

EDGEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Monday 20th July 2020, 7pm.

Present: Mark Cook (Chair) (MC) Emma Cletheroe (Vice Chair) (EC)
Anne Harrup (AH) Lin Pateman (LP)
Jackie Cole (JC) Suzanne Longe (SL)
Andrew Brown (District Councillor) (AB)
Steffan Aquarone (County Councillor) (SA)
Kirsty Cotgrove (Clerk)
+ 2 members of the public

20/83. Chairman's welcome and apologies for absence – MC welcomed everyone. Apologies were accepted for Harrie Morshuis.

20/84. Statements of pecuniary interests, and dispensations to speak – None.

20/85. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings of Monday 20th July 2020 – The minutes were approved and signed (prop. EC, sec. AH, all agreed).

20/86. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda – A Parishioner has been in contact with Duncan Baker about the Offshore Ring Main investigations. He also asked about the Government white paper proposals to remove District Councils. AB reported that there is talk of turning Norfolk into a unitary authority, and appointing a mayor, but there is no white paper yet.

20/87. Police report – Newsletters are forwarded to Councillors as and when received.

20/88. Report from Steffan Aquarone, County Councillor – SA reported that he is sending regular Covid updates. People can sign up for these at bit.ly/meltonconstable. People are encouraged to use local businesses, especially as many helped the community during lockdown. The Offshore Ring Main was further discussed. It was noted that Orsted are still not committing to HVDC technology, or any community outreach. It was suggested that people should contact Orsted directly to request they pursue HVDC technology.

20/89. Report from Andrew Brown, District Councillor – AB had emailed a report prior to the meeting. He asked if the issues relating to the Pigs Street Food market are improving. It was asked how the Pigs staying open will benefit the village, and it was noted that they employ a number of young, local people. Concern was raised that they are now opening a campsite and are hosting an event over the bank holiday weekend which will run until 11pm. It was agreed that AB will ask James Windsor at NNDC if these events are allowed. It was suggested that anyone affected by the music at any of these events should contact Environmental Protection at NNDC on 01223 789858.

Steffan Aquarone left the meeting at 7:48pm.

20/90. Finance:

(a) To approve the monthly financial statement – The Monthly financial statement and budget update had been circulated prior to the meeting. They were duly approved.

(b) Payments - The Following payments were approved (prop. SL, sec. EC)

(i) K Cotgrove – Clerk's April August (via SO)	£203.45
(ii) K Cotgrove – stamps	£ 7.32

20/91. Planning –

Refusal of permission – None.

Applications – None.

Development committee decision – None.

Decision notice – None.

Additional information on applications - None.

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To discuss late planning applications – None.

To ratify applications made between meetings – None.

20/92. To update on community Speedwatch and consider the traffic survey – Jeremy Goldney reported that the second questionnaire will be sent out with the Church & Village News, and then collected by volunteers. The Speedwatch group are waiting for the police to issue new equipment.

20/93. To discuss and agree the purchase of paint for the phone box on the Green, and to dispose of hedge cuttings – Two Parishioners have offered to paint the phone box, if the Parish Council can buy the paint. All agreed. One of the Parishioners has also cut back some of the shrubs, and is happy to do the remaining shrubs and hedges, if the Parish Council can arrange for him to take the waste to Shrubbs Farm for disposal. The Clerk will contact them to arrange.

20/94. To update on the Broadland Housing scheme - The footpath is now fully open through the development. It was confirmed that the field behind the Holt Road Council houses is still owned and maintained by NNDC. The Clerk asked about the S106 money owed to the Parish, and this is now being looked into by NNDC. AB will check the agreement for the S106 money. There is no phase two planned at the moment. Disappointment was voiced that one of the shared ownership houses appears to have been purchased as a second home, which goes against the exception scheme ideals. Only 5-6 properties have so far been sold.

20/95. To discuss the recent and upcoming Street Food Markets at the Pigs – Already covered in AB's report. The Sty in the Sky is being looked into by Planning Enforcement. AB will look into the upcoming car event.

20/96. To update on the Hornsea windfarm application and others – The Oulton Group have asked for donations towards a judicial review. It was agreed that, as the review would likely be unsuccessful, the Parish Council will not donate towards this.

20/97. To discuss the rental for the Camping Ground – There are no tenancy agreements or details of rental increases in the files, and the Records Office is still closed, so the minutes cannot be checked. It was agreed that a formal lease will be needed going forward. SL & EC will speak to ex Councillors to try and obtain further information.

20/98. To discuss Highways issues, including the railings around the pond on the Green – The Friends of Edgefield will have to meet to see if they will fund the painting of the railings, as the estimated cost will be approximately £200. The Clerk is waiting to hear if the Parish Rangers will fund this.

20/99. Correspondence – (i) Supporting Silver Sunday – Clerk will resend the email to Councillors, who will respond directly to the Clerk.

(ii) Taxi Handbook Consultation – The Parish Council had no comment.

20/100. To agree the date of the next meeting – Monday 21st September 2020.

20/101. To close the meeting There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:31pm.

Signed as a correct record by:

Date: