

**EDINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Held on Wednesday 22 July 2015 at 7.30pm in the Old Schoolroom Edingley**

**Present:** Mrs D Poole (in the Chair), Mrs S Thornton, Mr M Needoff, Mrs Z Tunnicliffe and Mr D Bradford.

**In attendance:** Cllr R Jackson and Cllr P Rainbow  
Mrs J Baily

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

**1. Apologies for absence**

None received

As Cllr Jackson had to leave by 8pm to attend another meeting the order of the Agenda was changed.

**3. Minutes of AGM held on 13 May 2015**

These having been circulated previously were signed as a true copy by the Chairman

**3. Matters arising from the Minutes**

There were none

**4. Declarations of Interest**

There were none

The meeting was opened to the public.

It was suggested that Edingley Hill needed clearing of greenery on the banks on either side as they were encroaching onto the road. **Cllr Jackson to look into.**

On 12 June there had been a serious accident when a car coming from the direction of Farnsfield had gone into the hedge. There had been a large puddle in the road by the bridge following heavy rain. The grate fills up the dyke but as the water doesn't go anywhere it stays on the road. It was thought to be because the dyke needed to be extended so that water flows down into the Beck. **Cllr Jackson to look into.**

A letter of support was requested for the Old Schoolroom. The Management Group had made an application to REN to modernise the Schoolroom itself and update the facilities.

**Cllr Thornton to draft letter.**

Meeting closed to the public

**12. Speed and Flow Count**

Cllr Jackson explained the speed and flow counts and the Clerk handed the Chairman a copy of an e-mail she had received from Mike Keeling. The tubes were in place on Station Road

**14. Highways – stones on frontages**

Matt Duckworth had rung Cllr Poole and said he was sending out letters to individuals who had stones on their frontages. Someone had fallen off their bicycle and had needed hospital treatment after hitting a stone. Apparently Highways can't condone stones on frontages so

all stones have to be removed. The stones had now all been removed apart from one set. The Chairman said the Parish Council would support Highways on this matter. Cllr Bradford said he had received a letter and removed his stones with great reluctance. They had been there for 25 years with no problems. He felt it needed to be a District wide ban rather than just an Edingley ban but residents need to have a way of keeping cars from their frontages. Cllr Poole to let Cllr Bradford have some cards to put on any cars that park on his frontage. Cllr Jackson said that Highways had no choice but to respond in the way they had.

Cllr Jackson left the meeting.

The Chairman announced that the winner of the Best Kept Allotment was Plot 6, Mr Chris Clay.

The winner of the Best Half Plot was Mr Mike Paling

The Best Newcomer was Mr Joe Frost

Mr Compton was requested to get the trophy back from 1st year's winner ready for the presentation at Farnsfield Horticultural Society Show on 22 August.

## **2. Appointment of new Clerk**

The Chairman introduced Mrs Janet Baily who was the newly appointed Clerk and would commence work with effect from 1 August 2015. There were various things that now needed doing ie taking the present Clerk off the signature list with regard to signing cheques, asking the new Clerk to fill in the requisite forms to enable her to be paid etc and the old Clerk off all systems. The Chairman had spoken to NALC re salary and she proposed to adopt the new NALC system for payment. Cllr Tunnicliffe proposed and Cllr Thornton seconded. All in agreement.

Gill would stay on until 31 August to help Janet.

The place of work for the Clerk would be her home address but the address for meetings was the Old Schoolroom, Edingley. There needed to be somewhere the Clerk could safely meet members of the public and it was agreed that the best time and place for this would be immediately prior to a Parish Council Meeting. The Chairman quoted a figure for Janet's salary. The present Clerk's salary scale had been fixed 14 years' ago and was based on the Precept and the number of voting population. However, it had all now changed and salaries could be agreed by the Parish Council.

It was resolved that the authorised signatories in the current mandate for the accounts detailed in Section 2 be changed in accordance with Sections 5 and 6 and the current mandate would continue as amended.

The Chairman proposed that they appoint Janet on the same scale as Gill was currently on. All in agreement. Janet would be paid on 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. The Chairman said that for employees working from home there may be monies to purchase office equipment. Janet said she had her own. The hours per month worked to stay the same at 10.

Health and Safety Policy – to comply with Newark & Sherwood District Council

## **6. Co-option to Parish Council**

The Chairman said that two people, Mr K Topham and Mr Chris Clay had put their names forward. Mr Clay was asked if he wanted to say a few words. He said he wouldn't go onto the Parish Council thinking he knew everything. He admired the Parish Council and the work they did and he would like to offer his support.

