



MINUTES of the Full Council Meeting of Edgmond Parish Council which took place at **Edgmond Village Hall** on **Monday 10th September 2018** at **7.00pm**.

PRESENT: Councillors: R Higginson (Chairman)
M Hughes
P Hughes
G Jones
A Wilson
C Edwards
K Arbuthnot

In attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk
T Bell

18/1452 WELCOME AND PUBLIC SESSION

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

ARRIVA 519 SERVICE – SHREWSBURY TO NEWPORT

Arriva had announced that the Monday to Friday service would continue for the time being, although they had stopped the Saturday service on 1st September. This had been a commercial decision based on funding and usage.

The week day bus is essential, particularly for schools, colleges, the University and work. It is also the only way some residents can access appointments, leisure and shopping trips.

Whilst the decision regarding the weekday services is welcomed, there remains a need for the Saturday service. Members were informed that Shrewsbury College are in favour of supporting the need for the 519.

18/1453 APOLOGIES

Cllr S Bentley	Attending a TWC meeting	Arrived later
Cllr D Ryan	Personal circumstances	Accepted
Cllr R Hayhurst	Personal circumstances	Accepted

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

RESOLVED that these apologies be accepted. Members are reminded of the need to give apologies and the reason for absence. This is a legal requirement to avoid disqualification.

18/1454 VACANCIES

No applications had been received. Anyone interested in the temporary positions (until April 2019) should contact the Clerk or Chairman to discuss the process.

18/1455 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

18/1456 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN JULY 2018

It was proposed by Councillor G Jones and seconded by Councillor A Wilson that the Minutes of the July 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.

18/1457 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, for information

- a) **Future Fit**
The public meeting had taken place on 14th August, it was well attended and the community had an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. The next announcement is due in February 2019.
- b) **Edgmond Village Hall**
The thank you letters from the Parish Council to the Committee and users had been much appreciated.

18/1458 WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY

- a) **Parish Warden and Police Report**
No report had been received this month.
- b) **Newport Regeneration Partnership**
The next meeting will take place on 18th September 2018 where there will be an update on the Ni Park from Dr D Llewellyn of HAU.

18/1459 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

- a) **Report**
Councillor Jones presented the Minutes of the meeting held on 9th August, for information.

Application TWC/2018/0613
Permission had been granted to fell the three conifer trees, but only if permission is granted by the Landowner.

Members commented that the process is open to abuse and not in the best interests of The Conservation Area.
- b) **New Applications for consideration**
None
- c) **Edgmond Neighbourhood Plan**
Following a meeting with Policy Officers at TWC, a draft guidance document, as required by the Examiner's Report will be created and shared with HAU before submitting to TWC.
- d) **Other Planning Matters**
Development at Birchmoor Lane
Further information has been requested and will be circulated when received.

18/1460 ENVIRONMENT & RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

- a) **Report**
No meeting had taken place.
- b) **Rights of Way**
The signposts and way markers are now available and will be stored in Waters Upton. CE and KA offered to assist with the collection and installation of the posts when convenient with volunteers and the Ramblers.
- c) **Overgrown Hedges**
Further concerns were expressed that hedges, particularly those on boundaries which cause visibility issues for pedestrians and drivers, are left uncut and are allowed to become too overgrown. The Parish Council will have no alternative but to report such addresses to the authority who will insist on action.
- d) **Shrub bed maintenance**
Volunteers will meet on 6th October at 9.30am to undertake some essential maintenance on the beds near to Shrewsbury Road Car Park.
- e) **Shrewsbury Road Car Park and use of the sports field and pavilion**
A meeting is to take place with TWC and a local football club regarding future use of the field and pavilion and a possible grant application to upgrade and enhance the facility and car park.

18/1461

HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT & STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

a) **Report**

No meeting had taken place.

b) **Community Speedwatch**

Councillor Wilson updated Members on the scheme and presented a breakdown of the results from the sessions in August. 77 vehicles had been identified as travelling in excess of 35mph on Marsh Road, an average of 37.8mph. The Parish Council is working with West Mercia Police and some letters will be sent to those identified as 'speeding'.

A request to consider rumble strips in Marsh Road had been received. A full consultation would be required as these can be intrusive and detrimental to the quiet countryside.

c) **Sign Audit**

Councillor Wilson circulated a copy of the full sign audit, which had been produced following the full parish audit and meeting with TWC Highways Engineer.

