



MINUTES of the Meeting of Edgmond Parish Council which took place at **Edgmond Village Hall** on **Monday, 9th September 2019** at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillors: A Wilson (Chairman)
K Arbuthnot
C Edwards
G Williams
I Pryce

In attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk

19/1609 WELCOME AND PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman, Councillor Wilson, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
There were no matters raised from the public.

19/1610 APOLOGIES

Councillor S Bentley	Attending a TWC compulsory training event	Approved
Councillor S Burrell	Alternative commitment – may arrive later	Accepted
Councillor R Higginson	Travelling back from holiday	Approved

It was proposed by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Pryce, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that these apologies be accepted.

19/1611 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

19/1612 VACANCIES

The positions remain advertised.
Members agreed that Councillor Pryce should take up the vacancy on the Highways Committee, for the time-being.

19/1613 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN JULY 2019

It was proposed by Councillor Edwards and seconded by Councillor Williams, that the Minutes of the July meeting be signed by the Chairman as a true record. With one abstention, all were in favour and thus it was

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

19/1614 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, for information

a) Bank Signatory

There had been no further progress on this. The Clerk would contact the relevant branch by phone to discuss how our requirements can be achieved.

19/1615 WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY OF EDGMOND – Outside Body Representations

a) Parish Warden and Police

The report had been circulated to Members, for information.

b) HAU Liaison Meetings

The next dates suggested by HAU are Friday, 11th October at 10am and Thursday, 5th March 2020 at 10am.

c) Newport Regeneration Partnership

The next meeting takes place on 10th September, Councillor Edwards continues to represent the Parish Council at the meetings.

19/1616

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

a) Report

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27th August had been circulated, for information.

b) New Applications for consideration

There are no new applications for consideration at this meeting.

c) Planning Information Seminars

Details of the Planning Event on 4th November have been circulated, anyone wishing to attend can book a place with the Clerk. The Chairman will attend the event to hear about the changes to the Pre-Application Consultation process in November.

d) Asset Of Community Value Application

A meeting had taken place on 28th August where Councillors A Wilson, R Higginson, S Bentley, G Williams and K Arbutnot attended to discuss the Parish Council application with legal officers from TWC. A report of the meeting has been circulated for information, and explained that the original application did not meet the current guidelines. Members were grateful for the advice they received and a revised application is now ready for submission.

The possibility of applying, under the Town & Village Green Commons Act 2006, for the paddock to be designated as a Village Green, was also discussed. However, Members did not believe that it met the necessary requirements and would therefore raise unnecessary expectations which would have an adverse effect on the ACV application for the Lion Inn. It was proposed by Councillor A Wilson and seconded by Councillor Edwards that the Parish Council submits the ACV application and that no further consideration is given to the Village Green status at this time. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that Edgmond Parish Council re-submits the ACV Application for The Lion only.

19/1617

ENVIRONMENT AND RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

a) Report

No meeting had taken place.

b) Rights of Way

Investigations were continuing regarding the path from High Street to Pipers Lane, through the grounds of St Peter's Church – Members did not believe this to be a public right of way.

c) Flower Beds

Thanks were recorded to all Members who had attended to help clear the flower bed adjacent to the Shrewsbury Road Car Park and to HAU for collecting the arisings. A letter of thanks would also be sent to Mr S, for his work to maintain the areas on Chetwynd Road and Robin Lane.

d) Grounds and Cleansing Contract, Idverde and TWC

There has been some improvement in the standard of grass cutting. However, there are areas of continued concern, such as opposite the Lion Car Park and the path to school. We will try to get Idverde to help out, although it may be quicker and easier to employ the services of a local tradesman.

