



# EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

24 Coniston Road, Edith Weston LE15 8HP

## Minutes of the meeting of the Edith Weston Parish Council (EWPC) held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023 in Edith Weston Village Hall

**In Attendance:** Juliet Stuttard (JS) Chair, Helen Wood (HW), Peter Vickers (PV),  
Charlotte Cave (CC), Sara Glover (SG) Clerk,

**Visitors:** 5 members of the public

Agenda No		Action
018/23	<b>Apologies</b>	
	It was resolved to accept and approve apologies from Andrew Lunn (AL), Gale Waller (GW) and Jenna Miles (JM)	
019/23	<b>Declarations of interest in items on the agenda</b>	
	None	
020/23	<b>Co-option of new parish councillor</b>	
	It was proposed that Keith Simpson (KS) be co-opted onto the Parish Council with immediate effect. <b>Proposed:</b> PV, <b>Seconded:</b> HW, agreed by all. KS agreed to take on the environment portfolio. Handover meeting with Neil Farmer to be arranged.	SG
021/23	<b>Public Open Forum</b>	
	There were no questions from the public. It was noted that Norman Milne was awaiting the photo montage relating to his planning application which would be provided to the Parish Council as soon as available.	
022/23	<b>Rutland Council Report</b>	
	Councillor Bool (KB) made the following comments: 1. The Neighbourhood Plan should be a priority focus for EWPC. 2. A response to the call for sites was very important both as individuals and in liaison with other parish councils. 3. It was likely that there would be a 4.99% increase in council tax by RCC. 4. RCC would go into 'purdah' in March prior to the elections in May 2023. 5. An audit of roads and paths in Edith Weston would be beneficial, with any defects reported to RCC. Also a review of TPO's in the parish – a list of current TPO's could be obtained from RCC. KS to action.	JS JS    KS
023/23	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	
	<b>Resolution:</b> Approved and to be signed as a true record.	JS
024/23	<b>Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>JM to be chased for a response re nightwork on the base.</li> </ul>	HW

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Warning flags has been taken down but it was noted this is not the responsibility of JM</li> <li>Call for sites response to be taken up by the NP Committee (see 022/23).</li> <li>Feedback on the draft NP not yet received from RCC despite EWPC being given assurances it would be. KB to chase. SG to forward latest emails to KB.</li> <li>Terms of reference from DIO workshop re Officer's Mess to be attached to minutes.</li> <li>RW Partnership – PV has contacted the Chair of CPRE. It was agreed not to take any further action until after the elections.</li> <li>LRALC EGM – PV to attend</li> <li>Alicia Keyes has invited JS to a meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March – EW parish councillors to let JS have any items to raise with her.</li> </ul>	<p>JS</p> <p>SG/KB</p> <p>SG</p> <p>PV</p> <p>All</p>
025/23	<b>Update from the Army</b>	
	No updates	
026/23	<b>Neighbourhood Planning Committee (NPC) update</b>	
	<p>Draft planning policies have been submitted to RCC for screening to see if they require any further information – still awaiting a response (see 024/23). Once these have been received and incorporated, EWPC will have to approve the updated draft before it is formally submitted to RCC – to be co-ordinated by NPC.</p> <p>KB suggested that as part of response to call for sites, alternative uses for the St George's base should be put forward, for example an alternative site for the solar farm being proposed for Exton. NPC to co-ordinate response to call for sites.</p> <p>SG to obtain copies of the MoD workshop outputs as displayed on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January and circulate with the minutes. Cascade has requested to attend the March EWPC meeting.</p>	<p>AL/PV</p> <p>AL/PV</p> <p>SG</p>
027/23	<b>Planning applications</b>	
	<p><b>i. 2022/1459/FUL: Erection of Replacement dwelling</b>  Weston Lodge, 6 St Mary's Close, Edith Weston, Rutland LE15 8HF  Deadline: extended to 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023  <b>Resolution:</b> no objection subject to receipt of photo montage from both aspects (Church Lane and Rutland Water) to show new dwelling will not be visible, the new dwelling not to exceed existing footprint plus permitted development, new dwelling to be in keeping with existing properties in the village (eg built in stone).</p> <p><b>ii. 2023/0030/FUL: Change of use of agricultural field to Dog Walking field</b>  Rutland Water Camp Site, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Rutland LE15 8HJ.  Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023  <b>Resolution:</b> objection based on road access via a safe road route to school, narrowness of the road, lack of a public footpath and number of pedestrians and cyclists using the road, fence height being unsightly, car parking especially when the campsite is busy or at busy times at the sailing club (eg</p>	<p>SG</p> <p>SG</p>

