

## EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of the Edith Weston Parish Council (EWPC) held on Monday 27 September 2021 at 7.15pm**

Attendance: Julie Gray (JG) – Chair, Juliette Stuttard (JS) - Vice Chair , Helen Wood (HW), Cathie Gwilliam (CG) - Clerk, Neil Farmer (NF)

Visitors: 5 members of the public including County Councillor Gale Waller (GW) , PC Andy Wylie, Tommy's Close trustee Helen Shepard (HS) and 2 others.

118/21. Apologies

Andrew Lunn, Peter Coe, PC 2113 Pete Icke, Ken Bool

119/21. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

None

120/21. Peter Vickers coopt onto council. CV circulated to Parish Council prior to this meeting.

Postponed to the next meeting

121/21. Public Open Forum

Resident reported that there were still problems with the Speed warning sign closest to the Pub on Manton Road. PC Wylie confirmed that the Safety Camera Van will be conducting its risk assessments to confirm exact location to be used and once that has been concluded Edith Weston will be added to the vans regular pitch roster.

CLlr Gale Waller asked that we add a permanent agenda item for an RCC update. Today she reports the RCC meeting will go back to being face to face. Local Plan – The first cross party working group meeting will be on Thursday. The second stage of the Rutland Vision is not yet going public.

122/21. Minutes of the last meeting Tuesday 24th August 2021. Please see **Appendix A** attached.

**Resolved.** To accept and sign both as a true record.

123/21. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda

Use of car park agreed with Base 2IC. Please ask any potential users to email GR with their requested dates of use and the make, model and registration of the vehicles that will be parked in the area. He will then check that it doesn't clash with any other usage and then pass the details onto the guardroom. The guard staff carry out regular patrols and routinely lock the area at night but will leave it open whilst any permitted vehicles are parked there.

**Action: CG** to contact the pub, church and village hall in use of the carpark as overflow if needed and the process detailed above that they **must** follow.

124/21. Update from the Army

None

125/21. Neighbourhood Planning Committee (NPC) update.

Local Green Space Consultation in progress and runs until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October. Full report will be made to the next working group meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> October and to the Parish Council at the next PC meeting.

126/21. Tommy's Close. Please see **Appendix B** (separate email).

HS confirmed that the consultation was about to go live. There would be a public session in the village hall on Saturday that was very widely advertised over the next few days via various village newsletters, leaflets etc welcoming feedback via email, in person or via feedback forms that can be collected at the shop.

The Trustees will share all feedback with the parish council.

Parish Council asked how people will be able to see the plans if they cannot make the village hall session on Saturday. HS confirmed they were hoping to get it on Facebook and notice boards.

One member of public asked why the consultation was only 2 weeks? HS confirmed that it was because they had a grant deadline and that trustees felt that 2 weeks was an ample time frame.

127/21 To discuss planning applications received:

None

128/21. Update on environmental issues in the Parish:

Nothing to report.

129/21. Traffic Management Focus Group. Please see **Appendix C** attached.

**Resolved.** To approve the report received.

**Action Points:** Parish Council to obtain all costings.

130/21. Edith Weston Film Club request for support.

It was confirmed that the parish council are not in a position to help with set up cost due to a conflict of interest. It was suggested to make enquires with other villages, for example Laxton, on how they have set up similar enterprises.

131/21. Finance:

- To note the current bank balance on the Parish Council's Accounts. **Appendix D**

**Resolved.** Approval of report.

- Agree scope of Finance Working Group to look at streamlining Budget headings and prepare next year's budget ready for precept application in January.

**Resolved.** JG to join CG and invite AL to also join.

- Clerks request for funding of CiLCA qualification  
<https://www.leicestershireandrutlandalc.gov.uk/cilca.html> . Cost of the registration with SLCC is £410 and the course itself through LRALC membership is £495. **£905 in total.**

**Resolved.** Approval of expenditure to be added to next year's budget.

132/21. To agree payment of invoices: Copies attached to **Appendix D**

- SLCC membership - £80

**Resolved.** To be paid. **CG to Action.**

- External Auditor Report - £240

**Resolved.** To be paid. **CG to Action.**

- Clerks expenses
  - Postage - £15.75
  - Additional Land Registry charges - £30
  - Zoom September - £14. 39

**Resolved.** To be paid. **CG to Action.**

133/21. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk

- Flowers and Bulb planting on verges

Action Point: Locations to be selected. JG to purchase bulbs. Request for volunteer planets to be included in the next newsletter.

