

EDINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting of the Parish Council
held on Monday 6th January 2025
7.30 pm, at Edingale Village Hall

Members present: Startin (Chair), Baughen, Cliffe, Maskery, Mason, and Sivieri.

Present: 3 members of the public.

1/25 To receive and approve Apologies

Cllr Meikle (illness) Clerk Mrs Jones and District Cllr Bennion (flooded roads).
The apologies were accepted.

2/25 To receive any Declarations of Interests

None received.

3/25 To approve the draft Minutes of the Meeting of 2nd December 2024

The draft Minutes were approved and would be signed at the next meeting.

4/25 To adjourn, to hold the public session, to reconvene the meeting

Village Hall Chair reports: Play equipment repairs - nothing further yet.

Insurance - it was confirmed the Parish Council would consider this in the budget later in the meeting but could not contribute to insurance from this year's budget.

Doors - discussed that the original £8000 requested was as much as the PC would be willing to contribute and the Trustees should get a quote excluding the fire doors. Any payment would be made direct by the Parish Council.

5/25 To receive the Clerk's Report

Chetwynd Bridge - vehicle observed exceeding limits, reported.

Bus stop sign - Harlaston Road sign still used and will be replaced.

Link-Up Dial a bus scheme - information put on website and Facebook.

Severn Trent - chased up regarding broken fence.

River gauges - chased up Sarah Edwards MP.

Out of control dog - resident reported; to publicise and consider signage. Clerk to post on Facebook reminding residents that all dogs must be kept under control, also remind them to clean up after their dog - share to Edingale Villagers page.

6/25 To consider any Planning matters

Parish Council's response to consultation on new Local Plan issues and objectives prepared by Cllr Mason and submitted.

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7/25 To consider Lease of Land off School Lane

Amended draft Lease and plan received and circulated, Solicitor to be consulted.

8/25 To consider a donation towards Village Hall doors

Chair of Village Hall working to obtain quotes for discussion at a future meeting.

9/25 To consider the draft budget for financial year 2025-6

Budget agreed with the following amendments;

RESOLVED - 4 votes not to pay for Seniors' Christmas meal, 1 vote in favour, Cllr Mason would like it noted that he abstained from the vote. This decision was made based on the fact that the Parish Council had increased the overall donation to the Village Hall by £2000 to benefit all residents.

Holy Trinity PCC would be contacted to explain that the Parish Council was reconfiguring the budget, and asked whether in view of the Church's recent legacies, would they be able to cover their own churchyard maintenance charges? A decision regarding this in the budget would be made at the next meeting after a response had been received.

10/25 To consider arrangements for training in CPR and use of the defibrillators

The Clerk would liaise with the trainer to agree a date in February and the date would be advertised on Facebook and in the Parish Magazine.

11/25 To receive Councillors' Reports and questions

Cllr Mason - Harlaston Road Tree scheme update: no information received about grants. He would nominate a day in January to plant out the first crop of trees after purchasing a pack from Woodland Trust and a stake kit, total cost £136. Larger fence posts to be obtained at a later date, possibly from future grant funding. Discussion of costs to be added to February Agenda.

Cllr Maskery - priority sign coming into village had blown around and was facing the wrong way; she would report to Highways.

12/25 To receive Correspondence

Staffordshire Parish Councils Association weekly bulletins; Training information, Railway 200 national event 2025

Lichfield District Council, Link-Up bus service

Kim Squires, Internal Auditor, confirming she is independent of the Council.

13/25 To receive a Financial Report

See appendix 1 below. RESOLVED to approve the report.

14/25 To approve payments on the Payment Schedule

Staff costs: salary, back pay, expenses, pension and PAYE, £546.80;

The Village Gardeners, Christmas tree installation £130;

Staffordshire County Council, website services and domain fee £132.95

RESOLVED to approve the payments. Cllr Maskery to authorise.

Date of next meeting

Monday 3rd February 2025, 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

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Appendix 1**Financial Report January 2025****(a) Bank Reconciliation**

		<u>Current</u>
Balance bf	9,904.94	Coop Bank
less payments	14,940.91	Community
		Acc.
Plus receipts	16,871.16	
Total	11,835.19	11,835.19

(b) Capital Funds**Capital Funds**

Cooperative	Buckinghamshire	TOTAL
14 Day account	Bond	CAPITAL
1.63%	3.08%	
10,853.43	53,383.14	64,236.57

Received interest

5.4.24	86.53
4.10.24	87.24
30.11.24	2,461.64

Re-investment of Buckinghamshire Bond completed on 30th November