

EDGCOTT PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT 6PM ON MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2024
IN EDGCOTT VILLAGE HALL

19/24 Attendance and apologies

Attendance:

Cllr P Harper (Chairman)

Cllr R Webster

Cllr B Kay

Cllr S Gassor

Cllr A Hawes

In attendance:

C Jackman (Clerk)

1 resident

Apologies:

Unitary Councillor Angela Macpherson

Chair started the meeting by announcing the sad death of Charles Harris who was a member of the Parish Council from 2016 to 2019. He worked on raising funding and overseeing the village hall improvements, street lighting and was a Community Watch volunteer. He will be missed by the Parish Council and the village.

20/24 Members Interests

None.

21/24 Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15 January 2024

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15 January 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

22/24 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

23/24 Planning (2022-23 Planning applications/decisions are at Appendix 1)

a) Applications

23/03875/APP: Development of a battery energy storage system (BESS), connected directly to the national Grid with associated infrastructure including access, drainage and landscaping | Rookery Farm Granborough Buckinghamshire MK18 3NJ.

Decision: Object.

Action: An objection had been submitted to Bucks Council.

24/00338/APP | Proposed conversion and change of use of an agricultural building to a warehouse Class B8 (Storage and Distribution) | Perry Hill Farm Perry Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTS.

Decision: No objection.

Action: Clerk to inform Buckinghamshire Council (AVDC Area).

b) Appeals

MOJ APPEAL AGAINST BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL REF: T 22/00125/REF: *To receive update*

The appeal by the MoJ has been allowed. The Council have six weeks to decide whether to go to judicial review. However, it is unlikely that a judicial review will be requested as it is likely to cost in the order of £60,000 to £150,000 which Buckinghamshire Council will not fund.

There was some confusion with 'Reserved Matters'. It was not clear if MoJ will have to resubmit an application if they decided to change the layout of the prison. It is thought that a change to the layout might be needed because a local expert considers that the current one is not workable.

Action: Chair and Roger Behagg (RB) to draft letter to Buckinghamshire Council (BC) Planners stressing that the Parish Council will be monitoring any changes MoJ request and would expect BC to ensure that all conditions are met.

22/03098/APP Appeal Ref: 23/00079/REF Planning Inspectorate Ref: APP/J0405/W/23/3332664

Site Address: Land Adjacent To Lawn Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire.

Proposal: Change of use of land for the creation of 4no Gypsy/Traveller Pitches for residential use, including the siting of 4no mobile home, 4no touring caravan and the erection of a dayroom (Retrospective) Appeal by: Prideaux Planners Ltd.

It was noted that:

- Appeal allowed.
- The Parish Council expects BC Enforcement to ensure that all conditions are met.

c) Other applications

19/A0983/DIS | Submission of details pursuant to Condition 7 (details of compound) 17 (Construction Traffic Management Plan) 25 (Noise Impact Assessment) relating to Planning Permission 19/00983/APP | Tuckey Farm East Claydon Road Winslow Buckinghamshire MK18 3ND.

It was noted that a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) proposes to use the approved HS2 HGV route which would bring approximately 6 to 10 HGV's per day through the village from the A41 during the construction phase.

Action: Clerk to write to UC Angela Macpherson to ask for a meeting to discuss the implications of the above appeal results.

24/24 Rosefield Solar Farm

It was noted that this project is still at the pre-application stage including a Strategic Consultation and Final Submissions.

25/24 Finance

a) Payment and Receipts

Payments of accounts and receipts at **Appendix 2** were noted.

b) 2024-25 budget

It was noted that the 2024-25 council spend may be over budget if funding for the village hall damp work is not raised externally. However, any overspend can be vired from other budget items.

26/24 Village Hall

a) Damp in Kitchen

A revised quotation to resolve the damp in the kitchen has been received. It was noted that:

- The work will probably start at the end of April.
- Funding from the Community Board is only available if the hall has at least 21 years left on the lease. There is currently only 10 years left on the lease but this should not be an obstacle as the terms of the lease allow for a further extension.

Actions: Chair and Cllr BK to liaise with the contractors.

Cllr BK to obtain two written quotes: one for the removal and replacement of the kitchen cupboards and one for new kitchen cupboards should it not be possible to refit the current ones.

VH Committee to liaise with hirers whilst the work is being carried out.

b) Committee Report

Cllr Gassor reported the following:

- 5 March: A Bacon Butty Morning
- 23 March: PCC Coffee Morning
- 27 March: Bingo
- 18 May: Pop-up Pub
- 1 June: Plant Sale.

c) Grass Cutting

It was noted that access to the village hall grass area for a ride on mower is required.

Action: Chair and Cllr BK to look into what is required.

d) **Smart Meter**

It was noted that a Smart Meter has been installed. It was anticipated that future invoices will not be estimated.