- Organising litter picking groups

Action Point: CG to look into any volunteer groups that can visit the village for a donation.

- Snow Wardens

**Action Point:** CG to look into joining the RCC scheme

- Rural Community Changing Connection Coffee Van visit 13th October.

**Action Point:** CG to look at the possibility of using the Pub car park when it is closed on a Monday.

- Drop Kerb.

HW updated that Annington Homes manager Paul Guy is looking onto how the best way to resolve these issues are as soon as possible.

134/21. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting

Monday **25 October 2021**, 7.15pm at the Village Hall

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**Appendix A**

**EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting of the Edith Weston Parish Council (EWPC) held on Tuesday 24th August at 7.15pm.

**Attendance:** Juliette Stuttard (JS) – Vice Chair, Helen Wood (HW), Cathie Gwilliam (CG) - Clerk, Gary Rutherford (GR) - Military Liaison, Peter Coe (PC), Neil Farmer (NF), Andrew Lunn (AL)

**Visitors:** 3 members of the Public

103821. Apologies

Julie Gray (JG) – Chair, County Councillor Ken Bool (KB), Gale Waller (GW)

104/21. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

None

105/21. Public Open Forum

None

106/21. Minutes of the last meeting 26 July 2021. Please see **Appendix A** attached below.

**Resolved.** To accept and sign both as a true record.

107/21. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda

- Fix my street chases

Items have been chased and work is being done by Tommy's Close Trustees to clear vegetation from the electronic speed sign to make it visible again.

- Website transfer

CG unable to carry out actions from last meeting in time before website renewal deadline so we have retained the old website and will look at transfer in slower time.

108/21. Update from the Army

GR reported no further update on the planned move to Kendrew Barracks, still looking like 2023.

During September SGB will be hosting a Biathlon so residents may notice a slight increase in traffic etc. GR will pass on more details closer to the time.

CG passed on question from Tyler's close about permission to use carpark at mini round about and GR will get back to us with details of who to talk to.

109/21. Neighbourhood Planning Committee (NPC) update.

DRAFT minutes of last meeting 13 July 2021. Please see **Appendix B** attached below.

PC also updated Local Green Space (LGS) Audit consultation on track for September. Design Codes are still a work in progress. Master Plan work is on hold until RCC have voted on the Local Plan (which may have to go back and start again). Listed Buildings criteria will be included in the LGS consultation. CG is drafting the next newsletter.

EWPC noted the minutes and update.

110/21. To discuss planning applications received

**2021/0878/FUL PROPOSAL:** Demolition of existing pump house and construction of new 2 bedroom dwelling.

The Old Pump House Manton Road Edith Weston Rutland LE15 8HB

**Resolved.** No objection. EWPC noted that this application was a marked improvement from the original proposal. **CG** to action with the following comments: *Edith Weston Parish Council do not object to the application . However, because the property is in the countryside, we would request that the hedges should be maintained to 3.4 metres high by way of a condition to minimise any visual impact of the built development in the countryside.*

111/21. Update on environmental issues in the Parish:

NF still chasing RCC regarding Dog Poo bins. RCC claiming problems with German supplier.

Gates into village have now been power washed.

Traffic Management Focus Group (TMFG) have meet and developed a list of highway improvements. EWPC wish to liaise with the school regarding improvements that could be made to the safe route to school.

112/21. Finance:

- To note the current bank balance on the Parish Council's Accounts. Appendix C
- VAT 2021/22 O1 Claim - £103.09
- Set up Colemans account for printing/photocopying/stationary.

**Resolved.** All Approved

113/21. To agree payment of invoices: Copies attached to **Appendix C**

- Biffa Grass Cutting March to July 2021 - £1198.44

**Resolved.** To be paid. **CG to Action.**

- Clerks expenses
  - Printing - £28.99
  - NP Land registry Costs (approved via email) - £24 (notes to reimburse the actual cost if it went over the original estimate).
  - Zoom, August - £14.39

**Resolved.** To be paid. **CG to Action.**

114/21. To discuss correspondence received by the Clerk Please see **Appendix D** below

- King Edward Way Defib. Yet again the battery has gone flat and a temporary replacement has been provided while it goes back to the manufacture for investigation. It has been proposed that EWPC consider replacing the defib not it is put of warranty with a modern version similar to the one now installed in Derwent Ave.

**Correspondence noted.**

**Action Point.** **CG** to gain quotes on cost of replacement.

- Tree to be felled Weston Road

**Correspondence noted.**

115/21. Tommy's Close Update:

Grant application. Peter Shepperd, Chair of the Trustees was in the public forum and took part in the lengthy debate.

