



# EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

24 Coniston Road, Edith Weston LE15 8HP

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

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

**Visitors:** 1 member of the public was present

Agenda No		Action
081/23	<b>Apologies</b>	
	AL opened the meeting by thanking JS for steering the Parish Council in the role of Chair over the last year. It was resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Gale Waller (GW) and Tim Smith (TS)	
082/23	<b>Declarations of interest in items on the agenda</b>	
	None.	
083/23	<b>Public Open Forum</b>	
	There were no questions from the public.	
084/23	<b>Rutland Council Report</b>	
	In the absence of GW and TS, AL agreed to follow up on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorries parking on Welland Road</li> <li>• Alcohol licence for the kiosk on Rutland Water</li> </ul>	AL
085/23	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>	
	<b>Resolution:</b> Approved and to be signed as a true record.	PV
086/23	<b>Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JS to chase for a response to query about process for TPO and contact Andy Belson for advice.</li> <li>• It was agreed that JS would take a lead on improving communication and liaison with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ the Army</li> <li>○ CS Ellis transport</li> <li>○ Tommy's Close committee</li> <li>○ EW Church (via Hilary Fox)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• CC to contact the school re improved communication/liaison</li> </ul>	JS JS CC
087/23	<b>Update from the Army</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No update received and no Army representative in attendance.</li> </ul>	

088/23	<b>Update from DIO re the Officer's Mess proposals</b>	
	AL has informed Cascade of his appointment as Chair and requested a response to the questions sent to them last month. Cascade to attend June meeting providing they have responded in writing prior to the meeting. AL to liaise with GW re contact with Princes Foundation at this stage.	AL
089/23	<b>Forum Updates</b>	
	Parish Council Forum – PV had raised two issues (Fix My Street and Minerals Office post at RCC) to be discussed at this forum in July.	
090/23	<b>Neighbourhood Planning Committee (NPC) update</b>	
	Now in a holding phase awaiting feedback as to whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment and/or a Habitats Regulations Assessment is required. AL to contact Sharon Baker at RCC as to progress on screening.	AL
	AL to re-write Green Spaces document to go on website prior to Reg 14 stage.	AL
091/23	<b>Planning applications</b>	
	No planning applications had been received at the time the agenda was published but the following application had previous been circulated for a decision due to the deadline. <b>i. 2023/0474/PTA: T1 – Lime – Pollard at 10m to create a lower crown, T2 – Beech – Fell, T3 – 4 No. Lime Trees – pollarded at 10m to create a lower crown, T6 – Chestnut – Fell, T8 – Beech – 4m reduction and reduce back from neighbouring property and T9 – Chestnut – crown raised to 4m.</b> 33 Weston road, Edith Weston LE15 8HQ Deadline: passed 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 <b>Resolution:</b> no objection	
092/23	<b>Environmental Issues</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tommy's Close - Peter Shepherd (PS) gave feedback on progress to date: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– It was noted that disabled access via kissing gate from King Edward's Way isn't working. PS to write to RCC copying in AL and GW/TS but was also recommended to report on Fix My Street as a priority. PS to let EWPC know when this has been resolved.</li> <li>– Budgeted 5 grass cuts/annum by Biffa but this doesn't include the young child's play area. Recommended a quote is obtained from both Biffa and Dwayne Cloxton.</li> <li>– Multi-activity play centre has a major defect which requires attention, plus other minor defects to be addressed and reported back on otherwise the inspection is completed.</li> <li>– Problem with dogs off lead – proposed notices are put up, plus use village Facebook page and EWPC newsletter to remind dog owners.</li> <li>– Daily inspections of the area have to be made by Tommy's Close Trustees to fulfil insurance criteria. Insurance cover has been increased.</li> <li>– The Trustees of Tommy's Close had voted for closer working relationship with the Parish Council – JS to lead.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	PS PS PS     HW/PV    JS

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- EWPC had agreed to purchase a bench with some planting – SG to check minutes and liaise with JS</li> <li>- Payment of grant – safety issues to be resolved, signed off and report back to EWPC. EWPC will then pay against an invoice from a supplier as the VAT can be reclaimed. PS to organise. SG to let PS know name and address for invoice.</li> <li>● It had been advised that good practice was to review the list of trees with exiting TPO’s on an annual basis. SG to see whether map to TPO’s on RCC website can be printed.</li> <li>● Audit of village – agreed to do on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 2.00 pm</li> <li>● Road surfaces – there is funding in RCC to repair/replace road surfaces – proposed to request rumble strips at the entrances to the village. Enquire whether funding also available for flashing lights on Manton Road to indicate presence of school.</li> <li>● Speedwatch – HW has received also the information and training will take place week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> June. The Speedwatch will take place from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023.</li> <li>● Street lighting – no updates from RCC – SG to chase.</li> <li>● Road sweeping – completed.</li> <li>● Village entry gates – JS to get quotes for cleaning.</li> <li>● Verge parking – letter to go to resident confirming highways land therefore not parish council responsibility. Letter to be written to village hall committee reminding them to reinforce no parking on the grass.</li> <li>● Dog poo bins – these are emptied weekly by Biffa. The problem with King Edwards’s Way bin seems to be dog walkers not fully opening bin to dispose of litter.</li> <li>● Double yellow lines by Normanton car park – SG to chase a response.</li> <li>● Signs in the village – Anglian Water had agreed to pay for these. JS to let SG have information, SG to chase.</li> <li>● Meeting with Biffa: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grass cutting – all verges in the village are included but some residents had requested that their verge isn’t cut.</li> <li>- Weed killing – HW to contact RCC to request this</li> <li>- Public footpath opposite cemetery – has become overgrown and blocked by a hedge. Report overgrown vegetation on Fix My Street (Weston Road/Gibbets Lane/trees by school).</li> <li>- Tree in Tommy’s Close encroaching speed sign – write to ask them to cut it back.</li> <li>- Path edges – RCC to be contacted to see if these can be tidied up.</li> <li>- Copper Beech on corner of King Edward’s Way by church – write to resident to ask to cut back lower branches.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>SG</p> <p>PS/SG</p> <p>SG</p> <p>All</p> <p>HW</p> <p>SG</p> <p>JS</p> <p>SG</p> <p>SG</p> <p>JS/SG</p> <p>HW</p> <p>HW</p> <p>SG</p> <p>HW</p> <p>SG</p>
093/23	<b>Finance</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Finance report and current bank balance was accepted and approved as presented.</li> <li>● Invoices as noted on the finance report had been approved for payment by the Finance Committee and were noted by the Parish Council. An invoice from the LRALC in respect of annual subscription was approved for</li> </ul>	

