Edlesborough Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 16th June 2005

held at 7.45pm at the Edlesborough Memorial Hall

Present

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

Apologies There were no apologies

The Chairman welcomed all in attendance including Mrs. Karen Coppen and particularly Mr. Geoff Spencer to whom a card and gift were presented at the close of the meeting in recognition of his services to the Parish.

Co-option of Councillor

The Chairman had great pleasure in co-opting Mrs. Karen Coppen to serve on Edlesborough Parish Councillor representing Dagnall Ward.

Declaration of Interest from Councillors

None stated

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2005 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the previous minutes

None other than those arising under the Agenda headings

Finance issues

Finance packs had been prepared for Councillors covering Income and Expenditure for 2002/3, 2003/4, 2004/5 and Budget for 2005/6, which were explained. The 2004/5 accounts and Annual Return for 2004/5 are currently being examined by the Internal Auditor and when approved the Annual Return will be submitted to the External Auditors for confirmation. It was proposed by Cllr Cubbage and seconded by Cllr Brown that the Annual Return, if approved as drafted, would be signed by the Chairman prior to filing by the External Auditors.

Cllr Cubbage recommended an additional meeting be held to ratify the final Budget for 2005/6 and this would be arranged.

The Balance held in the Business Premium Account has been transferred to the existing Business Tracker Account to maximise on interest.

Annual Subscriptions

Council approved the continued payment of annual subscriptions to CPRE, Bucks. Community

Action, The Chiltern Society, Buckinghamshire Playing Fields Association, Aylesbury Vale South Sports Council, BALC and The Society of Local Clerks.

Authorisation of cheques

The following list of cheques were authorised for payment:

June 2005

Category

Parish Insurance 915.30

Administration/office expense (including telephone) 80.32

Grass Cutting 1,283.10

Memorial Hall Expense 193.57

The Green expenses 721.75

Salaries, PAYE, NIC & Expenses 1,302.56

Street Lighting repairs 1,111.07

Miscellaneous repairs to Playground, Churchyard, Cemetery,

Allotments and The Green 682.57

Part of donation to Northall Village Hall 425.88

Total £6,716.12

Planning

The following applications had been received, permitted or refused as at 16.6.05

05/01 331 /APP 25th March 2005	7 Brook Street, Edlesborough	Rear Conservatory	No Objections	
05/01 44 1/AOP 7th June 2005	Land adjoining Springwood House Ringshall Road Dagnall	Site for detached house and garage with new vehicular access	OBJECT. Application does not meet Aylesbury Vale Local Plan criteria. Dangerous access onto Rinshall Road	
05/00925/APP 8th April 2005	Stonycroft, Studham Lane, Dagnall	Demolition of existing and erection of detached dwelling with annexe and garage	Mo Objection	Permitted
05/00939/ALB 12th April 2005	1 Good Intent. Edlesborough	Alterations to Bathroom	No Objection	-"ermitted
05/00901 /APR 6th April 2005	8 Chiltem Avenue, Edlesborough	Front Porch	No Objection	Permitted
05/00821 /APP	Unit 2 Hall Farm, Slapton Lane, Northall	Erection of Stable Block	Object. The scale of the proposed development would appear to be too large.	Refused

A letter had been received from the Architects acting for Bannamore Ltd. regarding Deans Poultry Farm, South End Lane, Northail. The Parish Council stated that it's original objection would stand.

Clerk's Report and correspondence received.

The Clerk reported on letters/E-mails received as under:

A Questionnaire had been carried out amongst Parishioners attending Dagnall Fete and would be repeated at the Carnival in July after which time a list of Parishioners comments would be discussed by the Parish Council

Enquiries continuing regarding ownership of the streetlight at RAF houses, Dagnall The application for a new Premises Licence for Edlesborough Memorial Hall has been acknowledged.

Letter received from Police regarding incident in Edlesborough

The Parish Council has purchased a display board. The Chairman thanked Cllr Ratheram for enlarging the photographs for display.

Payment had been received as a donation for a new seat on the Green at Edlesborough

Letter received from EOF explaining the recent power cuts in the villages, mainly being due to
overhead lines which are protected by an automatic switch which automatically cuts off the power
if a transient fault is detected. Once the fault has been cleared the power is automatically
reconnected. This operation lasts a few seconds. Without the automatic switch it would be
necessary for an engineer to attend site to restore power which would result in a much longer
power cut. Due to the high number of operations recently extensive line patrols have now been
carried out and EOF have identified and replaced equipment which they consider were causing the
faults.

E-mail received from County Councillor Avril Davies regarding a 'bid' for a Community Bus serving Pitstone, Ivinghoe, Marsworth and Cheddington and to include the Parish of Edlesborough.

Further details would be available *-

General Purposes Committee Report including Churchyard

Cllr Brown reported that the Public Entertainment Licence has been submitted and subsequently acknowledged and thanked the Clerk and Mrs. Parker for its completion and submission.

Discussions have been held with contractors regarding the floor to Edlesborough Memorial Hall.

No immediate commitment has been made but there will be budgetary consequences if there needs to be urgent action after investigation.

Arrangements are being made to ensure the grass cutting around the obstacles on The Green has been carried out for the Carnival day.

The renewal of the Tennis Club Lease is at present with Solicitors.

All other items are routine and he referred the Councillors to the minutes as published by the Clerk.

Churchyard Access Report:

Nothing to report at this meeting

Traffic Calming Reports.

Edlesborough:

The response from Bucks County Council regarding the Parish Council's request for SOmph speed limit repeater signs in High Street and Pebblemoor, Edlesborough was that repeater signs are strictly forbidden where a system of street/carriageway lighting exists with lamps situated no more than 200 years (183 metres) apart. The current DfT opinion is that all fittings which throw light onto the carriageway constitute street/carriageway lighting. The DfT is aware that street lighting needs to be revisited and that changes are likely to be required to the Traffic Signs Regulations and the whole issue of speed limit signing is being considered as part of the Department's recent consultation upon setting local speed limits but it would seem that there is no case for the provision of additional SOmph speed limit repeater signed on Pebblemoor or High Street.

Dagnall:

Northall:

The Parish Council's request for a SOmph speed limit through Northall will be taken fully into account during the investigations under the Speed Limit Review.

The Parish Council await the outcome of the Speed Limit Review later in the year.

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

Dagnall

'Build' Out' all in hand awaiting Bucks. County Council confirmation

The Chairman had been approached regarding the possible dumping of Nuclear Waste. The Parish were disregarded in 1980 in the first instance-due to the area being of outstanding natural beauty. The Parish Council have not received any recent correspondence on this subject.

Edlesborough

A parishioner seeked assistance from the Parish Council to dispose of furniture items.

All arrangements have been made for the Carnival on 2nd July.

Clerk to write to John Bercow MP regarding the Parish Council's displeasure that urgent pavement repair works at Taskers Row have not been carried out.

Northall Northall

Northing to report

Tennis Club Lease

A new lease is being drawn up.

Allotments:

Dagnall:

Clerk to arrange for hedge abutting the allotments/pavement on main road to be cut.

Edlesborough: Nothing to report.

Northall: Nothing to report

Matters to Report to the Police for Monthly Police Report

2 incidents have been reported during June to which the Police have responded.

Items for the next Agenda ^

Allotment Report

The Meeting closed at 10.10 pm

The Next Meeting will be held on Thursday 21st July 2005 commencing at 7.30 at the Edlesborough Memorial Hall