

**Edlesborough Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting**

**17<sup>th</sup> May 2007**

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Edlesborough Parish Council held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at 7.52pm at Edlesborough Pavilion

**Present**

Chairman, Cllr Mrs Thompson Cllr Brown Cllr Mrs. Prys-Jones, Cllr Mrs. Ratheram, Cllr Conacher, Lin Sargeant, Clerk 3 Parishioners and 3 representatives from Under 5's Playgroup

**Apologies** Cllr Cabbage, Cllr Wilkinson

**Co-option of additional Councillors**

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Prys-Jones and seconded by Cllr Ratheram that Mrs Karen Coppen, representing Dagnall Ward, be co-opted onto the Parish Council and to be Planning representative for Dagnall

Proposed by Cllr Conacher and seconded by Cllr Prys-Jones that Mr Alan Williams, representing Edlesborough Ward, be co-opted onto the Parish Council and a member of the General Purpose Committee

**Declaration of Acceptance**

All Councillors signed Declarations of Acceptance which were witnessed by the Clerk

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The Minutes were signed following correction of a spelling error

**Matters Arising from the previous Minutes**

These will be raised under the following Agenda headings

**Under 5's**

The Chairman had received a personal letter from a Parent regarding the alternative arrangements which had to be made whilst the Memorial Hall floor was under construction to which she had responded as a Parishioner. This letter was then addressed to full Council and a draft response read out which would be sent to the Parent via the Clerk on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Chairman then allowed a discussion to take place between the Parish Council and representatives of the Under 5's where various requests of the Under 5's were stated. The requests were duly noted for formal consideration to take place at the next General Purpose Committee meeting.

**General Purposes Committee Report (GPC) incl. Churchyard**

The report was brought forward on the Agenda

All Councillors had received a copy of the draft Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2007. The main item being the resignation of Sue and John Parker. A meeting had taken place with various Councillors to agree on the responsibilities of the Cleaner/Caretaker and Booking Secretary for both the Memorial Hall and the Pavilion prior to advertising the positions. The Chairman of the General Purpose Committee proposed his heartfelt thanks to Sue and John Parker for their incredible work on behalf of the Parish, Parish Councillors and Clerk over many many years, this was seconded by all present. Clerk would write accordingly.

The Clerk reported that the Film Company due to film at Edlesborough Church over the Carnival weekend have made alternative arrangements so as not to affect the Parish

**Finance Reports:**

Financial reports to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2007 were produced, explained and agreed. The Annual Return for 2007 together with Variations from 2005/6 were approved for passing to the Internal Auditors on 18<sup>th</sup> May. In the absence of 2 Councillors 'Special Projects' will be on the Agenda for the next meeting. The Clerk reported that the VAT claim had been received together with the first half of the Precept for 2007/8

**Authorisation of cheques (May 2007)**

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

Administration & Office expenses, including telephone 166.15

Memorial Hall/Pavilion expenses (including Floor construction and insurance premiums) 26,594.16

Salaries (including PAYE/NIC) 1,268.47

Strimming, clearing rubbish and grass cutting to both Cemetery,

Churchyard and War Memorial 450.50

Grass cutting Dagnall Recreation field and The Green 562.50

Repairs/painting Childrens' play areas at Edlesborough and Dagnall 298.06

Allotments expenses 45.00

Street lighting repairs including new column at Dagnall 1,325.61

**Total £30,710.45.**

### **Planning**

The following applications had been received, permitted or refused as at 17.5.07

07/00726/APP 3rd May 2007	Kircutt Chapel Lane Northall	Erection of five dwellings Summary of Revisions	OBJECT as per response to previous applications	
07/00592/APP 2nd March 2007	1 Moor End Close Edlesborough	Conservatory	No Objections	Permitted
07/00719/APP 14th March 2007	Orchard Lea Leighton Road Northall	Erection of two storey rear extension. Canopy over side door and along side elevation	No Objections	Permitted
07/00834?APP 23rd March 2007	1 Church Croft Edlesborough	Erection of Chimney	No Objections	Permitted
06/02120/APP 14th August 2006	The Swan Leighton Road Northall	Erection of five dwellings	The Parish Council OBJECT on the grounds that:1. South End Lane is inadequate by reasons of its width to serve the proposed development with safety and convenience. 2. RA14 requires the scheme not to be the partial development of a larger site. More houses built on that land would greatly worsen the existing road safety in South End Lane and causing even greater problems accessing the A4146. 3. The School buses stop in the mornings and evenings opposite the Swan Public House, any extra traffic spilling onto the A4146 at these busy times will make it even more dangerous for the children to embark/disembark from the buses.	APPEAL ALLOWED & PLANNING PERMISSION IS GRANTED
07/00482/APP 22nd February 2007	11 Dunstable Road Dagnall	Two storey side extension and canopy over front entrance	No Objections	REFUSED

### **Planning Issues**

**Dagnall S106** – No further information

**Beacon View, Northall** - awaiting new Agreement from AVDC

### **Correspondence received**

AVDC – nominations for Non-Residential Development Design Awards 2007

Letters of apology received from Inspector Bob Gregory and Fiona Jones Quality of Service Unit of Thames Valley Police following incident which occurred on 2<sup>nd</sup> May at the Pavilion.

Report of last NAG meeting which had been held on the evening of the Council's Annual Parish Meeting, together with copy of proposed Neighbourhood Action Group Constitution.