A Highways Meeting will take place on 25th September where more information will be available.

d) **Street Lights**

One-off faults continued to be repaired as the contractor is in the area. However, the project to continue to upgrade the lights will be discussed further on 25th September.

e) **Marsh Road, Edgmond**

Detailed information regarding the weight restriction on Marsh Road had been obtained from West Mercia Police. The scheme was introduced to dissuade HGVs from using the road as a short cut from the A41 to B5062. Due to the sensitivity of the information, Councillor Wilson will engage with the residents to explain this in more detail.

f) **Other Matters**

Further information had been obtained regarding tractors, their size and speeds at which they can legally travel.

A dropped kerb will be requested to lead from Shrewsbury Road Car Park to the path towards the Bowling Green.

The car park surface continues to deteriorate and needs urgent attention.

Members were disappointed that the promised work on the walking us route has not yet been undertaken.

18/1462

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

a) **Report**

Councillor Higginson presented the Minutes of the meeting held on 30th July 2018, for information.

b) **Edgmond Magazine**

Members are reminded of their commitment to write an article as per the agreed monthly schedule.

c) **Noticeboards**

RH and GJ agreed to continue to undertake work on both noticeboard to improve their appearance and functionality.

d) **Facebook**

Edgmond Parish Council would not continue with facebook at this time. Thanks would be extended to RH for her work with this project.

18/1463

COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

a) **Report**

Councillor G Jones presented the Minutes of the meeting held on 30th July 2018, for information.

18/1464

FINANCE

a) **Payments & Financial Report**

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

Cheque No	Expenditure	Power	Amount
000904	Website	LGA 1972	£437.71
000905	Edgmond WI	LGA 1972 s 137	£50.00

000906	SALC Affiliation Fee	LGA 1972	£516.58
000907	Scribe Accounting Package	LGA 1972	£215.88

b) Payments Against Budget

Under the terms of the new audit regime, a list of payments will be available on the website, with an assessment of payments against budget. A copy had been circulated to Members.

c) Grant Application

Members agreed to defer this application to the next meeting.

18/1465

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) All correspondence received for information has been circulated to all Members. There had been no requests for any item to be included on the Agenda for further discussion.
- b) The Parish Council has received a reminder about illegal fly-posting and we are requested to inform local groups and organisations that posters need to be removed within 3 days of an event.
- c) Edgmond Parish Council has supported the proposals included in the Electric Vehicle Charging Network Strategy. It may be that HAU would be able to assist in promotion and use.
- d) The next Bus User Group meeting will take place on 22nd October at 7pm
- e) West Mercia PCC is supporting the Smartwater Initiative. If the information has not been included in this month's magazine, a flyer will be produced for inclusion in the next edition. We will require 70% of the households to sign up to the scheme if it is to be supported.
- f) A offer to attend a future meeting had been received from the Mayor of Telford & Wrekin,

18/1466

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A request for the Parish Council to recognise the Centenary of Armistice had been received. This will be included on the next Agenda for discussion.

18/1467

CLERK'S REPORT

All matters have been included within the Agenda.

18/1468

COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Wilson had attended the Introduction to Planning workshop seminar and gave a short presentation on the topics included which will be subject of other sessions in the coming weeks. Members are required to book onto the sessions they are able to attend.

A copy of the slides will be circulated for information.

18/1469

MATTERS FROM TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

Councillor Stephen Bentley reported on the work he, and Councillor Burrell, had undertaken and meetings attended regarding essential bus transport for a Newport to Shrewsbury route. North Shropshire Wheelers are to introduce a regular service from High Ercall to Newport and back. This will enable local residents to use Newport for appointments and shopping and to link them to other services, such as to Telford or Stafford.

Meetings with Arriva had identified a cost for the re-introduction of the Saturday service. Around 9000.00 will be required and Newport TC and Parish Councils will be asked to contribute towards the cost. Newport Regeneration Partnership will be approached along with HAU. It is then hoped that TWC will match fund what is achieved.

Further information will be circulated as it is received. In the meantime, usage is essential if the service routes are to be maintained past May 2019.

18/1470

PARISH MATTERS

a) Mud on the Roads

It is important that tractor drivers and farmers are reminded of the law with regards to leaving mud on the roads. This can be dangerous if not cleared up. Thanks are extended to HAU whose drivers do clear the roads. The mud also damages the road surface and can result in more potholes.

18/1471

NEXT MEETINGS

25 th September 2018	2pm 7pm	Highways Committee Public Meeting – Provost House Planning Application	Edgmond Village Hall
8 th October 2018	7pm	Environment Committee	Edgmond Village Hall
25 th October 2018	7pm	Rural Forum	Waters Upton Village Hall
12 th November 2018	7pm	Full Council	Edgmond Village Hall

There being no further matters, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25pm 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 October 2018.