



# EDITH WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

24 Coniston Road, Edith Weston LE15 8HP

## Minutes of the meeting of the Edith Weston Parish Council (EWPC) held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023 in Edith Weston Village Hall

**In Attendance:** Andrew Lunn (AL) (Chair), Joseph Akak (JA), Helen Wood (HW), Charlotte Cave (CC), Juliet Stuttard (JS), Peter Vickers (PV), Emily Roden (ER), Sara Glover (SG) Clerk

**Visitors:** 3 members of the public were present

Agenda No		Action
163/23	<b>Apologies</b>	
	It was resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Gale Waller (GW) and Tim Smith (TS).	
164/23	<b>Declarations of interest in items on the agenda</b>	
	None	
165/23	<b>Public Open Forum</b>	
	There were no questions from the floor.	
166/23	<b>Rutland Council Report</b>	
	<p>GW had sent an email update to AL in respect of a meeting that had been held with the DIO as follows regarding the Officer's Mess site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The DIO believe they have responded to the Enquiry by Design process undertaken in December 2022 in respect of the Officer's Mess and that the proposal will attract existing villagers onto the site.</li> <li>• 85 new houses need to be built to make the site viable; it is not financially viable to convert any existing buildings.</li> <li>• They acknowledged that the pond shown at the bottom of the site is there for water attenuation rather than open space for residents.</li> <li>• The commercial space would only be built if there was interest from a retailer prepared to pay commercial rent.</li> </ul> <p>Regarding SGB Main Site:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The DIO recognise that they will only be able to deliver a maximum of 500 houses and wish to work with RCC on this proposal.</li> <li>• They would consider solar panels, developing woodland or leaving the minerals area as it is.</li> <li>• They would consider employment uses for the remainder of the site but RCC make it clear that warehousing or lorry storage provisions were not</li> </ul>	

	<p>an option and that high level employment was required e.g. a science park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2026 is still the proposal year for closure of SGB.</li> </ul> <p>The RCC Local Plan would be going out for consultation on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 for eight weeks (until 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024). It was proposed that EWPC hold an Extraordinary Meeting at 6.00pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December open to the public with this as the sole focus. The purpose of this meeting would be to summarise the main points for villagers, present these at the meeting and then ask villagers to both review the consultation document themselves and respond via the form to RCC.</p> <p>It was suggested by a member of the public that Hannah Barter be asked to look at the RCC Local Plan in relation to it's impact on Edith Weston village – AL to speak with HB.</p>	<p>SG</p> <p>AL</p>
167/23	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023</b>	
	<b>Resolution:</b> Approved and to be signed as a true record with a minor correction to the date of the next meeting.	AL
168/23	<b>Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The recent MoD newsletter posted to the village was raised – AL has responded in a personal capacity making comment on the content. EWPC felt that there would be no benefit in taking up the DIO/Cascade's offer to meet with them.</li> <li>• No decision had yet been released in respect of the appeal for the land on Normanton Road.</li> </ul>	
169/23	<b>Update from the Army</b>	
	<p>A reminder to be sent to both North Luffenham and Edith Weston villagers in respect of not walking their dogs on the base when the flags are raised following a recent incident. HW to post on Facebook, PV to include in next newsletter, SG to put on EWPC website.</p> <p>JM to let HW have poster in respect of the Rutland Festival of Remembrance to be held in the Officer's Mess on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.</p>	
170/23	<b>Forum Updates</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parish Liaison meeting 18/10/23 – HW had attended with the main topic being the RCC Local Plan. The following points were noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the number of houses stated for the Officer's Mess in RCC Local Plan was 90, as opposed to 85 in the Outline Planning Application and 51 as the indicative number provided by RCC in response to the EW draft neighbourhood plan and 21 in the Housing Needs Assessment.</li> <li>– there is a 'reserve' development site on Pennine Drive in case the OM does not go ahead.</li> <li>– SGB will not be in the RCC Local Plan – this will be the subject of a separate document.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Future Parish Liaison meetings – 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (JS &amp; CC to attend), 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024 (representation to be agreed).</li> <li>• LRALC Change in Articles – AL had returned the proxy voting form on behalf of EWPC.</li> <li>• LRALC AGM 15/11 – no necessary to send representation.</li> </ul>	PV

