



MINUTES of the Meeting of Edgmond Parish Council which took place at Harper Adams University on **Monday 12th July 2021** at 7.00pm. This meeting had to take place via zoom due to last minute changes regarding the numbers able to attend a meeting in the Village Hall.

PRESENT: Councillors: A Wilson (Chairman)
R Higginson
G Jones
K Arbuthnot
S Bentley
C Edwards
Y Brunger
S Burrell (from end of 21/1825a)
M Barton (from 21/

In attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk
Marion Barton (until 21/
6 Members of the public

21/1825 WELCOME AND PUBLIC SESSION

The Chairman, Councillor Wilson, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. The Agenda had been kept short to enable the meeting to take place via Zoom and all other matters will be added to the agenda for an additional meeting, following the ease of Government restrictions.

A warm welcome was extended to members of the public.

Public Session

- a) With reference to Planning Application TWC/2021/0615 – Members were asked to consider the following matters when discussing the application.
- Large HGVs through the village, logs transporters
 - Disposal of waste, fires
 - Lack of screening
 - Noise from the site, noise pollution
 - Mind of the employment, but this is not an industrial site

21/1826 APOLOGIES

None

21/1827 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Edwards TWC/2021/0615 Non-pecuniary

21/1828 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 10th MAY 2021

It was proposed by Councillor Higginson and seconded by Councillor Brunger, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2021 be signed by the Chairman as a true record. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes be accepted as a true record.

21/1829 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, for information

There were no urgent matters arising, others will be carried forward to the next meeting.

21/1830

VACANCIES

The advertisement for the current vacancies has been posted and anyone interested in calling an election should contact TWC.

Edgmond Parish Council has three existing vacancies and there has been one application to be co-opted. A personal statement has been received from Mrs M Barton and has been circulated to Members for consideration.

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

RESOLVED that Mrs M Barton be co-opted to Edgmond Parish Council.

Councillor M Barton read and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by the Clerk as the Proper Officer of the Council.

Members welcomed Councillor Barton.

21/1831

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

a) Report

None

b) New Applications for consideration

Members had taken the opportunity to consider the attachments for the applications which are on the telford.gov.uk/planning website

TWC/2021/0599 Land adjacent to Egremont House, 4 High Street

Erection of 7 dwellings and associated garages

The Chairman updated Members on the public meeting held on 1st July which was well attended by local residents who raised a number of concerns and information relating to the proposal.

There has been over 50 comments added to the Telford planning portal.

The Chairman had prepared a statement, which took into consideration all the points that have been raised in correspondence with the Parish Council, at the meeting and on the telford.gov.uk website.

There have been previous applications submitted for development on this site. There have been no significant changes and therefore the previous reasons for refusal by the Planning Authority should apply.

The proposed development is contrary to the NPPF, the TW Local Plan and Edgmond Neighbourhood Development Plan. There is insufficient space between the properties and the MUGA. The site is in the Conservation Area and within close proximity to Listed Buildings. The site is an important green space in the centre of the Village.

RESOLVED that Edgmond Parish Council would strongly object to the application. A copy of the objection will be attached to the Minutes of this meeting.

The application has been called-in for determination by the Planning Committee at TWC. This will enable a Parish Council representative to attend and express the views of the Parish Council. There will also be an opportunity for one of the Ward Members and a member of the public to address the Committee.

TWC/2021/0387 Land at Rear of 64, 66 and Ashwood House

Amended plans received – change of use and erection of stables and agricultural building

Members queried the details available for the application. The information is contradictory and Members agreed that they are not in a position to comment on the application until relevant and accurate information has been provided. It remains contrary to Edgmond Neighbourhood Plan.

Members agreed to call-in the application for determination by the Planning Committee so that there would be an opportunity to question the proposals if full information was not available. This was

proposed by Councillor Burrell, seconded by Councillor Higginson and all were in favour.

Councillor Edwards declared a non-pecuniary interest and took no part in the discussion.

TWC/2021/0615 Log-A-Log, Bridge Farm, Edgmond

Change of use from Agricultural to Mixed Use agricultural and commercial timber yard.

This application is retrospective and has been submitted following advice from TWC.

Complaints have been recorded regarding the high pitched drone which is evident in parts of the village when sawing is taking place.

Concerns have also been raised regarding the disposal of waste which can often be seen burning.

As noted in the public session, at this and previous meetings, the noise from the saw and reversing vehicles limits the enjoyment of gardens in the village.

However, Members also discussed the employment opportunities and the need for farms to look for diversification. This is considered as a sustainable application.

The Parish Council has received assurances from the operators that they are addressing the noise issue. It was also noted that there is limited access to and from the site (for the HGVs) because of the restriction on Brockton Road.

RESOLVED that Edgmond Parish Council would support this application, but with conditions. The Parish Council believes that there should be screening and cladding to reduce the effects of the noise. A further condition should be included with regards to the burning of waste and the pollution this creates in the atmosphere.

21/1832 ENVIRONMENT AND RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE

a) Report

Thanks were extended to the Edgmond Gardening Group for their work on the Shrewsbury Road flower bed, which is looking good.

21/1833 HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE

a) Report

The junction of the Newport Road and B5062 is now more dangerous as the verge needs cutting right back to the hedge so ensure satisfactory visibility when leaving the junction. The Clerk will contact Idverde and ask for urgent action. Local landowners are responsible for their hedges and some need cutting back urgently.

Members are disappointed that the SID project has still not been installed. The Clerk was instructed to write to senior officers to establish what the delay is, as this cannot be financial as the funding is being provided by the Parish Council.

21/1834 COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

a) Report

Members agreed that the Working Group minutes and agendas should appear on the same page as the Committees, when looking at the website.

21/1835 CORRESPONDENCE

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

b) Information from SALC

c) Climate Change Action Plan

The deadline for consultation has been extended and everyone is encouraged to comment on the Plan.

d) Queen’s Platinum Jubilee

There is to be an extra Bank Holiday in June 2022 to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. The Chairman is arranging a meeting with the Village Hall, Church and School and will keep the Parish Council informed.

e) London Bridge Protocol

It was proposed by Councillor Wilson and seconded by Councillor Jones that an official Royal Framed Photo be purchased and a Book of Condolence.

21/1836 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

None

21/1837 WEST MERCIA POLICE

Members wished to record their thanks and appreciate to West Mercia and in particular to PCSO Ivan Collumbell. It has been good to have a regular visible presence in the Parish.

21/1838 MATTERS FROM TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

Councillor Bentley updated Members on local issues mentioned the highway works on the B5062 from Crudgington to Edgmond. There are some concerns regarding the road markings which have been passed to TWC.

Councillor Burrell updated Members on the improvements at Bobaston Bank, resident concerns regarding the speed of traffic in Longwithy Lane, flooding in Robin Lane and gulley clearance in Water Lane and Waterloo Road.

21/1839 PARISH MATTERS

Longwithy to B5062	grass verges
Opposite The Lamb	overgrown hedges
Stackyard Lane and Manor House	overgrown hedges

Wall damaged at Shrewsbury Road Car Park

21/1840 NEXT MEETINGS

13th September 2021	7.15pm	Edgmond Village Hall	Full Council
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There being no further matters, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.500pm 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 September 2021.