19/1618

HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

a) Report

No meeting had taken place.

b) Community Speedwatch

There had been little opportunity to undertake the monitoring since July.

c) Street Lighting

Overall, the residents are pleased with the recently installed LED street lights. However, there had been a

couple of light failures in Marsh Road, which the contractor is aware of.

d) Consideration of a 20mph home zone area

Councillor A Wilson, G Williams, R Higginson and S Bentley met with a Highways Officer on 9th August to discuss options for speed reduction on High Street. During the meeting, evidence was clear that the size of the HGVs and Agricultural Vehicles were making the situation worse and that any scheme would have to be considered as a capital project as there was currently no additional funding for such work.

TWC would give some, thought to additional signs and road markings. However, in the meantime the Parish Council would continue to collect residents' views, as part of the consultation, and would, in the future, consider the possible request for a one-way system to be introduced.

e) Rural Forum

Members are invited to Waters Upton Village Hall on 1st October 2019 at 7.30pm.

f) Use of rural lanes by cyclists

There had been much concern regarding the cyclists and whilst it was accepted that the cycle route through the village was to encourage cyclists not to use Cheney Hill, their respect for the dangers on the narrow rural lanes was a concern.

19/1619

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

a) Report

The Minutes of the meeting held on 29th July, were received for information.

b) Facebook

Cllr Williams had not yet set up a designated Facebook page for the Parish Council having found that the original one is still in place and has been used recently with the speed consultation exercise. It was agreed that we should add Cllr Williams as a Admin to this page and take up the advantage of the followers already registered with this.

c) Telephone Kiosk

Members supported the idea of a library being created in the old phone box in Stackyard Lane. This would be for children's book as an extension to the existing provision around the village. It is important, however, that this is kept tidy and that there is no fire risk. The Clerk will contact the Planning Authority for confirmation of any regulations necessary.

d) Parish Council Surgeries

It was agreed that Parish Councillors could attend Village events, such as the table top sales, wearing ID badges and talk to local people about issues they wish to raise with the Parish Council. These will be passed to the Clerk for action.

19/1620

COMPLAINTS & APPEALS COMMITTEE

a) Report

The Minutes of the meeting held on 29th July, were received for information.

19/1621

FINANCE

a) Orders for the payment of invoices, as per the financial regulations of Edgmond Parish Council

The vouchers were checked by two Members and the corresponding cheques signed for the following payments:

Cheque Number	Expenditure	Authority	Total Cost
000945	Website Provision	LGA 1972	£437.71

b) Remuneration Scheme

Members confirmed that the Clerk should respond to TWC and explain how the scheme works for Edgmond and that Members agreed that this is still acceptable, for our needs.

19/1622

CORRESPONDENCE

a) **Information, received for members, has been circulated. There have been no requests for it to be included on the Agenda.**

b) **Kickstart**

Thanks were extended to the Parish Council and Village Hall for their support of the event which had been very successful, despite the weather. There are to be more events, as a result of the roadshows, during the coming year.

c) **Rural Forum**

The Freedom to Move strategy proposal will be included on the Agenda for the Rural Forum on 1st October 2019.

d) **Wrekin Area Committee**

The AGM takes place on 18th September at 7pm at High Ercall Village Hall, the guest speaker will be Councillor Rae Evans, TWC.

e) **SALC AGM and 70 year anniversary celebration**

The Chairman and Mrs Wilson will be attending this event on 15th November. If anyone else wishes to attend, please contact the Chairman or Clerk to make the booking.

19/1623

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

The Chairman reported that he had attended his first SALC Exec Meeting since election as one of the five WAC representatives. The meetings are dominated by Shropshire PTCs, but there is an avenue to get concerns raised, we may use this in the future.

CLERK’S REPORT

Various work had continued regarding paths, food waste bins, the play area and planning enquiries. There had been concerns raised that the collectors of the food waste were not respecting the containers as some had already been broken.

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MATTERS FROM TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

None

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PARISH MATTERS

None

19/1626

NEXT MEETINGS

14th October 2019 7pm Highways Committee

11th November 2019 7pm Full Council

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 November 2019.