**EDGEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall,**

**Monday 15th August 2016, 7:00pm**

**Present:** John Seymour (Chair) Mark Cook (vice Chair)

Eric Earnshaw Anne Harrup

Suzanne Longe Kirsty Cotgrove (Clerk)

David Ramsbotham (County Councillor) + 2 parishioners

A parishioner asked what is being done about the damage to the bus shelter? It was agreed to discuss this under item 10. The parishioner also asked what is happening with the Community Speedwatch group? This will be discussed in item 13.

SL arrived at 7:04pm.

The parishioner noted that he has seen many vehicles speeding through the village.

A parishioner asked if the speed information has been downloaded yet? JS advised that he has been away, but hoped to do it the following day. The parishioner asked a number of questions about the Parish Partnership scheme. It was agreed that DR will

Find out and let the Clerk know, who can circulate the information.

1. **Chairman’s welcome & apologies for absence** – The Chairman welcomed everyone and apologies were noted on behalf of Emma Cletheroe, Harrie Morshuis the PCSO and Georgina Perry-Warnes (District Councillor).
2. **Statements of pecuniary or prejudicial interests** - None.
3. **To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Monday 11th July 2016** – the minutes are approved and signed (prop. MC & sec. SL).
4. **Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda** – None.

**6. Police Report** – JS read the police report that the PCS had emailed to the Clerk. There were 3 calls to the police in the last month, with no crimes reported. Parishioners are advised to hide valuables from sight in vehicles in the summer. The next SNAP meeting is 18th August at 6:30pm, at Holt Youth Project.

**7. Finance**

**(a)Payments**

The following payments were approved and the cheques were signed. (Prop MC, Sec SL)

1. Kirsty Cotgrove – Clerk net salary Aug £ 186.55

**(b)Receipts**

None.

**8. Planning**

**(a)Permission for Development** –None.

**(b)Refusal of permission** – None

**(c)Applications** – (i) CL/16/0991. Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of dwelling house in excess of 10 years, without compliance to the occupancy condition attached to the original planning consent. The Bungalow, Edgefield Hall, Holt Road,

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Edgefield, NR24 2RS. The application was discussed, and no-one had any information to pass to NNDC.

(ii) PF/16/1000. Erection of 2 storey front extension. Greenacres, Ramsgate Street, Edgefield, NR24 2AX. The application was discussed and the PC agreed they have no objection.

**(d)Development committee decision** – None.

**(e)Decision notice** – PF/16/0398. Solo, Ramsgate Street, Edgefield, NR24 2AY. Erection of single storey rear and side extension. NNDC permit given.

**(f)Additional information on applications** – None.

**(g)To consider late planning applications** – None.

**9. To update and agree a maintenance plan for the Jubilee Playing Field** – JS has requested that AH investigate a good wildlife camera to try and catch the flytippers.

EE is still in contact with NNDC regarding identifying the recent culprit. The future use of the JPF was discussed. A height barrier to the car park was discussed, but it would only stop vans, not cars. A parishioner suggested blocking the car park entrance, and asking Stody if the JPF could be accessed from their land to cut the grass. It was agreed the Clerk will contact the Charity Commission again to see what can be done, and to see if restrictions can be lifted. A parishioner stated that the land must not be sold, as it is a village asset. The Clerk will investigate the possibility of a mobile phone mast.

**10. To discuss how to prevent damage to the bus shelter on the green** – The Clerk had requested 4 quotes, but only one was given, for over £360 + VAT. EE has spoken to the parents of the boys suspected of causing the damage, who have indicated that they may repair the roof, but they have not contacted the Clerk. It was agreed that EE will speak to them again. The Clerk will obtain further quotes. A ‘no ball games signs was discussed and agreed. JS to obtain quotes for two signs, for the shelter and the wall of the village hall.

**11. To report on Highways issues** – A number of jobs were identified. It was agreed that the Clerk will write to landowners who have responsibility for hedges along the footpaths in the village.

**12**. **An update on broadband in the village** - DR confirmed that Ramsgate Street will not get faster broadband until the end of 2018. If people want it sooner, they can apply for vouchers to fund satellite broadband. JS suggested a note in the Edgefield Extra to let people know. The Clerk will contact Dawn Hulbert to ask if she is planning to produce one soon. It was agreed to also include a request for ideas for the JPF, and to let people know that ball games are no longer allowed on the green, and to explain why.

**13**. **An update on the proposed community speedwatch group** – EE reported that 6 sites for the group have been identified, but this needs to be narrowed down to 3. A mutually convenient date for training needs to be identified. EE will ask the co- ordinator if all 6 sites can be used, rather than 3. JS will send the SAM2 results to the Clerk, to circulate with the minutes.

**14. Feedback on the meeting with Holt 1st Responders about the defibrillator** – MC and Jeff Witts met with Peter McAllister, who is pleased with how well the defibrillator has been looked after. Kings and Barnham have checked the electrics, and Jeff WItts has suggested this can be done with the village hall annual check. The pads are

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Currently paid for by the 1st Responders, but this may not continue permanently. They can do a refresher training session at the village hall on 19th October, from 7- 9pm. The Clerk will check the hall is free, and include this information in the Edgefield Extra.

**15**. **An update on the village pond** – A clearing session recently took place. Phil Borley has cleared the reeds away. When to clear the water soldiers was discussed. EE stated that it needs to be done at the beginning of September, but it was agreed by a majority that the end of September would be better. AH will email UCL for feedback on the pond tests. A date for clearing the water soldiers was agreed for 29th September at 6pm. The Clerk will ask for volunteers with waders to assist in the Edgefield Extra.

**16**. **To discuss the gas tanks at the village** **hall** – Jim Frost has volunteered to take a cutter to the village hall to clear around the gas tanks.

**17**. **To discuss and** **formulate a** **response to the Electoral Review of North Norfolk** – DR advised that the plan is to reduce the number of District Councillors from 48 to 40. Nothing official regarding boundaries etc has been published. The plan is for each Councillor to represent 2000 people. It was agreed it is not possible to respond without knowing the proposals, but the PC would like to stay with the benefice villages if possible.

**18**. **Report from David Ramsbotham, County Councillor** – DR reported that NCC have been working with the police to identify children and vulnerable adults at risk. There will be a waste disposal amnesty on 17/18th September at Hempton. The recent Parish Partnership deadline is 17th September. There are possible co-funders which can be found online. If someone calls 999 with a suspecgted heart attack, they could now get the fire service attending instead of a community first responder. The devolution consultation deadline is 23rd August. It was agreed that the Clerk will respond on the PC’s behalf, that they are not in favour.

**19. Report from Georgina Perry-Warnes, District Councillor** – None.

**20. Correspondence** –

**(a) Environment Agency – river Bure routine maintenance** – It was agreed that the Clerk will attach a copy to the minutes as this letter is for information only.

JS reported that he has received hisletterfrom the PC regarding keepingthe stream clear. The Clerk has received a response from the Pointens to confirm that they maintain their stretch.

**21**. **Matters for further discussion** – None.

**20. To agree the date of the next meeting** – Monday 19th September 2016, 7pm.

**21**. **To close the meeting** – There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:46pm.

Signed as a correct record: Date:

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