY DEVELOPMENT – DOUBLE YELLOW LINES

Zoe Ford, Head of Highways has responded with the following in relation to the missing yellow lines near the Bellway development:

*“I’ve had confirmation from the Transport Strategy team regarding the contribution. It was paid in 2022 and the funding is currently held in the council reserve. Buckinghamshire Council oversees development/delivery of developer funded (s106) schemes, through an annual programme and it would be necessary for this scheme to go through a public consultation before it can be taken forward to delivery. We don’t yet have a defined timescale for taking this scheme forward, but it would not be before the 2024/25 financial year and would be led by the **Parking team**. I hope this clarifies the current position of the contribution.”*

23/02966/APP – CHANGE OF USE 2 PEBBLEMOOR, EDLESBOROUGH (NMJ SERVICE CENTRE)

Cllr Wilkinson shared a summary of the responses (up to 14/11/2023) to the planning application for change of use from NMJ Service Centre to a retail outlet and convenience store.

There were 540 objections to the application and 14 in support of it. 330 objections were from Edlesborough residents and 136 from residents of Eaton Bray. Six Edlesborough and 4 Eaton Bray residents supported the application.

It is anticipated that a decision will be made in Spring 2024.

Villages

EDLESBOROUGH

- The property owner who removed a section of The Pastures Hedge on Pebblemoor has started reinstating it.
- Youths continue to ride motorbikes/dirt bikes around the village and across Edlesborough Green. On one occasion they rode through the middle of an EB Lions football match. Witnesses are reminded to report any further incidents to Thames Valley Police.
- The broken railing on the bridge between the Rights of Way tracks EDL/3/1 and EDL/3/2 has not been repaired by the Rights of Way Team. (report reference number is: 231014482).

DAGNALL

- A resident of Dunstable Road has raised concern about the speed of vehicles on Dunstable Road. The MVAS device has been relocated to this location.

NORTHALL

- The Clerk has received a request for support in a flooding issue on Leighton Road to be addressed by BH. This has been reported on at least two occasions but to date no work has been carried out. The Clerk has raised this with the LAT.

Action: forward issue to BC Cllr Chris Poll.

Projects

EDLESBOROUGH PAVILION UPDATE

Cllr Cubbage reported that the Pavilion working party and Clerk met with Ken Holloway and Richard Diggle to address the ongoing snagging list. Progress is being made on most items.

It was agreed that more investigative work is required to identify the source of the water ingress issue.

Richard Diggle will create a job specification for this and invite contractors to quote for the work.

Traffic Calming

SPEEDWATCH – LED BY CLLR WILLIAMS

Prior to the meeting Cllr Williams circulated a written update to Council about Speedwatch and MVAS.

MVAS DEVICES AND DATA

The Clerk has downloaded and circulated the MVAS Data for August, September, and October to the Council.

Two devices have been relocated to the following locations –

- Dunstable Road, Dagnall
- High Street, Edlesborough (near the junction with Cow Lane)

The device at Knolls View, Leighton Road, Northall has been rotated 180 degrees.

The Clerk will share the device software with Cllr Wilkinson for analysis.

A rota will be drawn up for the siting of the devices. Council agreed that they will be moved or rotated monthly. The costs for this will be paid from the Special Projects Traffic Calming budget.

WHEELIE BIN STICKERS

The Dagnall and Northall stickers have been given to Councillors Owen and Cubbage for distribution.

Edlesborough Councillors will commence distributing the Edlesborough stickers shortly.

EDaN Updates

Led by Cllr Williams

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH ON THE HILL

- The Clerk has asked BUCKSALC if the statement “*may not, by law, contribute to the fabric of the Church assets, so no bells, no pews, no windows!*” applies to Churches that come under the jurisdiction to The CCT.
- The Clerk has chased the quote for the replacement of the Churchyard Steps as a significant amount of time has passed since the original quote was received.
- Cllr Ferguson reported that the group are ready to proceed with the window restoration, this is currently being held up as they await a site visit from a representative from The CCT.
- The group still await payment of almost £1500 from The CCT for the window restoration project.

EDAN BEAUTIFICATION TEAM

A purchase order has been raised for the supply, install, and removal of two Xmas trees, one on the Green and one at the end of Cow Lane.

Finance

ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH ENDED 31ST OCTOBER 2023

Council approved the accounts for the month ended 31st October 2023.

The 2024/25 Budget Working Party meeting will take place on 30th November 2023.

The Precept information is yet to be received from BC.

AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

Council approved the November 2023 payments.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAY SCALES

The local government pay scales for 2023 have now been agreed. The increase is backdated to the 1st April 2023.

Parish Amenities

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL DEVOLVED SERVICES.

More information on Devolved Services is yet to be received from Buckinghamshire Council.

PARISH PATH MAPS

Cllr Hurst and the Clerk are exploring options for printing the definitive map and possible other information for the Parish Paths noticeboards.

AED'S & CFR'S

A new cabinet has been purchased for the AED at The Red Lion, Dagnall. The existing one is plastic and has become brittle and cracked. The new cabinet will be installed shortly. The landlord and electrician will also explore whether it can be sited in a more visible position.

EMH

Nothing to report.

THE GREEN AND PLAY AREA

Swing Repairs & Older Play Area

The Clerk is still awaiting parts for the swings (new shackles for the tops of the chains). The Council contractor will install them upon receipt.

The damaged paint has been replaced and has been passed to the Council handyman.

Annual Inspections

DVH and NVH have been sent the reports for their play areas.

The inspector identified some issues with the new play equipment. The supplier has visited and has rectified most of the issues. A piece of wood is on order to replace the identified damaged wood. It will be installed by the supplier upon receipt.

SPORTS CLUBS

Nothing to report.

EDLESBOROUGH PAVILION

Balcony Glass

No update.

Acoustic Panels

These have now been installed in the clubroom.

ALLOTMENTS

Dagnall

One tenant has been sent a late payment invoice.

There are six plots available to rent.

The warden has been unable to turn off the water for winter. The tap seems damaged. This has been reported to Thames Water who will investigate in the next five days.

Cow Lane

The trees and hedges have been cut. Some additional work was authorised by the Clerk whilst the tree surgeon was on site.

One plot is vacant, the warden is offering this to someone on the waiting list.

Northall

Two plots are available to rent.

One tenant has been written to about the condition of their plot.

The Green

Four plots have been given up. The warden and the Clerk are in the process of offering them to people on the waiting list.

CEMETERY

The outstanding payment from SA Bates for a burial that took place in September has been received.

CHURCHYARD

Nothing to report.

BRIDLEPATH

Nothing to report.

WAR MEMORIAL

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

The service was well attended despite the weather.

EPC gives thanks to –

- Mrs Lorna Cabbage for organising all the volunteers to man the road closures.
- All the volunteers who manned the road closure points.
- Mr Rob Pratt, Joe, and Rob for putting out and collecting the road closure signs on the day.
- MW Agri Ltd for erecting and collecting the advance road closure notices.

BUS SHELTERS

The Council handyman will repaint the seat of the bus stop near the top of the High Street, Edlesborough.

CAR PARKS, LITTER, RECYCLING AND DOG BINS

The Council handyman will attend to the ivy on the trees at the Pebblemoor car park and along the side of the Green opposite St Marys Glebe.

The new litter bin and recycling bin have been installed near the new play equipment. Edlesborough Primary kindly agreed to draw this to the attention of the pupils at the school.

A new litter bin has been ordered for near Edlesborough Pavilion balcony.

STREETLIGHTS

One failed light on Deans Meadow, Dagnall has been reported to UK Power Networks for attention.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HIGHWAYS ISSUES

- The sinking drain at the junction of Brook Street and High Street was marked out with white paint but to date no repair has been carried out.

WEBSITE

Nothing to report.

Facebook

Discussions have focused on:

- NMJ Planning Applications

Website Accessibility and GDPR

Nothing to report.

Items for future meetings when more information is available:

- *Re-wilding – Led by Cllrs Owen and Wells*
- *EMH Status and refurbishment - led by Cllr Wilkinson*

Items for the agenda for EPC meeting to be held on 21st December 2023 in Edlesborough Pavilion

- 2024/25 Draft Budget.

The meeting closed at 21.32.

Key to abbreviations:

EPC – Edlesborough Parish Council

BC – Buckinghamshire Council

Cllr – Councillor

EBPC – Eaton Bray Parish Council

WI – Women's Institute

ECC – Edlesborough Cricket Club

ETC – Edlesborough Tennis Club

ECSC CIO – Edlesborough Community Sports Club CIO

EDaN Beautification Team – Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall Beautification Team

FOTCOTHE – Friends of the Church on the Hill, Edlesborough

The CCT – The Churches Conservation Trust

The PCC – The Parochial Church

TVP – Thames Valley Police

BH - Buckinghamshire Highways formerly known as TfB – Transport for Bucks

LAT – Local Area Technician

BBLP - Balfour Beatty Living Places