



## ENVIRONMENT AND RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018** in Edgmond Village Hall at 7.00pm.

### Present:

Councillor C Edwards  
Councillor R Higginson  
Councillor G Jones  
Councillor K Arbuthnot

In attendance: Katrina Baker (Clerk)

### **E2018/131 Welcome**

Councillor Edwards thanks Members for attending.

### **E2018/132 Apologies for absence**

Councillor D Ryan                      Leave of Absence

### **E2018/133 Declarations of Interest**

None

### **E2018/134 Minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

It was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Higginson that the Minutes of the meeting be agreed as a true record.

### **E2018/135 Matters Arising**

A resolution is needed regarding the overgrown verge on Newport Road. The road is narrow and visibility poor at this location.

### **E2018/136 Recreational Facilities**

#### **MUGA**

The Parish Council is awaiting the RoSPA report on the facilities before discussing the maintenance that is needed before next Spring. TWC has responsibility for its maintenance.

#### **CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA**

The site is in need of attention, some of the equipment is unlikely to survive the RoSPA inspection which is due at any time. The landscaping maintenance will be included in the new contract from April 2019, but as yet the contractors, Idverde, have not indicated the service level agreement for the site.

It may be that the Parish Council will add this to a future agenda for in depth discussion. In the meantime, grants are available for play equipment and an application can be submitted which would provide a new piece of multi-use equipment and members may consider an application for an Outdoor Gym Experience.

TWC has offered a long term lease agreement for the Parish Council to take on the responsibility of the area. An alternative option was to take on the maintenance of the equipment, but not the landscaping, but as yet there is not sufficient information available for the Parish Council to make a decision.

**E2018/137 Rights of Way  
Volunteers**

The Parish Council is very grateful to all volunteers, who are working with the Parish Council to ensure that the rights of way in Edgmond are clear and signposted to encourage use. All walkers are reminded of the need to have dogs under close control. The replacement posts and markers can be collected from Waters Upton. Anyone who identifies a location that requires a replacement post, can contact the Clerk.

**E2018/138 Parish Environmental Maintenance**

The Grounds Maintenance and Cleansing Contract has been awarded to Idverde. A meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup> will advise us of the service level agreements, following which the Parish Council may want to 'buy in' to additional services.

Members will meet on 13<sup>th</sup> October to clear the flower bed off Shrewsbury Road Car Park. Anyone available to assist would be very welcome.

The work to improve the Walking Bus Route from Shrewsbury Road to the school will take place in the next few weeks. This will be an extensive project, undertaken by TWC, with funding identified by the Ward Members, from the Pride in Your Community Funding. In preparation for this, it was agreed that the Parish Council would employ the services of a local contractor to trim and clear the path, to make it safe for the Walking Bus Users and to tidy up the route for the winter months.

**RESOLVED that a local contractor will be employed to clear the route of the Walking Bus.**

**E2018/139 Other Business**

**Shrewsbury Road Playing Field**

This area is a significant asset to Edgmond and is well used by a variety of groups and organizations, and appreciated by the community for exercise, children's activities and dog walking.

TWC is investigating an option to lease the area to local sporting facility groups and organizations and the Parish Council is keen to attend meetings to understand the options and considerations.

**Land at Robin Lane**

The Clerk updated the Committee on the proposed lease agreement regarding the land at Robin Lane.

The Parish Council is very grateful to the local residents who are assisting in keeping the area tidy, the flower bed and grassed area are mown regularly.

**E2018/140 Date of the next meeting**

To be arranged as required.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

Signed .....Date .....