Mr Topham said that due to an oversight he hadn't submitted the name of a Secunder on his Nomination Paper. Both were asked to leave the room while the election took place.

Cllr Bradford asked if they were allowed more than one co-option in order to try and avoid a situation where a meeting may not be quorate. The Chairman said the Parish Council had a fixed number of 7 Councillors and she did not know how it could be changed but she would take advice from NSDC. Both men could not be voted on at the moment.

Voting papers were passed round and the Councillors placed their X. The Clerk was asked to count up the votes.

Both men were invited back into the meeting and the Clerk read out the vote.

4 votes for Mr Chris Clay and 1 vote for Mr Kevin Topham.

Mr Clay took his place on the Parish Council.

### **7. Any Planning Matters**

The Clerk had received a Planning Appeal against refusal of a householder application for the Station House on Station Road in Kirklington. The Clerk was asked to let the Chairman have the copy of the Plans and Planning Application that they had voted against previously.

### **8. Any results of Planning**

Highfields Nursing and Residential Care Home, Station Road, Edingley, Nottinghamshire  
**Application Permitted Advertisement Consent for 1 non-illuminated freestanding sign.**

### **9. Chairman's Report**

The Chairman had nothing to report

### **10. Clerk's Report and Correspondence**

The Clerk had received some documentation concerning the Local Government Boundary Commission. She had placed a copy on the notice board but the original was placed in the July Circulation Folder.

Came & Company had written to say they had joined with Stackhouse Poland Group.

An e-mail had been received from BT concerning the Adopt-a-Kiosk to say that the Agreement was in the post and once the telephone equipment had been removed a completion notice would be e-mailed.. No £1 has yet been paid.

### **11. Councillors' Reports**

There were none.

### **13. Temporary Speed Sign**

The Clerk read out an e-mail from Mike Keelling which indicated problems with putting a speed sign on the Lamp Column at the top of the hill. Consequently the speed sign had been allocated elsewhere for now. However, it was possible that a suitable place may not be found in which case it would not be able to be fitted.

Cllr Bradford said that the existing speed sign had a lot of greenery overhanging it.

**The Clerk to contact Highways regarding all greenery obscuring road signs.**

It was suggested that the 30mph speed limit sign be moved further away from the top of Edingley Hill to a point between John Hill's and Mr Sharman's houses.

### **15. Edingley Plaque**

The Clerk had received an e-mail from a resident in Farnsfield whose mother in law had been having a clear out and came across a plaque which had been found by her husband in the grass at the side of the road some years ago. He wanted to give it back to the Parish Council.

It has been discovered that it was originally fastened to a tree outside the Church. The tree was subsequently cut down to make the parking area. It was thought that it might have been made at BP in Eakring. Cllr Bradford offered to investigate the possibility of having it flattened to optimize its future use. It had featured in an article in 'Chad' this week.

## **16. Welcome Pack**

Item to be put on next Agenda

## **17. Allotments Open Week-End and Review of Allotments**

It was felt that next year's Open Weekend should start earlier than its 2pm start this year. Rosettes suggested to be placed on the winning plots and maybe post results on a new allotment notice board. There had been 29 scarecrows entered into the competition this year and all scored between 39 and 47 points. The allotment scarecrow winner was Mr Chris Clay. First place (not on the Allotments): Choirboys and Room on a Broom.

Second place (not on the Allotments; Ed & Lee.

There would be prizes for all. **Cllr Thornton to write a piece for the notice board.** As the scarecrow competition expanded in the future more prizes would be given. Cllr Bradford suggested posting photographs on the Schoolroom wall.

It was agreed that the hedge surrounding the allotments needed trimming again.

Cllr Thornton suggested a nice sign be made for the allotments.

## **18. Allesford Lane, Travellers**

The Chairman reported that an extra caravan had been put on the traveller site. NSDC were now taking notice. Mr Webster told the Enforcement Officer that he always wanted 5 caravans on the land. The District Council are now trying to have them removed from the plot and proceedings were under way.

Cllr Rainbow said that the Planning Application was for 4.

The Chairman briefly went through the history of the site and said the Parish Council had always opposed building in open country and were still opposed to it for anyone.

## **19. Any Business for next meeting**

Notice Boards and Signs

Queen's Birthday Celebrations 12 June 2016 – Marquee on Lamb's Field

Precept

Management of Lamb's Field

Footpaths – Lamb's and field at side of Methodist Chapel

## **20. Invoices for payment**

There were none

## **Date of next meeting.**

It was agreed that meetings would be held on Wednesday evenings in future, the next being on 9 September.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

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