

EDINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting of the Parish Council
held on Monday 7th March 2016
at 7.30 pm at Edingale Village Hall.

Members present:

Cllr C Wesley (Chair)
Cllr S Dhillon
Cllr Cliffe
Cllr N Mason M.B.E.
Cllr Lacey
Cllr J Startin
Cllr Van Arkadie

Mrs M Jones, Clerk to the Parish Council, 5 members of the public.
The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **To receive apologies**
None
2. **To receive any Declarations of Interest**
None
3. **To approve the Minutes of the meeting of 1st February.**
The Minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.
4. **To adjourn the meeting, to hold the Public Session, and to reconvene the meeting**
The wind turbine planning application at Raddle Farm was raised, it was asked where they would be sited. The Chair explained that there had been no notification about this from South Derbyshire District Council, in whose area the site was located, although details were on their website. The Parish Council would inform residents about the application and how to send in comments, everyone was encouraged to send in their views. This would be discussed further during item 8.

A Picnic in the Park event was being planned at the Village Hall to celebrate HM The Queen's 90th birthday. A request had been made to the Parish Council for funding of £500 towards the hire of a bouncy castle, music equipment and other costs. Everyone in the village would be invited, and Mary Howard School would be involved. The Chair thanked all the organisers who had come forward to plan this event.

The Chair of the Village Hall mentioned future events, including the Barn dance on 12th March, Easter Egg Hunt and afternoon teas on 20th March, a charity coffee morning, and the Village Hall AGM followed by spring cleaning on 9th April. Planning was going ahead for the Open Gardens on the weekend of 18th/19th June.

5. **To receive the Clerk's Report**

Defibrillator - The Parish Council had now been awarded a free defibrillator and CPR training materials by the British Heart Foundation. The Black Horse had been asked to site a device at the premises, and this would be ordered.

Affordable Housing - Waterloo Housing had been asked whether they could purchase existing properties but had thought this was unlikely.

Annual Parish Meeting - this would be held on Tuesday 3rd May.

6. **To receive correspondence**

SPCA bulletins

Staffordshire County Council Rights of Way team, Community Paths Initiative bids

RAF Lichfield, details of 75th Anniversary

Staffordshire Community Foundation, funding information.

7. **To receive Councillor's Reports**

Cllr Cliffe asked whether anything could be done about three fallen willow trees in the River Mease, which risked flooding. The Clerk would contact Natural England. *Action:Clerk*

Cllr Lacey reported on discussions with Waterloo Housing. He also reported that land near the mini roundabout had been cleared.

Cllr Van Arkadie said that it appeared that a tree planted on the Rowley Close land for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee may have died. He also said that Harlaston Parish Council had been informed that a decision on the planning appeal regarding Hogs Hill wind turbines would be made by the Secretary of State, and would shortly be known.

There were potholes on Croxall Road, these would be reported.

Cllr Wesley reported on blocked drains in School Lane, Severn Trent lorries had spread mud there, and would be asked to clear it.

Action:Clerk

8. **To consider any planning matters**

(a) Application 16/00012/FUL White Knights Cottage, Croxall Road; Demolition of existing cottage and erection of a 3 bedroom dwelling with basement, detached garage and associated works. RESOLVED that the Parish Council had no objection.

(b) Neighbourhood Planning; this would be discussed at the next meeting.

(c) Application for two wind turbines on land at Raddle Farm, Raddle Lane. It was agreed to send information to residents on how to comment on the application. Following discussion, it was RESOLVED, but not unanimously, that the Parish Council would send a letter of objection to the application to South Derbyshire District Council.

Action:Clerk

9. **To consider improving signage to the Village Hall**
The Village Hall Committee had asked for signage to the Village Hall on Croxall Road at the end of Moores Croft. Highways would be asked to consider this, and also a sign to the church from Church Lane.
10. **To consider work required on trees on the island at the Black Horse**
The trees were in need of trimming and were difficult to manage for the Christmas lights installation. RESOLVED to ask tree surgeons for advice and quotes. *Action:Clerk*
11. **To consider tree planting for HM Queen's 90th birthday**
Cllr Mason had suggested this, but it was decided to wait until it was clear whether the Diamond Jubilee tree had survived, as there were few suitable sites for a large tree.
12. **To consider first aid training**
A large pack of CPR training materials had been supplied by the British Heart Foundation. RESOLVED that the Clerk would contact Keith Dawson to arrange for him to conduct a training session.
13. **To consider grant requests**
A request for a donation for security lighting at the Village Hall for up to £700 was proposed by Cllr Lacey and seconded by Cllr Van Arkadie.
A request for a donation of £850 for Holy Trinity Church, churchyard maintenance, was proposed by Cllr Van Arkadie and seconded by Cllr Cliffe.
A request for a donation for £500 towards the costs of a picnic in the park to celebrate HM Queen's 90th birthday was proposed by Cllr Lacey and seconded by Cllr Van Arkadie.
RESOLVED to approve the grant requests.
14. **To receive the Financial Report**
 - (a) The bank reconciliation was noted.
 - (b) It was agreed to set up a standing order for the Clerk's salary.
 - (c) Pension arrangements would be discussed at the next meeting.
 - (d) An application would be made for online banking, with Cllrs Dhillon and Startin named as users.RESOLVED to approve the Financial Report.

15. **To approve the payment of cheques on the cheque payment schedule.**

Mrs M Jones, salary and expenses, £243.96;

Mr L Watkins, Playing field mowing, moss treatment, £155;

Staffordshire Parish Councils Association, training fee, £20;

Society of Local Council Clerks, subscription, £31;

Edingale Village Hall, donation for table tennis table, £354.98;

donation towards running costs £850.

RESOLVED to approve the payments

16. **Date of next meeting:**

Monday 4th April 2016

The meeting closed at 9 p.m.

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