

EDINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 30th March 2026 7.30pm, at Edingale Village Hall

Members present: Cllrs Baughen, Cliffe, Layland, Mason, Meikle and Startin (Chairman).

Present: 1 Member of the Public, Cllr Bennion, Mrs Pritchard (Clerk).

057/26 To receive and approve Apologies . Apologies received from Cllr L. Maskery.

058/26 To receive any Declarations of Interests. None.

059/26 To approve the draft Minutes of the Meeting of 2nd March 2026. It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2nd March 2026, having been circulated, be confirmed, and signed as a correct record.

060/26 To adjourn the meeting, to hold the public session (15 minutes), to reconvene the meeting. None.

061/26 To receive County and District Councillor Reports. Cllr Bennion advised there is no update on Norton Heath and the local plan. Fencing work has begun for the Mease Valley Pipeline works. LGR consultation closed 26th March.

062/26 To receive the Clerk's Report. The clerk report was NOTED.

063/26 To consider any Planning matters. None.

064/26 To consider quotes for a replacement noticeboard. The Council RESOLVED to defer to the May meeting.

065/26 To consider a history board. The Council RESOLVED to defer to a future meeting.

066/26 To consider the Holy Trinity Church grant application. The Council RESOLVED to not approve the donation of £4,000 due to the fact that the request is 20% of the total precept and the request was not received in time to be considered in the budget for 2026/27. Future consideration may be given if a grant request is provided nearer to the budget review in November. **ACTION:** Clerk to draft a response for the Council to consider.

067/26 To consider the insurance renewal quotes. The Council RESOLVED to approve an Insurance quote.

068/26 To consider the quote for tree work. The Council RESOLVED to approve the quote upon further information being provided. **ACTION:** Clerk to circulate the tree work list.

069/26 To consider the entry cost for the Best Kept Village Competition 2026. The Council RESOLVED to approve the £35 payment for the Best Kept Village competition. **ACTION:** Clerk to set up the payment.

070/26 To review the Biodiversity Policy. The Council RESOLVED to approve the Biodiversity Policy.

071/26 To review the Health and Safety Policy. The Council RESOLVED to approve the Health & Safety policy. **ACTION:** Clerk to contact SPCA for written confirmation of health & safety measures for contractors.

072/26 To receive Councillors' Reports and questions.

- Keys to noticeboard
- Neighbourhood Governance Pack
- Staffordshire County Council – Update on flood resilience measures for Edingale
- Chairmanship & training

073/26 To receive Correspondence. The Correspondence was noted.

074/26 To approve payments on the April Payment Schedule. The Council RESOLVED to approve payments. Cllr to approve. Staff costs: salary, expenses, pension, PAYE £427.92; Scribe: Finance Software, £28.80; Microsoft, 365, £8.49; CPRE (DD) £3; The Village Gardeners: Grounds Maintenance, £925.84; Staffordshire Parish Council Association, Annual Subscription, £291.37; Holy Trinity Churchyard, Donation, £900; Npower, Christmas Illuminations, £26.83; £35, Community Foundation for Staffordshire & Shropshire, BKVC entry fee.

075/26 To confirm date of next meeting (Tuesday 5th May 2026). Date NOTED. Annual Assembly of the Parish meeting 7pm & Annual Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:02pm.

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