27/24 Highways and footways

Chair will be meeting with Local Area Technician on Wednesday 28 February and will go through the village issues with her:

- Flooding at Pond Corner
- Clear brambles from the pond at Pond Corner
- Gullies which need cleaning
- Pot holes on Perry Hill and near the chicken farm on Marsh Gibbon Road.

28/24 Speedwatch

a) **Speedwatch**

Chair had been approached by the Chair of Grendon Underwood Parish Council requesting information on Edgcott PC's thoughts for the 20 mph speed limit.

Chair explained that Edgcott PC:

- Is in favour of the 20mph but Bucks Council is not.
- Have not held speedwatch sessions as the police had lost the data from the previous session.

b) **MVAS**

Cllr SG has in hand the down loading of the information from the mobile MVAS.

Action: Chair and Cllr BK will move the mobile MVAS to Church Lane.

29/24 Street Lighting

It was noted that:

- Two street lights in Leonards Close had been repaired.
- There are only two more street lights to convert to LED: Lawn Hill and Lawn House Lane.

30/24 HS2

There were no updates available.

31/24 Community Board and sub-groups

There were no updates available.

32/24 Street Furniture/Pond area

a) **Bench**

There were no updates available.

b) **Bus Shelter**

The contractor hopes to complete the repair of the bus shelter roof in the next few weeks.

33/24 Quarterly Newsletter

The next newsletter will be issued at the end of March.

34/24 Waddesdon Freight Zone

Chair had completed the Waddesdon Freight Zone survey and had pushed for the north of the A41 to be included and asked to keep the HS2 access road from Fleet Marston to Steeple Claydon adopted as a public highway once HS2 have left the area.

Action: Resident to ask HS2 for a map of the access road.

35/24 Correspondence, Circulars and Consultations

All correspondence, circulars and consultations had been forwarded to councillors by email.

36/24 Any Other Business

a) **Gigaclear**

It was agreed to invite Gigaclear to make a presentation of its plans for Edgcott.

b) King's Portrait

A free portrait of King Charles III had been ordered for the village hall.

37/24 Date, time and venue of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in Edgcott Village Hall at 6pm on Monday 8 April 2024.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Signed (Chairman) _____ **Date** _____

STATUS OF 2023-24 (AND 2020-22 AWAITING A DECISION) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Reference	Address	Status
20/02927/APP	Clover Meadow Marsh Gibbon Road Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTA	Awaiting decision
22/01899/APP	Hm Prison Grendon Springhill Road Grendon Underwood Buckinghamshire HP18 OTL	Awaiting decision
22/01900/ALB	Hm Prison Grendon Springhill Road Grendon Underwood Buckinghamshire HP18 OTL	Awaiting decision
22/03384/AOP	Littleton Manor Farm Bicester Road North-West Of Waddesdon HP18 OJR	Awaiting decision
23/00079/REF	Land Adjacent To Lawn Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire	Appeal Allowed
23/00274/APP	Hm Prison Grendon Springhill Road Grendon Underwood Buckinghamshire HP18 OTL	Approved
23/00412/COUAF	Dunsty Hill Farm Edgcott Road Calvert Green Buckinghamshire OX27 OBJ	Refused
23/00529/APP	Land From The South West Of Quainton To The North Of Grendon Underwood Doddershall Quainton Buckinghamshire	Awaiting decision
23/01151/APP	Hm Prison Grendon Springhill Road Grendon Underwood Buckinghamshire HP18 OTL	Approved
23/02098/APP	St Michaels Church Church Lane Edgcott Buckinghamshire	Approved
23/02099/COUAR	Barn To The North Of The Grendon Road Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTN	Refused
23/03233/PIP	Lea House Lawn Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTT	Awaiting decision
23/03549/COUAF	Perry Hill Farm Perry Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTS	Refused
23/03875/APP	Rookery Farm Granborough Buckinghamshire MK18 3NJ	Awaiting decision
24/00338/APP	Perry Hill Farm Perry Hill Edgcott Buckinghamshire HP18 OTS	Awaiting decision

Appendix 2

Date	Description		Payment	Income	Ref
17/01/2024	Bucks Council	Lottery		25.00	
02/02/2024	Hugo Fox	Inv 4229: Website monthly payment	11.99		101223
06/02/2024	Valda Energy	Inv 733481: VH elec 19/01/2024 to 18/02/2024	41.25		DD
07/02/2024	Bucks Council	Lottery		42.50	
12/02/2024	E.on Next	Inv KI-218921ED-0016 VH Elec 1-18 Dec 2023 (Final Payme	100.17		101224
20/02/2024	Castle Water	Inv 10001474705: VH Water 1 Jan - 31 Jan 24	2.09		101225