###### EDINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

###### DRAFT MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

### Meeting of the Parish Council

### held on Monday 8th April 2024

### 7.30 pm, at Edingale Village Hall

Members present:

Cllrs Startin(Chair), Baughen, Cliffe, Maskery, Mason, Meikle and Sivieri.

Present: Clerk, Mrs Jones, District Cllr Bennion, 2 members of the public.

## 50/24 To receive and approve Apologies

None

**51/24 To receive any Declarations of Interests** Cllr Mason declared an interest under item 64.

**52/24 To approve the draft Minutes of the Meeting of 4th March 2024** The draft Minutes were approved and signed.

**53/24 To adjourn, to hold the public session, to reconvene the meeting** Member of the public - debris near to Raddle Lane now cleared. She was thanked with her help with plants in the village.

Cllr Bennion asked for an update on the Flooding Summit. Cllrs Startin and Mason explained that the meeting had been useful, various issues had been raised and discussed between a range of organisations and it was hoped to hold a follow up. Sarah Edwards MP would hold a meeting in Edingale Village Hall on 20th April to hear concerns on local issues and on flooding. Details to follow.

**54/24 To receive the Clerk’s Report**

Youths on bikes - PCSOs spoke to those concerned, the problem seemed solved.

Dropped kerb request – added to Cllr White’s Divisional Highways Programme.

School field – PC to ask the contractor to mow it and to chase up County Council.

Severn Trent – no progress on a meeting, to contact them again.

Hedgehog highways – only 3 responses from the public, make further reminder.

SPCA Health and Well-being Officer - Social Progress Index, circulate response.

King’s portrait- free framed portrait to be ordered.

**55/24 To consider any Planning matters** (a)Oaklands Solar Farm – application referred to Planning Inspectorate. Discussion whether PC to object to loss of good agricultural land; RESOLVED not to object. (b) Information on Neighbourhood Plans circulated (course attended by Cllr Meikle) (c) Application at Dunnimere Farm, Harlaston. RESOLVED Edingale PC to object due to increased HGV traffic on local roads.

**56/24 To consider any actions regarding Best Kept Village Competition** Entry made in March. Cllr Meikle would encourage participation in tidying the village before judging, he would arrange a new notice board for the bus shelter and would put up children’s posters.

**57/24 To consider a Biodiversity Policy** RESOLVED to adopt the Policy.

**58/24 To review the Data Protection Policy** RESOLVED to approve the updated policy.

**59/24 To consider purchasing a flag to commemorate 80th anniversary of D-day** RESOLVED to purchase a large flag. Cllr Sivieri would liaise with the school on raising it and on speaking to the children about the anniversary.

**60/24 To receive an update on the Flooding Summit** This had been covered during the Public Session.

**61/24 To receive Councillors’ Reports** Cllr Cliffe - damaged roads. Cllr Maskery - update on Walton meeting about Catton festival traffic. Cllr Meikle – to chase up dog fouling cards, allotments - Clifton availability. Cllr Sivieri – parishioner concerns about precept rise – answered; gully cleaning frequency – Clerk will try to find this information. Cllr Mason – Harlaston trees, ongoing; Pessall Lane signs, to be put up soon.

**62/24 To receive Correspondence** Staffordshire Parish Councils Association weekly bulletins, information from Health and Well Being Officer; free Portrait of the King for Parish Councils Gallaghers – pre insurance questionnaire completed and returned Trent Rivers Trust – newsletter ; CPRE – news items Bloodstock Festival traffic information

**63/24 To receive a Financial Report**

End of year bank reconciliation £9904.94.

RESOLVED to approve the report. See appendix 1.

**64/234 To approve payments on the Payment Schedule.**

Staff costs: salary, expenses, pension and PAYE, £433.97;

Edingale Village Hall, annual room rental, 220.00;

Holy Trinity PCC, donation for churchyard maintenance £900;

A. Mason, reimburse posts and plant container £24.55;

The Village Gardeners, grounds maintenance £566.48;

CPRE membership £3

RESOLVED to approve the payments. Cllr Sivieri to authorise.

**65/24 Date of next meeting**

TUESDAY 7th May 2024, Annual Parish Meeting 7.30 pm (Representatives from Mary Howard School, Holy Trinity Church and Village Hall to report). Annual Meeting of the Parish Council 8 pm.

Meeting closed at 9 pm.

