



EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Edlesborough Parish Council News (Including Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall) June 2021

Edlesborough Parish Council – Uncontested Election

The Council is pleased to announce that, following an uncontested election, a full cohort of Councillors continue to represent the Parish:

Ward of Edlesborough

Cllr Rosie Booth
Cllr Chris Nevard
Cllr Christine Thomas
Cllr John Wilkinson
Cllr Alan Williams

Ward of Dagnall

Cllr Trish Owen
Cllr Lynne Wells

Ward of Northall

Cllr Kevin Cabbage
Cllr Richard Harpley

Buckinghamshire Council elections

Following the elections on May 6th The following councillors were elected to serve the Ivinghoe Ward that includes our parish. Cllr Peter Brazier, Conservative Party; Cllr Chris Poll, Conservative Party and Cllr Derek Town, Conservative Party. Edlesborough Parish Council looks forward to working with the newly elected councillors.

Parking Issues

During the past month the Parish Council has been contacted several times about inconsiderate and dangerous parking in the Parish, in particular in the village of Edlesborough.

Council reminds all parishioners to consider how their parking affects others.

When leaving your vehicle:

- ***Does it restrict access of the pavement so as to force a pedestrian, pushchair or wheelchair user on to the road?***
- ***Does it restrict the view of other drivers exiting a junction or their driveway?***

Council reminds all drivers that they should avoid parking on the white lines near the shops and school.

Edlesborough Parish Council does not have any enforcement powers over parking in the Parish only the police (Thames Valley Police for Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall) have powers (outside of London and Wales) to enforce against pavement parking and they can do this where there is an obstruction (including to a buggy/wheelchair user) or a safety issue, such as parking within 10m of a junction.

The recent issues at the top of the High Street in Edlesborough have been drawn to the attention of both Buckinghamshire Council and Thames Valley Police.

Thames Valley Police have advised the Council that if a vehicle is parked with 10m of the junction of the High Street and the B440, regardless of who it is visitor, workman, or resident then Thames Valley Police will start issuing tickets.

Parishioners wishing to report dangerous or obstructive parking should do so to Thames Valley Police.



Grass & Hedge Cutting in the Villages

Grass Verges

Now that the growing season is in full swing my Council requests that drivers do not park cars on the grass verges in the villages. Parking on the verges causes damage to them and makes it difficult for the Council's contractor to cut the verge.

Hedge Cutting

The Council contractor is scheduled to cut the Pastures hedge in the **last week of June/first week of July**.

The hedge will be cut to the recommended height of 8ft.

The Council is aware of concerns about nesting birds and endeavours to do all it can to protect them. However the Council are also duty bound to ensure that the hedge does not overhang the footpath so as to:

1. Endanger or obstruct the passage of pedestrians
2. Potentially causes danger to the footpath.



EPC asks all parishioners whose hedges border the pavements to ensure that their hedges are kept well-trimmed ensuring that the maximum pavement width is available for pedestrians, pushchair and wheelchair users.

Edlesborough Pavilion

At the time of writing this report the construction of the Pavilion car park is taking place. Work to complete the building continues to progress. The project is now in its final stages and the Council is working closely with ECSC to help ensure the building is ready to open to the parishioners and sports clubs shortly after the green hoarding is removed (opening will need to be in line with any Covid-19 restrictions that may be in place).

New Play Area on the Bellway Development

As part of the planning application for the Bellway Development in Edlesborough, the developers were required to provide a children's play area. Council and residents are pleased to see that the new play area is under construction. Once completed this play area will be open to all parishioners. The play area will be maintained by the management company responsible for the development not the Parish Council.

The Annual Parish Meeting

The minutes of the short Annual Parish Meeting held on 15th April 2021 can be viewed on the Council website. A new meeting format for parish organisations and parishioners to attend is under development. It is hoped that this can take place in July, subject to Covid-19 guidelines. Further information will be published in Focus and on our website when finalised.

Allotments

All Allotments in the Parish are let and the Council now holds a waiting list for anyone wanting an allotment plot.

Fly-tipping, Potholes, Pavement & Road Issues

Should you notice or witness **fly-tipping** in Edlesborough, Dagnall or Northall please report this to Buckinghamshire Council using the following link www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/

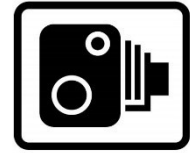
Issues with **roads & pavements** should be reported to Bucks CC using the following link www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/

IMPORTANT: If you consider the issue to be dangerous or an emergency, please call Transport for Bucks on: 01296 382416 (09:00 – 17:30 Mon-Thurs, 09:00 – 17:00 Friday) or 01296 486630 (out of hours and weekends).

Posting about it on Facebook can be useful to Parishioners but this does not, however, lead to roads/pavements being repaired or fly-tipped items being removed.

Speedwatch & EDaN Traffic Management

Thames Valley Police have relaunched and restarted their Community Speedwatch – more information can be found at [Restart and relaunch for Community Speedwatch in 2021 · Thames Valley Police & Crime Commissioner \(thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk\)](#) Any parishioner interested in becoming involved with the EDaN Community Speedwatch for Edlesborough Parish should contact Cllr Alan Williams via email at alan.williams@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk or on 07828 398371



Streetlights

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.

Council Meetings

In line with current Government legislation all council meetings of councillors must be held face to face, with the facility for public attendance where possible, and cannot lawfully be held remotely. Due to space restrictions allowing parishioners to physically attend Council meetings is proving challenging. Council is currently exploring live streaming Council meetings and allowing parishioners to join via the social media platform Zoom.

Any parishioner wishing to attend the Ordinary Council meetings should visit EPC's website for the latest information.

The next Edlesborough Parish Council Meetings will take place on:

- Thursday 17th June 2021.
- Thursday 15th July 2021

The meetings will commence at 7:30pm.

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. Alternatively, parishioners are encouraged to submit their questions, issues and suggestions in writing to the clerk. The full minutes of the Parish Council meetings are available to view on the website or from the Parish Clerk. All the hyperlinks in the information above can be accessed through the Edlesborough Parish website.

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