EDINGALE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES
Meeting of the Parish Council
held on Monday 2nd November 2026
7.30pm, at Edingale Village Hall

Members present: Cllrs Baughen, Cliffe, Layland, Maskery, Mason (Chairman), Meikle, Startin (Vice-Chairman).

Present: 1 Member of the Public, guest 0, Mrs Pritchard (Clerk).

167/26 To receive and approve Apologies. Apologies received from Cllr Bennion. The Council RESOLVED to accept the apologies.

168/26 To receive any Declarations of Interests. None received.

169/26 To approve the draft minutes of the Meeting of 5th October 2026. It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 5th October 2026, having been circulated, be confirmed, and signed as a correct record.

170/26 To adjourn the meeting, to hold the public session (15 minutes), to reconvene the meeting.

Mease Meadow Farm has kindly offered to donate the village Christmas tree and arrangements are being made for it to be delivered to the village.

A request was made for the Parish Council to publish a social media post, and an item in the *Mease Valley News*, reminding residents that public access to the Mease Meadows forestry area is permissive and that all dogs must be kept on a lead. The importance of protecting the nature reserve and its wildlife, including foxes, muntjac deer and nesting birds was highlighted. It was emphasised that dogs running off lead can disturb wildlife and damage sensitive habitats. Users are to be advised that, should this continue, permissive access to the site may be withdrawn in the future.

171/26 To receive County and District Councillor Reports. None received.

172/26 To receive the Clerk's Report. The Clerks report was noted.

173/26 To consider any Planning matters.

26/00869/LBC The Firs, Croxall Road, Edingale Planning Decision – GRANTED 19.10.26

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174/26 To consider visibility issues on Hatchett Lane. The Council RESOLVED to purchase a visibility mirror up to the cost of £150.00. **ACTION:** Clerk to arrange the purchase.

175/26 To consider the Draft Budget 2027/28. The Council RESOLVED to defer to the December meeting as more information is required.

176/26 To consider ratifying earmarked reserves. The Council RESOLVED to ratify the earmarked reserves.

177/26 To consider Blakeways hedge cutting. The Council RESOLVED to spend £140 on the cutting of the Blakeways hedge.

178/26 To consider adopting the Dealing With Abusive, Persistent or Vexatious Complaints and Complainants Policy. The Council RESOLVED to adopt the policy.

179/26 To receive Councillors' Reports and questions.

- Pessall Lane parking
- Best Kept Village Competition comments
- Fibre optic cable installed around the village
- Atlas – connectivity update
- New noticeboard has been delivered
- Remembrance Service
- Update on the Village Hall
- Consider a swap between the CPRE and Support Staffordshire subscription in 2027/28 budget

180/26 To receive Correspondence. The correspondence was NOTED.

181/26 To approve the October Bank Reconciliation. It was RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation.

182/26 To note the Q2 budget monitoring report. The report was NOTED.

183/26 To approve payments on the November Payment Schedule. Staff Costs: salary, expenses, pension, PAYE £506.89; Scribe: finance software (DD) £28.80; Microsoft 365: Software £8.49; CPRE (DD) £3; The Village Gardeners, Grounds Maintenance October £685.84; Cllr Meikle: Refreshments for parish network meeting £11.90; Cloud Next Ltd: Domain £60; Cloud Next Ltd: Website Hosting £59.98; Staffordshire County Council: Website Hosting £137.99. RESOLVED to approve the payments. Cllr Startin to authorise.

184/26 To confirm date of next meeting. Monday 7th December 2026.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20:50pm.

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