



EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Edlesborough Parish Council News

(Including Edlesborough, Dagnall & Northall)

February 2022

Thank You's

Once again volunteers in the Parish were busy making the villages festive for Christmas. EPC would like to thank the following people and businesses:

- ❖ Christmas Trees R Us (Cow Lane) for donating two wonderful trees.
- ❖ Cllr Chris Nevard, Sharon & Bob Stilliard for hanging the lights on Edlesborough Memorial Hall and Mick Yates for ensuring the power supply was set up and working.
- ❖ Bas Westrope, Kai Brown & Penny Pataky for hanging the wreaths along the High Street.
- ❖ NMJ Service Centre, Marbled Meats, Freed Veneers, N & G Autos, Curryhills, Anthony Knight Recruitment, Westrope Butchery and residents of Summerleys for sponsoring the wreaths.
- ❖ Christine & Mick Yates, Sharon & Bob Stilliard, for decorating the Christmas trees.
- ❖ Edlesborough Methodist Chapel for providing the power for the Cow Lane tree lights.
- ❖ Kevin & Lorna Cabbage for hanging the Christmas lights in Northall Village Hall and on the Northall Christmas Tree and village sign.
- ❖ Jane & Chris Woodcock for providing the power for the Northall Christmas tree and village sign lights.
- ❖ With thanks to the Cllr Trish Owen, Izzy Lee, Stevie Copeland, Sophie Way & Ruth Ablett for decorating the tree and DVH.

EdleFest 2022

The EdleFest dates for 2022 have been confirmed as 10th and 11th June. More information and tickets are available via the EdleFest website <https://edlefest.site123.me/>

Buckinghamshire Councillors

Each month at least one of the following Buckinghamshire Councillors Chris Poll, Peter Brazier and Derek Town attend the Edlesborough Parish Council meetings. They provide a detailed Buckinghamshire Council report to the EPC, a copy of which can be found on EPC's website along with the Council meeting minutes. Additionally they support, help and advise EPC Councillors with various Parish matters.

Pebblemoor Car Park

Criminal Activity (Including Low Level Drug Dealing)

There has recently been an increase in the low level criminal activity in the Pebblemoor car park. This includes reports of young drivers' wheel spinning, suspected drug dealing and significant evidence of the car park being used for nitrous oxide inhalation.

Edlesborough Parish Council strongly encourages parishioners to report any criminal activity directly to Thames Valley Police via 101 or their website. If you witness criminal activity taking place this can be reported by dialling 999.

EPC thanks all the parishioners who regularly pick up the litter at this location.



Edlesborough Green

The rocker elephant has been removed from the play area for assessment and hopefully repair.

Edlesborough Green continues to be widely used by parishioners for dog walks, exercise, and carefully coordinated sports activities.

EPC reminds all parishioners to:

- Keep **dogs under control. If your dog does not have excellent recall it must be kept on lead** to ensure that it does not spoil the enjoyment of Edlesborough Green for other users.
- Use the litter bins provided or preferably take all rubbish and recycling home.
- Clean up after your dog!



EPC Precept Increase for 2022/23

At the January Council meeting Councillors agreed the draft budget for 2022/23

Over the past few years the Council has allocated money to the Special Projects fund for various projects; predominantly the New Pavilion on Edlesborough Green. Now that this is complete the special Project Funds have been earmarked for other projects in the Parish. With this in mind the Council agreed to submit a precept request of £154,740 to Buckinghamshire Council. This means the Parish Council's element of Band D rate will increase from £9.00 per month to £9.45.

Salt Bins

The responsibility for filling these bins is with Transport for Buckinghamshire. When supplies are running low a refill request should be submitted via their website <https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/> It is more appropriate if a parishioner living close to the salt bin makes the request but in practice anyone can make the request.



EDaN Community Car Share Scheme

This is a group of local volunteers who support parishioners with journeys to hospital etc. The group which has been inactive due to Covid 19 has now resumed.

The group is in need of more volunteer drivers. Any parishioner interested in using the service or volunteering should contact the co-ordinator Peter Williams via email at peterw500@aol.com or on 01442 842506.

EDaN Beautification Team

The EDaN Beautification Team have now planted three Prunus 'Accolade' trees on Edlesborough Green as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration 'Green Canopy' initiative.

More information about the "The Queen's Green Canopy: Plant a Tree for the Jubilee" can be found at:

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk

The EDaN Beautification Team continue to work hard tending to the various planters in the villages of Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall which are all looking lovely.

Do you enjoy gardening and have some time to spare?

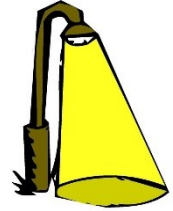
The EDaN Beautification Team is running low on volunteers for the tidying and watering of these planters. Anyone interested in getting involved or helping out with the watering should contact Mrs Christine Yates on 01525 220739 or chris@brooklyns.org.uk



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.

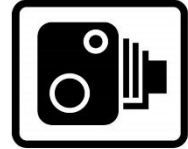


Speedwatch & EDaN Traffic Management

Traffic Calming

Buckinghamshire Council (BC) have for a long time refused to consider implementing 20mph speed limits. Buckinghamshire Cllr Peter Cooper has recently campaigned and with support from many Parish Councils successfully managed to change Buckinghamshire Council's policy on the introduction of 20mph zones.

At BC's meeting on 24th November 21 the council agreed that Town and Parish Councils' sponsored 20mph schemes could now gain support from Buckinghamshire Council. This gives councils the opportunity to improve the social environment of residential areas with lower speeds, safer pedestrian areas, lower pollution levels and enhanced possibilities for walking, cycling and enjoying your streets.



There will be criteria that must be followed for a scheme to be considered. These are likely to include:

- The scheme location should be in a residential area where the existing traffic constraints such as road width and layout, existing bollards, islands, parking or traffic volumes already restrict existing average traffic speeds to 24mph or less. It is hoped that in these circumstances sign only 20mph limits or zones can be installed at reasonable cost. Non-compliant schemes may need to include physical traffic calming, speed humps, pinch points etc. to help achieve the 24mph target.
- The scheme should be financed locally. Parish and Town Councils will be able to raise finance using a combination of their own reserves, S106 agreements from local development or by making an application for Community Board transport funds.
- It is clear that Thames Valley Police are currently unwilling to enforce speed limits, particularly 20mph speed limits.

Footage of the meeting can be viewed at https://buckinghamshire.public-tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/6179899 (the discussion commences at approximately 3hrs 14minutes into the meeting)

EPC is now waiting for confirmation of the application process so that it can consider if and where to apply for 20mph zones.

Prior to the meeting Cllr Harpley proposed that EPC applies for a 20pmh zone on South End Lane, Northall near the children's play area and village hall once the application process has been confirmed and opened to Parish Councils.

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

Council Meetings

The next Edlesborough Parish Council Meetings will take place on:

- Thursday 16th February 2022 – in Edlesborough Memorial Hall
- Thursday 17th March 2022 – in Edlesborough Memorial Hall

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. Council requests that

where possible questions, issues and suggestions are submitted in writing to the Clerk by the Tuesday preceding the meeting.

The Agenda and full minutes of previous 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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