

Edlesborough Parish Council

Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting

Wednesday 5th October 2005 at 7.30 pm at Edlesborough Memorial Hall

Item	Content/Decision	Next Review Date
<u>Present</u>	Mr. Brown (Chairman) Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Cabbage, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Prys-Jones, Mrs. Parker co-opted member) Lin Sargeant (Clerk) plus one Parishioner	
<u>Apologies</u>	Mr. J. Parker	
<u>Declarations of Interest</u>	Mr. Brown declared an interest in the Tennis Club	
<u>Minutes of Previous Meeting Held on 13th July 2005</u>	Following an amendment regarding the date of the meeting being altered to 5 th October 2005 the Minutes were signed as a true copy.	
<u>Matters arising from previous Minutes</u>	None other than arising under the Agenda headings	
<u>Edlesborough Memorial Hall</u>		
Caretaker's Report	The gas pipe and meter cupboard have been painted, drainage grille at front re-fitted. Tap in Small kitchen sink repaired, fan heaters in Main Room have been cleaned out and the annual service of the Floor Polisher carried out. Fault on Boiler rectified. A small leak has occurred In the Gents' Toilet cistern and will be attended to.	
Clerk's Report	Electricity prices were rising. Clerk to investigate costs from other users	
Replacement Floor	Tests to be carried out shortly	December
Exterior Decoration	Specification agreed and quotations to be requested	December
Memorial Hall Toilets decoration	The toilets have been re-decorated	
Insurance	Insurance premium split between Memorial Hall and the Pavilion as all on one Policy	
Hall Bookings	The Hall was not being used as much as normal, it was agreed to advertise in Focus and put 'flyers' outside the School and on the Notice Boards.	
<u>Edlesborough Green (including play equipment, car parks etc.)</u>		
Caretaker's Report	Following vandalism several Car Park posts have become loose. Committee recommended replacement with higher wooden posts adequately cemented in with the tops to slant to enable rainwater to run away. A quantity of Thermalite blocks which had been 'dumped' in the Pavilion Car Park have been removed. Further graffiti has been removed from the play equipment and rubbish bin. Replacement swing chains have been fitted and the play area is to be raked and weeded. The stop-cock in the Cricket pitch had been turned on.	December
Clerk's Report	The barrier at the Memorial Hall Car Park has recently been damaged.	
Re-turfing Hole outside Pavilion Grass Cutting	Quotation awaited. Clerk to ensure this is turfed and not seeded. Clerk had contacted Contractors to cut around obstacles and the perimeter of The Green	December
Seat on The Green	A seat has been erected in memory of Jack Sear and an appropriate plaque will be affixed	December
Fence Gate	It was reported that the gate abutting High Street was permanently in an open position. Clerk to arrange for repairs.	December

Basketball Nets	A quotation has been received for the cost of 2 Basketball Nets, one for Dagnall and one for Edlesborough. The Committee also considered an alternative Ball Game apparatus. Clerk to refer to this in 'Focus' and to place details on the Notice Boards to ascertain parishioners views. Unless there is strong objection or a negative response it is the Parish Council's intention to go ahead with this project subject to further quotations being received.	December
<u>Dagnall Playground</u>	The Parish Council are to carry out repairs to the fence and weed the playground area.	December
<u>Tennis Club Lease</u>	As no response has been forthcoming from the Solicitors Clerk was authorised to E-mail insisting that a reply is received prior to the Parish Council Meeting on 20 th October	December
<u>Junior Tennis Club Funding</u>	A request for funding would be brought before the full Parish Council meeting on 20 th October	December
<u>Edlesborough Green Pavilion</u>		
Caretaker's Report	Tiles had been found smashed in the Home Team changing room and 2 roof tiles and guttering broken. The Fire Extinguisher Safety pin has been removed. Clerk to urgently have rectified. The 'Refs' room is being cleared out.	December
Clerk's Report		
Shower Head Replacement	Clerk contacting Contractor to carry out this work	December
Pavilion Safety checks	Further letter to be sent to Fire Officer requesting an inspection	December
Pavilion Changing Room seats and lockers	Quotation accepted and work to be carried out shortly	December
Pavilion Keys and Agreements	Agreements to be sent to all Sports Clubs for signature and names of proposed keyholders prior to new lock being fitted 1 st November	December
<u>Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall Allotments</u>		
The Green	Requests for a shed and fencing to be dealt with by the Clerk. Clerk to contact Anglian Water regarding lack of supply to the allotments. Allotment Tenants to dig trench and supply materials to enable the provision of a further water tap	December
Cow Lane	Report of trespassers on the allotments. Parish Council to supply and fit 'No Open Access' signs at all allotments.	December
Dagnall		
Northall	Overgrown allotment has been strimmed and a further allotment let.	
General	All Allotment rents will be collected over the weekend 8 th /9 th October	
<u>Edlesborough Cemetery/Churchyard</u>		
Access	The Parish Council have a key to the barrier gate. A meeting has taken place with the Churches Conservation Trust regarding access through the Churchyard to the Cemetery. On receipt of approval or otherwise the Parish Council will consider further possibilities.	
Interments/Memorial applications	3 burials have taken place and applications received for Memorials.	
<u>Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall Street lighting</u>		
Edlesborough	One streetlight to be reported in Jacksons Close, Edlesborough	
Dagnall		
Northall	Streetlight in Northall warranting a return visit	December
General	Clerk to contact Babtie regarding quotations	December
<u>Highways/by-ways/footpaths</u>	The Parish Council would send a letter of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Webster who are 'retiring' from having walked the Footpaths for many years The 'Litter Pickers' will be 'retiring' at the end of the year. The amount of litter deposited on The Green is becoming a mammoth problem	December

	The overgrown rights of way and footpaths in Northall have been cleared, the cost of which will be reimbursed by the PPP	
	The overgrown hedge abutting High Street/Brook Street has been cut back	
Dog Bins	A Dog Hygiene Bin has been ordered for Slicketts Lane, Edlesborough	December
	Clerk to write thanking Bucks CC for the speedy and efficient way the trees and shrubs have been cut back in Dunstable Road, Dagnall	
	The meeting closed at 10.25pm	
	Next Meeting will be on THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER 2005 at Edlesborough Memorial Hall commencing 7.30pm	
	<u>The Following Meeting will be on WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2006</u>	