



# EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

## SAVE THE DATE - HAVE YOUR SAY!



In the days before social media came along the government decreed that there must be a forum where the Parish Council publicly and formally reviews its achievements and plans each year with its electors. It is known as the ***Annual Parish Meeting***.

The meeting offers any electors in Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall the opportunity to raise any issues. Unlike a normal Parish Council meeting, in this special meeting anyone is allowed to speak on any topic related to the parish.

Edlesborough Parish Council plans to take this a stage further. We would like to invite organisations based in the parish to join us and share their plans for the future and identify ways the Parish Council and/or electors might help to support them. They will have the opportunity to address all the participants in the meeting. It also provides the opportunity to meet with councillors informally.

Coupled with this EPC has launched a Small Grants Scheme to invite individuals and local groups/organisations to apply for funding. We will invite them to share their plans/progress of any Parish Council funded project. Similarly, we will invite representatives of existing organisations that have already received council funding to share their plans. We would also like to make you aware of new opportunities to participate in initiatives and funding from Buckinghamshire Council.

The law requires that a meeting be held each year and that both the chair and clerk of the council organise the meeting between March and 1<sup>st</sup> June. The chair of the council is required to chair the meeting. Sadly the government rules say that we are not allowed to hold the meeting on licensed premises so we are unable to hold it in our new pavilion. However, we are not prevented from serving 'refreshments' in Edlesborough Memorial Hall. We will send out formal invitations to existing organisations. **We want you especially, the electors, to come along.** In order to ensure we provide sufficient "refreshments" for all attendees we request that you inform Penny Pataky our Parish Clerk of your intention to via [clerk@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk) or 01525 229358

**The meeting will take place in Edlesborough Memorial Hall on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 and is planned to end no later than 9pm.**

Details of the small grants scheme are available on our website [www.edlesborough-pc.gov.uk/community-information/epc-small-grant-scheme/](http://www.edlesborough-pc.gov.uk/community-information/epc-small-grant-scheme/)

We look forward to joining with you in this new forum on parish life.

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