Bucks CC confirming that the Parish Council's request for dropped kerbs from Kingsmead to the High Street shops in Edlesborough would be included in the works programme for 2007/8. Clerk to write asking for clarification of wording.

Bucks CC – Winter Maintenance Review. Clerk to request again that Edlesborough High Street will be included

Bucks CC – Minerals & Waste Local Development Framework document

Letter received from Burghope's Charity Lane agreeing to a grant of £500 towards the Cemetery Access Project.

Chiltern Roofing Materials information received

Letter from Open Spaces Society requesting a representative to attend the AGM on 3<sup>rd</sup> July

AVDC – details of play schemes to take place in the Villages of Edlesborough and Dagnall during the Summer. These will be published in Focus and displayed on the Parish notice boards

Invitation to attend recently developed Affordable Housing in Tingewick, Bucks Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 -15.00pm. Cllr Conacher will attend.

Aylesbury Vale Community Safety Partnership – 'Together we Can' invitation to celebrate achievements in reducing crime over the past year and to share plans for the future on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June at Aston Hall, Civic Centre, Aylesbury 5 – 9pm

Bucks CC - Licensing of Christmas lighting

### **Traffic Calming Reports**

*Dagnall:* Response awaited from Bucks CC re 'Build Out'

*Northall:* Response to letter regarding Northall Speed Limit Review to be chased up.

Parish Council to re-assess continuation of footpath to Slapton Road

*Edlesborough:* Response awaited regarding planning permission for dropped kerbs on A4146

*Edlesborough:* White lines on A4146 to be discussed at next meeting

County Councillor Avril Davies is aware of all outstanding issues with Bucks CC and is seeking action.

### **The Villages – issues other than Traffic Calming and matters delegated to the GPC**

*Edlesborough:* St. Mary's Carnival 7<sup>th</sup> July. Road Closure notices received. Arrangements being made for Parish

Council stall display

*Dagnall:* The Fete had been successful despite another year of rain

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### **Affordable Housing**

Jean Fox of Bucks CC to attend July Parish Council meeting to give a presentation

### **Tennis Club Lease**

Tennis Club have approved draft Lease with amendments which are to be discussed at the General Purpose Meeting

### **Parish Plan (EDaN Project)**

Arrangements were in hand for the village Open Days and Cllr Coppen expressed her thanks to all members of the Steering Committee for the efforts being put into this project

### **Luton Airport Issues – Luton Airport Annual Monitoring Report 2006**

In 2006 the Airport handled 9.4 million passengers compared with 9.1 million in 2005, an increase of 3% which was a slower rate of growth than in previous years. The total number of aircraft movements increased by 7.6% in 2006, despite a fall of just over 25% in the number of freight only flights. The proportion of scheduled flights compared with charter flights has continued to increase with 92% of passengers now being handled on scheduled flights. The previous rapid growth of Easyjet and Ryanair appears to have slowed. In 2006 there were 44,485 movements by Easyjet (44,135 in 2005) accounting for approximately 56% of all commercial passenger aircraft movements and 10,208 movements by Ryanair (11,408 in 2005) corresponding to 13% of all commercial passenger aircraft movements. The average split of movements during 2006 was 92% day and 8% night compared with 91% day and 9% night in 2005. During the non closure months when the runway was closed 4 nights each week for 6 months of the year to enable the runway to be resurfaced the split was 91% day and 9% night, the same as in 2005. However during the months when the runway was closed from 00.00 hrs to 05.45 hrs Tuesday through to Saturday mornings the split was 94% day and 6% night. The split of Westerly to Easterly operations in 2006 was 70% to 30% very similar to previous years. During Westerly operations approximately 20% of departing aircraft use a flight path that normally overflies the Parish (Dagnall, Edlesborough and Northall). During Easterly operations, 100% of arriving aircraft overfly Dagnall. There has been a dramatic increase in the total number of complaints from neighbouring villages received by the Airport in 2006 with a total of 1,637 (718 in 2005) with only 2 from the Parish (Edlesborough).

The Parish is concerned about the possibility of the Airport being allowed to have a full length runway capable of taking long haul aircraft as fully laden long haul planes are much noisier and have quite a slow climb rate, taking much long to achieve 3000ft than the smaller 737 type aircraft that currently predominate at Luton. Consequently the noisy long haul aircraft would have to follow the designated flight path for longer and would almost certainly overfly the Parish.

### **Matters to Report to the Police**

Information received from Thames Valley Police on recent incidents in the Parish

The Chairman was concerned that despite the Police requiring a statement for the incident occurring on 2<sup>nd</sup> May this had not yet been taken. Clerk to complain to Thames Valley Police for the continued delay.

### **Items for the Agenda for meeting 21<sup>st</sup> June 2007**

Special Projects

Double White Lines at Dagnall

The Chairman invited questions from Parishioners

A request was made for a seat to be positioned on The Green near to the Basketball Net, this would be further discussed at the GPC meeting.

A Parishioner was concerned regarding the continual parking of cars from the top of the High Street to the School and beyond. The Chairman stated the 'crocodile walking' to the school was taking place and additional routes were being incorporated which would hopefully have an effect on the number of cars parking in this area.

The Meeting closed at 21.15pm

**NEXT MEETING; THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2007 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing 7.30pm**