

EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Edlesborough Parish Council News (Including Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall) <u>March 2020</u>

Parking on Grass Verges in the Parish

Some time ago, Buckinghamshire County Council devolved some contracted services to EPC including the maintenance of the grass verges at the road margins. Following damages to some verges EPC has been made aware of the responsibilities regarding the grass verges.

At the December 2019 and January 2020 Council meetings the Council discussed the damage being caused to the grass verges by drivers parking their vehicles on them. Accordingly the Council wishes to inform Parishioners that the Byelaw made by Bucks CC in 1956 *"makes it an offence to drive, place a vehicle or cause a vehicle to be*

driven or placed upon any road margin, to which the bylaw applied in such a manner as to injure or be likely to injure any turf or any tree, shrub or plant growing thereon.....The byelaw applies to any road margin, which was in or beside a public road and was laid or sown with grass or planted with trees

any road margin, which was in or beside a public road and was laid or sown with grass or planted with trees and shrubs and maintained constantly in good order for ornamental purposes and has a sign on it indicating that the byelaw applies."

More information can be found at <u>https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/parking/parking-on-verges-and-footpaths/</u>

EPC are now trialling "Please do not park on grass" signs are locations in the village where the most damage is being caused. EPC is also reminding all residents that parking on the grass verges in the villages is not permitted. Parking on pavements should be avoided to ensure freedom of access by pedestrians, especially for pushchairs and those with mobility issues.

The Anne Thompson Young Peoples Cup for Excellence

The Anne Thompson Young Peoples Cup for Excellence is an award that is presented by EPC to a young person in the Parish who has come to the attention of the Council. The cup may be awarded for excellent achievement, raising awareness, contributing to the local community or for another reason that makes the young person stand out to the Council.

Nominations for the 2020 recipient should be submitted to the Parish Clerk by 30th April 2020.

Please ensure you include the nominee's full name, age, address and a detailed explanation as to why this young person should be considered for the award.



Council Elections

Elections to Edlesborough Parish Council are due to take place on the 7th May. If you are interested in becoming a parish councillor, please contact the clerk for further information.

Pebblemoor Car Park

Over the past year vehicles have managed to gain unauthorised access to Edlesborough Green via the Pebblemoor Car Park.

With this in mind and the costs of replacing the wooden posts EPC has agreed to remove the wooden posts and replace them with a grass "bund" similar to the one on Mill End Close in Eaton Bray. At the time of writing this report it is anticipated that the improvements will have been made to the Pebblemoor Car Park during February half term (weather permitting).



To begin with the bund will resemble the first picture below. Once the grass seed has become established the Council is sure you will agree that this will be a secure and more attractive way of preventing unauthorised access to the Green from this car park.



County Cllr Anne Wight

Cllr Wight attended the January EPC meeting and reported on the following matters, her full report can be found on the EPC Website:

- The Brownlow Bridge repairs
- Winter Health Awareness
- Speed Awareness
- Community Boards

District Cllr Chris Poll

Cllr Poll attended the January EPC meeting and gave the following report; "Our VALP process is moving forward. We are scheduled to have our final scrutiny meeting on the 9th March followed by cabinet consideration on the 10th and adopt the whole plan at a special council meeting on 25th March. I will be attending a Buckinghamshire Council Shadow Authority meeting on Monday next week where the draft budget will be discussed. This is just before the budget goes to the full membership for approval. I will let you know if there is anything to report back.

We have only a few meetings left before the transition from 5 councils to 1 and the next few weeks will be a very busy time for us all."

<u>Speedwatch</u>

The EDaN Traffic Management team are looking for new members and volunteers to help with their new Sentinel device. If you have an interest in traffic management in the villages or are concerned about Road Safety, please contact Cllr Alan Williams at <u>Alan.williams@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk</u> or 07828 398371

<u>Salt Bins</u>

The responsibility for filling these bins is with Transport for Bucks. When supplies are running low a refill request should be submitted via the website <u>http://www.transportforbucks.net/report-it-general.aspx</u> It is more appropriate if a





parishioner living close to the salt bin makes the request but in practise anyone can make the request.

EdleFest 2019

The EdleFest dates for 2019 have been confirmed as 12th and 13th June. More information and tickets are available via the EdleFest website <u>https://edlefest.site123.me/</u>

<u>Allotments</u>

Are you a keen gardener in the family? We currently have plots available at all our sites. Anyone wishing to take on an allotment should contact the Clerk. Fees are ± 2 per pole and plots range in size from 5 - 10 poles.

<u>Streetlights</u>

Please report failed streetlights in Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall to the Clerk for repair. When making a report please ensure you provide the Clerk with the information displayed on the lamp post.

EPC Meetings

The next Edlesborough Parish Council Meetings will take place as follows:

- Edlesborough Memorial Hall, Thursday 19th March 2019
- Edlesborough Memorial Hall, Thursday 16th April 2019

The meetings will commence at 7:30pm.

All Parishioners are welcome to attend all Ordinary Parish Council meetings and may ask questions, raise issues and give suggestions during the Open Forum before the formal start of the meeting. The full minutes of the Parish Council meetings are available to view on the website or from the Parish Clerk.

Clerk: Miss Penny Pataky Office Hours: Monday – Friday 11am – 3pm (excluding Wednesdays) Email: <u>clerk@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk</u> 01525 229358 Website: www.edlesborough-pc.gov.uk Facebook: www.facebook.com/EDANParishCouncil