

EDLESBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Including Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall - June 2025

Edlesborough Parish Council Councillors

Following the May 1st elections the following Councillors were elected for the Ward of Edlesborough.



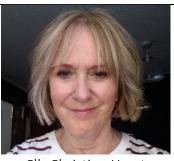




Cllr Dorothy Ferguson



Cllr Julie Goodman



Cllr Christine Hurst



Cllr John Wilkinson

The Wards of Dagnall and Northall were uncontested and are represented by the Councillors below.



Cllr Trish Owen Dagnall



Cllr Lynne Wells Dagnall



Cllr Richard Harpley Northall



Cllr Kevin Cubbage Northall

Mr Alan Williams

Mr Alan Williams has stepped down from the Parish Council after 18 years of service. He was co-opted onto Edlesborough Parish Council on 17th May 2007. In his time as a highly active Councillor, he has been instrumental in the following projects.

- Parish Plan.
- Edlesborough Neighbourhood Plan.
- Installing floodlights at the Church on the hill.
- Upgrading the streetlights in the Parish to LED lights being beneficial to the environment, more economical for the Parish Council and provided better street lighting for all the parishioners.



- Researching and installing acoustic panels on the ceiling of Edlesborough Memorial Hall vastly improving the acoustics in the building for all users.
- Collaborating with the Community Board to secure the purchase and deployment of three MVAS devices across the Parish. He has kindly consented to continue in the role of Speedwatch coordinator for the Parish.
- Building the new Edlesborough Pavilion.

Alan is also an active member of the Friends of the Church on the Hill group, being one of the key organisers for EdleFest and regularly gardening in the Churchyard.

Alan will be greatly missed by the Council and Council extends its enormous thanks to him for all he has done for the Parish in his 18 years both as a Councillor and volunteer.

Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition

Both Edlesborough and Dagnall have entered the Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition this year. Judging will take place between $1^{\rm st}$ June and $14^{\rm th}$ July. Thank you to all the parishioners who help to keep our villages clean and tidy.

Village Planters

The EDaN Beautification Team NEEDS more volunteers to help with the upkeep of the various planters in the Parish. Can you spare some time? If so please contact Lorna Cubbage, Lornamcubbage@hotmail.com to find out more.

Grass & Hedge Cutting in the Villages

The Council contractor is scheduled to cut the Pastures hedge in the last week of June/first week of July, the timing of this is such that most nesting birds will have fledged. This is the hedge that borders The Pastures estate, on the roads The Green, Brownlow Avenue and Pebblemoor. We have entered the Best
Kept Village Competition

Please help to keep our
village tidy
Judging takes place in
June & July

The Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition
www.bucksbkv.co.uk

The Council is aware of concerns about nesting birds and endeavours to do all it can to protect them. However, the Council is 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.

Parishioners Hedges & Plants

- EPC reminds all parishioners that it is the home/landowner's responsibility to keep their borders maintained and trimmed back to the point that it does not encroach over the footpath/pavement/highway or obstruct or risk injury to passersby.
- Home/landowner's must also ensure their hedges do not obstruct any road signs.
- Should parishioners have concerns about hedges or plants obstructing a pavement or junction within the 30mph areas of the villages, the process is as follows:
 - You can approach the homeowner. People often leave and return to their homes by car and may not be aware that the growth from their property is obstructing the pavement/highway.
 - If this is not feasible the issue can be reported to Edlesborough Parish Council, who under Buckinghamshire Devolved Services can write to the homeowner and request that the hedges, etc. are cut back.
 - The resident then has 14 days to respond. If no response is received a second letter is then sent and the owner has a further 14 days to respond. If after a further 14 days, there has been no response or action the matter is referred to the Buckinghamshire Council Highways Devolution Officer.

Please note issues with roads, junctions, lights, hedges, etc outside the 30mph areas of the villages should be reported to Buckinghamshire Council via https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/

Additionally, EPC reminds parishioners NOT to park on the grass verges as this causes damage to them and prevents the contractors from cutting the verges.

Friends of the Church on the Hill, Edlesborough

Mrs Christine Yates has retired from the group; she was a founder member and has contributed an enormous amount over many years including:

- Leading the project to floodlight the Church on the Hill.
- Introducing Christmas Trees and Christmas lights in the village, in particular lighting Edlesborough Memorial Hall.
- Fundraising activities such as car boot sales and fire walking.
- Organising and serving refreshments at EdleFest and other events at the Church.





Christine has also been the Chairperson of the EDaN Beautification group since it began.

Edlesborough Parish Council wish to thank her for all her contributions to the Parish.

EPC Surgery

If you have a question or suggestion for the Parish Council the Clerk will be available on the first Thursday of each month in Edlesborough Pavilion from midday – 2pm.

Council Stall at St Mary's Village Carnival

Council invites all to come and meet the Councillors at the St Mary's Village Carnival on Saturday 5th July. Our stall will enable you to find out more about the Council and our upcoming projects. You can ask questions, make suggestions, and even try to win a prize at our "Hook a Duck" game!



Vehicle Crime Survey

Following a request from Eaton Bray Parish Council, EPC has also set up a Vehicle Crime Survey on its website.

The purpose of the survey is to find out about vehicle crime in Edlesborough, Dagnall and Northall over the past 12 months.

EPC will then collaborate with EBPC to compare and share results.

Any parishioner wishing to respond to the survey can do so via <u>Vehicle Crime Survey - Surveys - News & Campaigns - Edlesborough Parish Council</u>

Traffic Calming in the Parish

The latest data collected by the Moveable Vehicle Activated Speed (MVAS) devices is available on the Traffic Calming page of the council's website www.edlesborough-pc.gov.uk/community-information/traffic-calming-in-the-parish/

Any parishioner wishing to volunteer for Traffic Calming or Speedwatch activities should contact Mr Alan Williams via speedwatch@edlesborough-pc.gov.uk

Council Meetings

The next Edlesborough Parish Council Meetings will take place on:

- Thursday 19th June 2025 in Edlesborough Pavilion.
- Thursday 17th July in the back room of Dagnall Village 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.

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