



## ECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a virtual meeting of the ENP Implementation Committee held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 at 6.30 pm.

**Present:**

**Committee Members:** Cllrs Gillian Goodlad, Mary Hughes, James Field & Chris Yarnold.

Cllr T Knight and Clerk Lynne Yapp

### MINUTES

| ITEM      | MINUTE  | ACTION |
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| ENP 21/14 | <b>To Receive Apologies</b> - There were no apologies<br>It was recorded that Cllr Knight (a previous committee member) was in attendance   |        |
| ENP 21/15 | <b>Declarations of Interest</b> - none declared   |        |
| ENP 21/16 | <b>Minutes</b> of the ENP Implementation Committee Meeting held 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2021 had been circulated.   |        |
| ENP 21/17 | <b>Matters arising from minutes not arising elsewhere on the Agenda</b> -<br>None raised  |        |
| ENP 21/18 | <b>Public Participation</b> - No parishioners were in attendance.   |        |
| ENP 21/19 | <b>Pershore Road Development:</b><br><br><b>1. Meeting with Spitfire Homes:</b> Cllrs Goodlad, Hughes and Field had met with Spitfire Homes. It was reported that works have already commenced on Roman Meadow, with Pershore Road development to start in the very near future. The proposed, 6-week road closure (during the school summer holidays) is a major concern. We have been advised that it has to be a complete closure. It was agreed that we should go back to Spitfire and make them fully aware of the impact this would have on local businesses and for us to put pressure on WCC to minimise the length of closure. It was agreed that we would need to publicise the road closure to the community as soon as we had received official notification. A further meeting with Spitfire is to be scheduled and it was agreed that an improved timescale was necessary.<br><br><b>2. Cemetery Survey</b> – Cllr Hughes reported that she had been in contact with three companies and was awaiting quote. It was agreed that a full review of prices and policies is needed. Cllr Hughes and the clerk are to meet with the clerk at Pershore Town Council to see how they are getting on with one of the companies we have asked to quote.<br><br><b>3. Archaeological Survey:</b> Still awaited<br><br><b>4. Permission to use Entrance off New Road</b> – Communication had been received from the landowner to formalise an arrangement for a right of access off New Road onto the Community Land. It was suggested that the terms of any formal arrangement should be aligned with the permission already granted by the Parish Council to a resident for temporary use of a small area of the land with 3 months' notice. Furthermore, that we should check with Worcestershire County Council as to whether a formal, agricultural access would be feasible if |        |

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|              | there was ever a need to create one. It was further suggested that discussion should place with Spitfire to see if there was any leeway / flexibility regarding access to their compound at such time as we need to carry out land levelling. In the first instance Cllrs Goodlad and Field would arrange a site meeting with landowner  | GG      |
| ENP<br>21/20 | <p><b>New Homes Bonus Application:</b></p> <p><b>1. New Homes Bonus Grant</b> application to be considered by Wychavon District Council on 26<sup>th</sup> April. Cllr Goodlad and the clerk would be attending via Zoom. The clerk had been in contact with WDC to advise that we were in the process of agreeing a layout for use of the community land which will include the consideration of sports pitches at the community land in the future, and that we would like to be kept informed of any future grant funding opportunities.</p> <p><b>2. Summary results</b> – Cllr Yarnold summarised the results and outcomes of the recent survey carried out for the NHB application – a total of 105 responses were received. All replies supported the use of the NHB funds for the ‘levelling’ and no objections were received.</p> <p><b>3. Next steps</b> – It was agreed that we should feedback to parishioners the outcome of the application and to thank them for taking the time to respond to the survey.</p>  | GG / CY |
| ENP<br>21/21 | <p><b>Working Groups</b></p> <p><b>1. Design Planning Working Group – Update from Cllr Field</b> – Two meetings have been held. An initial ‘draft’ Master Plan has been drawn up taking into account the requirements of the s106 Agreement and the survey results, and which could also utilise the Rec. Suggestions put forward makes use of the levels already on the site and could possibly include a new community building with a café, to utilise the existing building to create studios / workshops and to extend the cemetery. The first ‘draft’ was well received by Cllrs and decisions would need to be made as to how to fund the project. Discussion took place on some aspects, maybe more provision of sports facilities and possible funding opportunities that could be tapped into. The working group would report back at the next meeting with a further iteration before discussion at full council.</p> <p>Jarvis Street was suggested as a possible location for wildlife pond.</p> <p><b>2. Communications and Resources Working Group – Update from Cllr Goodlad</b> – a meeting is scheduled for the end of April, to look at the strategy to keep parishioners informed.</p> |         |
| ENP<br>21/22 | <b>Jarvis Street Development and Next Steps</b> – Cllr Goodlad reported on a promising meeting with the church and school with regard the access, and good progress is being made.   |         |
| ENP<br>21/23 | <p><b>Confidential Business</b> - <i>To resolve to close the meeting via Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to discuss matters relating to any of legal / staffing / contractual issues that, if discussed in the public arena, would be prejudicial to the public interest, following which members of the public will be asked to withdraw:</i> - there were no members of the public in attendance</p> <p><b>Jarvis Street</b></p>  |         |
| ENP<br>21/24 | <b>Date of Next Meeting</b> – It was agreed that it would be a positive way forward for the Neighbourhood Plan Committee would be better reverting to a Working Group, with several smaller Working Groups feeding off. Whilst this was  |         |

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|  | considered to be a good idea, Cllr Knight advised that communication out to the community was vital, and needed to be improved greatly.<br><br>Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 6.30 pm |  |
|  | <b>The meeting closed at 8.30pm</b>  |  |