	<p>national sailing competitions), EW already has a dog walking field (Tommy's Close) plus access to Rutland Water, the airfield and other countryside areas, and the site should not be used for dog agility classes.</p> <p><b>iii. 2023/0049/CAT: Reduce 2 Ash trees (T1 &amp; T2) by 5m, approximately 1.5m below previous reduction point and sever ivy. Remove 3 Cypress trees (T4, T5 &amp; T6) to just above ground level. Reduce height of Birch tree (T7) by 5m (back to previous reduction) and reduce laterals by 1.5m to shape crown. Reduce height of Ash tree (T8) by 3m and reduce lateral branches by 1m to balance shape</b></p> <p>9 Well Cross, Edith Weston, Rutland LE15 8HG</p> <p>Deadline: 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023</p> <p><b>Resolution:</b> no objection</p>	SG
028/23	<b>Environmental Issues</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TPO for Officer's Mess – JS has contacted RCC re the process, and Andrew Belson is happy to assist. KS and CC to take forward (see note above re TPO list).</li> <li>• Community Speedwatch agreed for 3-16<sup>th</sup> July (not June dates as mentioned in the meeting). SG to liaise with HW re volunteers.</li> <li>• Street lighting – RCC has now responded with a list of street lights. HW has contacted Priem and will then contact DiO/MoD to ascertain which lights they are responsible for as there appears to be some duplication of payment. RCC also stated that the lights are not adjustable, but those which have LED lanterns installed should dim between the hours of 21.00-06.00. To upgrade the lights to part-night photocells would cost £500 per light. It was noted the North Luffenham were installing mini-solar panels on their street lights to save costs – something to be explored in future.</li> </ul>	<p>KS/CC</p> <p>SG</p> <p>HW</p>
029/23	<b>Finance</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The EWPC Financial Regulations (revised April 2021) state that there should be a duly delegated finance committee to approve payments over £300 and up to £5,000. It was proposed that AL, PV and CC should be on this committee. Proposed by HW, seconded by PV, agreed by all.</li> <li>• Finance report and current bank balance was accepted and approved as presented.</li> <li>• Invoices as noted on the finance report were approved for payment.</li> <li>• The letter from RCC indicating the dates when the CIL grant needed to be spent was noted.</li> <li>• SG to check that Biffa invoices were being received.</li> </ul>	<p>AL/CC PV</p> <p>SG</p> <p>SG</p>
030/23	<b>Correspondence received</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban design email re hierarchy settlement – deadline very short to respond, await outcome</li> <li>• RCC budget consultation email – respond individually and notify parish clerk of any comments to be submitted by EWPC. Note deadline for responses Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February.</li> </ul>	All
031/23	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-option policy approval – proposed by PV, seconded by CC, all approved.</li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May elections – each EW Parish Councillor to declare their intention to stand again according to the deadline (27<sup>th</sup> March).</li> <li>• Staveley Solar Farm invitation by Pilton to a meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> February – HW to check availability.</li> <li>• Tommy's Close playground – work to start on 27<sup>th</sup> February and take about 2 ½ weeks, with proposed opening mid-late March. The design that was approved in planning to be publicised on parish noticeboard as this is slightly different to the original plans (action Pete Shepherd).</li> <li>• Invitation to Ketton Cement – PV to attend.</li> </ul>	All  HW   PV
032/23	<b>Date of next Parish Council meeting</b>	
	27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023.	SG