Key points of the debate were :

- It was noted that the grant being applied for now is for the two phases not just phase one (replacing the younger children's play area) - this represents a significant change
- We discussed that whilst the PC would support urgent replacement of younger children's area, we would ask that build is split into two phases with full consultation with residents on both phases before planning permission is sought. This is especially needed by those whose properties neighbour the play area.
- The quotes obtained appear to be different in nature due to exact requirements not being provided in advance to the suppliers (so like for like quite could have been obtained). However we understand urgency.
- We noted the letter from RCC setting out require us to comply within the conservation area that the village is within which we would fully endorse.

**Key actions required by Tommy's Close Trustees:**

- To seek the advice of Neil Farmer & Peter Coe on the quotes that they have to enable a plan to be constructed to get like for like quotes.
- Phase 2 suggests that a hard play area be built - evidence that this was wanted by residents needs to be presented. Urgent consideration to be given to the following:
  - no or lower wood fencing around the area (as this would mitigate the visual and environmental impact)
  - a grass or sound dampened surface rather than hard surface
  - just one multi- sports goal / basketball end
  - an array of 'multi age' exercise equipment to cater for every generation
- Disabled access needs to be a top priority for any design (as this is inadequate at the moment).

The Parish Council voted in favour of approving the grant IN PRINCIPLE subject to the above actions and the following conditions:

- Subject to a cap of £4,500.
- Key points above regarding phase 2 to be considered.
- Planned use of the funds meet Community Infrastructure Leve (CIL) criteria.
- Disabled access to be addressed as a separate agreement.

116/21. Rutland Climate Action. Please see **Appendix D** below.

Deferred to the next meeting as out of time to debate in full.

117/21. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting

Monday **27 September 2021**, 7.15pm in the Village Hall

## **Appendix B Separate email**

## **Appendix C**

### **EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL – Traffic Management Focus Group**

Notes of the working group held on 20th August.

**Attendance:** Juliette Stuttard (JS), Helen Wood (HW), Cathie Gwilliam (CG), Andrew Lunn (AL), Charlotte Cave (CV).

**Apologies:** Stephanie Belson (SB)

The following list of proposals to be put to the Parish Council for consideration.

**Speeding:**

1. 40 mph speed limit prior to the 30 limits coming into the village from Manton.  
Also consider liaising with Manton PC to look into the possibility of 40 or 50 mph speed limit all the way from Manton to Edith Weston.
2. Actions to promote and safeguard the safe route to school for all pedestrian parents and children.
  - a. Extend zigzag road marking around the corner from school entrance on Weston Road to Manton Road.
  - b. Put railings on the corner of Weston Rad and Manton Road.(PC to investigate costings)
  - c. Widen the pavement all along Manton Road. (PC to investigate costing to compare against cost of railings)
  - d. Upgrade old speed indicator signing for signs that give actual speed.
  - e. Increase School and pedestrian signage to include flashing signs.
  - f. 20 mph speed zone during school hours.
  - g. Pedestrian crossings on Edith Weston Road where parents and children walking form North Luffenham to the school have to cross the road when the pavement moves from on side to the other, either side of the SGB main gate.
  - h. Pinch point chicanes, one or two. To be considered very carefully as in some cases this can actually speed up traffic when on long straights and may cause a noise issue for residents living in close proximity to them.

All of the above to involve close liaison with the school to take into account and safety assessments they already have and any additional funding they may be able to attract via schemes such as ModeShift Stars etc.
3. Request participation in the Residents Speed Cameral scheme.
4. Closer Liaison with Police regarding speed checks and mobile speed van presence.  
**21/09/21 Confirmed received from Police that Edith Weston has been added to the Safety Camera Van list of regular locations.**
5. Request RCC do speed survey again during peak season and school drop off and collection times.

**Parking:**

1. Putting yellow lines on Normanton road to mirror those already in place.
2. Getting all yellow lines supported by law enforcement orders.
3. Advertise to residents their ability to apply to Highways for H bars to mark out their driveways Give them details of the cost and the process they must follow. (Consider a special addition newsletter)
4. Access village or residents only signage. Consider best locations?
5. Consider liaison with Anglian Water regarding extending car park opening hours during summer.
6. Gibit Lane – Consider and find coating for ways in which to protect the verges:
  - a. Planters – Sponsorship from local business?
  - b. Posts
  - c. Yellow lines
  - d. Boulders – Donations from local quarries?

**Appendix D**

