



EDGMOND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of Edgmond Parish Council which took place at **Edgmond Village Hall** on **Monday 12th March 2018 at 7.00p.m.**

PRESENT: Councillors: R Higginson (Chairman)
K Arbuthnot
S Bentley
P Doherty
R Hayhurst
M Hughes
P Hughes
K Humphreys
G Jones
D Ryan
A Wilson

In attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk

18/1358 WELCOME AND PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman, Councillor Higginson, welcomed everyone to the Full Council meeting and thanked them for attending.

18/1359 APOLOGIES

Cllr M Barton	recovering from an operation	Accepted
Cllr C Edwards	unwell	Accepted

It was proposed by Councillor R Hayhurst and seconded by Councillor P Hughes, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that these apologies be accepted.

PC Lee Thomas

18/1360 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor P Doherty	Member of The Ramblers & Local Access Forum
Councillor R Hayhurst	Harper Adams University
Councillor A Wilson	18/1366b – resident of School Road

18/1361 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN JANUARY 2018

It was proposed by Councillor D Ryan and seconded by Councillor K Humphries that the Minutes of the January meeting be signed by the Chairman as a true record. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted and signed as a true record.

18/1362 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, for information only

None

18/1363 WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY

a) Parish Warden and Police Report

A copy of the report for the magazine had been circulated to Members. PC Lee Thomas had apologized for not being able to attend this meeting.

b) Newport Regeneration Partnership

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 20th March 2018 at 7pm.

c) Harper Adams University

Councillor Hayhurst declared an interest

The next meeting will take place on 20th April 2018, any items for the Agenda can be sent to the Clerk.

HAU have items to be included on the Agenda, Members were asked to inform the Clerk if they are able to attend one week before the meeting.

d) TW Bus User Group

Martin Reid continues to represent Edgmond. The minutes of the meeting held on 6th February, had been circulated, for information. Cllr Hayhurst reported that further information regarding a possible additional service, available to students, should be available towards the end of April.

e) Helicopter Liaison Group

Cllr G Jones will attend the next meeting on 20th March 2018 at RAF Shawbury.

Cllr Ryan requested details of light aircraft flying which is unlikely to be available from the Helicopter Liaison Group but may be available from another organization, the Clerk will investigate.

18/1364

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

a) Report

TWC/2017/0876

The Chairman reported on the success at Planning Committee that speakers were able to offer information to the Members and that the officer's recommendation was overturned and the application for extensions to Rashleigh was refused. It was good to hear mention of the Neighbourhood Plan in the reasons for their decision.

TWC/2018/0028

The Clerk reported that the officer was to refuse the application for an additional building on this plot as it was outside of the Planning Policies.

b) New Applications for consideration

TWC/2018/0043 48 Shrewsbury Road – additional property on the site

10 Councillors were in favour, Councillor D Ryan abstained, and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Parish Council should object to the application as it is contrary to planning policies.

TWC/2018/0076 3 Manor Road – retrospective change of use and erection of fence

RESOLVED that whilst the Parish Council had no objections to the change of use from agricultural land to garden land and the erection of the fence, it is the policy of the Parish Council to object to retrospective applications. Members were pleased to see the statement confirming this is a locally listed property and the planning officer has been advised that the retention of the historic boundary to the s/w is important.

TWC/2018/0086 1 High Street – extensions

RESOLVED that the Parish Council would have no objections but would ask that any comments from neighbours be taken into consideration and that the design must be in-keeping with the area.

TWC/2018/0130 15 Newport Road – 2 storey side extension

RESOLVED that the Parish Council would respond to include that whilst this application is more in keeping, it is still very large in comparison to the substantive property.

TWC/2018/0165 North of the Treatment Works, Polly's Lock, Newport

RESOLVED that the Parish Council would have no comments on this application.

TWC/2018/0174 Adeney House Farm – erection of grain store, concrete pad with access road

RESOLVED that concerns regarding the size of the building and the quantities of grain it will store which will result in excessive vehicle movements, both in and out of the site, will be added to the response. The access to the site will be down narrow country lanes, with no passing places and the amount and size of vehicles will have an effect on the local residents, especially with regards to noise and dust. It was noted that no traffic survey had been submitted with the application and concerns were expressed regarding damage to the road infrastructure and verges.

**TWC/2018/0198 Land opposite The Priory – dwelling with associated access
10 Councillors were in favour, Councillor Doherty abstained, and thus it was**

RESOLVED that Edgmond Parish Council would continue to object to the development and would support the tree officer's report for conditions to be added. Members welcomed the visibility splays but still had concerns regarding traffic and road closures during construction and in particular the fact that the service bus may not have access.

c) Edgmond Neighbourhood Plan

TWC has announced the Referendum which will take place in the Village Hall on 19th April 2018. A copy of the Development Plan Decision Statement is available.

Members agreed the format of the flyer, which will be delivered to every house before the event in order to encourage a good turnout. This document is a result of the views of the community, it is important that this is confirmed by a majority at the referendum.

d) Other Planning Matters

i) Planning Committee

Members agreed that the Planning Committee should be reintroduced at the AGM. Terms of Reference will be produced and Members will be elected to the Committee along with our other Committees in May.

18/1365

ENVIRONMENT & RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

a) Report

Councillor Doherty presented the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th February for information.

b) Rights of Way

Councillor Doherty declared an interest

The notes of the WETP3 meeting had been circulated and the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 21st March at 9.30am at Waters Upton Parish Centre.

Finger posts are needed at Sidlington Lane, Marsh Road and Connor's Lane, when they are available.

Following our report to the Parish Charter Monitoring Group, a rights of way seminar had taken place on 8th March which was well attended. There is a commitment from senior officers and members at TWC to enforce rights of way issues, which was welcomed. The notes of the event will be circulated, for information.

c) Tree Project

Councillor Edwards had confirmed that the remaining maple trees, to be planted around the Shrewsbury Road field, would be in place in the coming weeks – weather permitting.

d) Grounds & Cleansing Contract - questionnaire

The Parish Council has been considering the work included in the current contract and giving thought to changes that would benefit our Parish. On completion of this questionnaire, TWC will be able to negotiate with the new contractor and it is hoped that a more suitable bespoke contract will be in place for our Parish. This will appear on the next Environment Committee agenda and needs to be returned to TWC before the end of April.

e) Street Champions

Edgmond has some street champions but more would be welcomed. It is good to have local people out and about, if only as eyes and ears of our Parish. They are able to deal with litter and to report issues they identify this includes dog fouling, which remains a problem in places within the Parish.

f) Certificates of Appreciation

A design had been agreed and Members are asked to forward names and addresses to the Clerk for certificates to be produced. These will be available at the APM and if no-one available to collect them, the Chairman will visit and personally thank the volunteers on behalf of the Parish Council and residents.

g) Other Matters

- i) Trees in Green Lane Walk - these had been reported by Tibberton & Cherrington Parish Council and it had been confirmed that whilst with the landowner's permission there are no issues with the trees.
- ii) Newport to Edgmond via the Canal - the work to replace the planks is on order with the contractor and should be completed in the near future.
- iii) Birchmoor Lane - the owner had still not been identified, however work has been undertaken to fill in the lane surface which is considered an improvement.

18/1366

HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

a) Report

No Committee meeting had taken place.

b) School Road Incident

Councillor A Wilson declared an interest

Details of a road traffic incident which took place on 6th March in School Road, were shared at the meeting. Councillor Hayhurst had spoken to the driver but full details of the accident are not available and messages regarding acceptable driving in the village had been re-iterated to all students. Members are reminded that the police have asked for registration numbers to be collected of any vehicles witnessed driving fast or inappropriately through the village and to be sent to the police.

Councillor Wilson has the experience and qualifications and has offered to visit HAU and to offer free advice sessions regarding driving and speeding.

c) Street lighting

A faulty light outside Provost House has been reported.

d) Caynton Cottage

This location has been the site of a number of incidents and accidents and Members resolved to ask TWC to consider the installation of a chevron or crash barrier to prevent further damage and possible injury.

e) Maintenance

- If anyone is aware of serious potholes, please report them direct to TWC via the APP or to the Parish Clerk.
- Lining and signing on the B5062 will take place in the next two weeks.

18/1367

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

a) Report

None

b) SALC AGM

Members were pleased to hear that the website had been complimented on at the recent AGM and that it meets the needs of the Transparency Code and Accreditation Award.

Members had previously resolved to apply for the Foundation Award and this would now be submitted to the National Association of Local Councils.

18/1368

FINANCE

a) Payments & Financial Report

It was proposed by Cllr P Hughes and seconded by Cllr C Edwards, all were in favour and the following payments were confirmed.

Cheque No	Expenditure	Power	Amount
000886	Street Light repairs	LGA1972 sc 14 p34	£197.83
000887	Street Light energy	LGA 1972 sc 14 p 34	£2078.53
000888	Neighbourhood Plan	LGA 1972	£825
000889	SLCC 25% subs	LGA 1972 s112	£64.50
000890	Clerks Salary Jan - March	LGA 1972 s112	£700
000891	PAYE	LGA 1972 s112	£175

18/1369

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) All correspondence received for information has been circulated to all Members.
- b) There has been a water leak on an internal pipe in the Pavilion and this has been reported to TWC.

- c) TWC are keen to hear from local councils with details of subjects to be considered for Scrutiny Reviews. Members are asked to inform the Clerk of any ideas they wish to submit.

18/1370 CHAIRMAN’S AND CLERK’S REPORT

- a) **Wrekin Area Committee of SALC**
The Chairman had represented the Parish Council, the Minutes have been circulated, the main topic of discussion included the proposed merger of the Fire and Police Authority, which was strongly opposed.
- b) **Clerk’s Report**
As requested, the Clerk had circulated a report which included details of outstanding matters that are currently under discussion. A copy is available on request.

18/1371 MATTERS FROM TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

Councillor Stephen Bentley confirmed that he continues to represent Members of the Community on individual matters and had attended Planning Committee to speak on behalf of the residents. He congratulated the Parish Council on its work to prepare the Neighbourhood Plan for referendum. The Conservative Group of Councillors continue to work together to add pressure for a suitable resolution to the concerns regarding the future of the PRH and the services it provides in Telford.

18/1372 PARISH MATTERS

- a) Edgmond Parish residents should consider becoming a ‘ We Don’t Buy Crime’ zone and sign up for Smartwater. PC Lee Thomas will arrange for a representative to attend a village meeting for residents to gather more information and ask questions to enable the community to make a decision.
- b) There are a number of rusty and useless signs around the parish and particularly near to The Lamb, these would be reported, but it is also important that the Parish Council has an update on the report that was sent to TWC regarding the condition of all signs in the Parish.
- c) Up to date bus stop and timetables are needed throughout the Parish.
- d) The ‘Give Way’ sign on School Road, near High Street needs to be correctly positioned for maximum effect.

18/1373 NEXT MEETINGS –

9 th April 2018	7pm	Annual Parish Meeting
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An Environmental meeting is required before the end of April.

14 th May 2018	7pm	Annual General Meeting
	7.30pm	Full Council

There being no further matters, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm and thanked everyone for their important contributions to a successful meeting.

Signed **Date**

These minutes remain a draft (E & O A) until confirmed at the next Full Council meeting of the Parish Council in May 2018.