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes of SLCC – for note only. PV noted that there were grants available for tree planting – SG to explore further.</li> <li>SLCC Christmas lunch – no-one able to attend.</li> <li>Rutland Climate Change Network membership – new group, different from RCC Climate Action Group which had not yet met. SG to find out what is happening with the latter group prior to deciding whether EWPC needs to be represented on the RCCN.</li> </ul>	SG
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171/23	<b>Neighbourhood Planning Committee (NPC) update</b>	
	<p>19 responses had been received – 10 from statutory bodies, 9 from the village including one from AL. AL has liaised with Hannah Barter in respect of responses received from RCC and Montagu Evans (on behalf of the DIO). NPC meeting shortly to review all feedback received and develop draft responses. The document will then be circulated and brought back to the EWPC at the November meeting for formal approval (required prior to moving to Reg 16 phase).</p> <p>RCC Local Plan – AL will overview this when it is released and delegate to Parish Councillors sections to review in detail in preparation for a presentation to the village at the Extraordinary meeting to be held in December.</p>	AL
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172/23	<b>Planning applications</b>	
	<p>i. <b>2023/1038/CAT: T1 – Fell 1 no.</b>  <b>Site:</b> The Coach House 18 Weston Road Edith Weston Rutland LE15 8HQ  <b>Deadline:</b> passed but feedback provided before deadline.  <b>Resolution:</b> Support</p> <p>ii. <b>2023/1111/MAF: T1 – Conversion of property into factory producing furniture.</b>  <b>Site:</b> Pheasant’s Roost, Manton  <b>Deadline:</b> passed but feedback provided before deadline.  <b>Resolution:</b> Object</p> <p>iii. <b>2023/1014/TLP: The proposed installation of a 20m monopole supporting 6 no antennas and 2 no 300mm dishes together with 2 no ground based cabinets and ancillary development thereto.</b>  <b>Site:</b> Land Off Whitwell Road Empingham Rutland  <b>Deadline:</b> 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023  <b>Resolution:</b> Object on basis of proximity to children’s playground and main thoroughfare, within a ‘beauty spot’, site access and availability of other options for siting the monopole which would be less intrusive.</p>	SG
173/23	<b>Environmental Issues</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noticeboard – AL to measure for accurate quote.</li> <li>Street lighting – awaiting response from RCC.</li> <li>Reported sewage overflow following heavy rain – AL to write to Anglian Water to support representations already made by home owners.</li> <li>Bulbs – it was agreed to plant more bulbs within the village – JS to co-ordinate and obtain quote.</li> </ul>	AL
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		JS

**Appendix 1**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Village Christmas tree outside Village Hall – agreed to purchase a Christmas tree again this year. Other locations were discussed but the lights require an accessible source of power. HW to co-ordinate and obtain a quote.</li> </ul>	HW
174/23	<b>Finance</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finance report and current bank balance was accepted and approved as presented.</li> <li>Invoices as noted on the finance report had been approved for payment by the Finance Committee and were noted by the Parish Council.</li> <li>The draft budget was circulated – to be reviewed by AL. It was agreed to see what advice LRLAC issued in respect of the precept for 2024/5.</li> </ul>	AL
175/23	<b>Correspondence received by the Clerk</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Items on the agenda had been circulated by email for information only.</li> <li>It was noted that the Policy and Crime Commissioner was visiting Edith Weston on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 2pm and would be in the Village Shop Coffee Cabin. Any questions/comments to be given to HW.</li> </ul>	
176/23	<b>EWPC Risk Assessment</b>	
	It was resolved to approve the EWPC Risk Assessment as circulated.	
177/23	<b>Any other business</b>	
	None raised.	
178/23	<b>Date of next Parish Council meeting</b>	
	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.15pm in Edith Weston Village Hall.	SG
	The date of the first meeting in January 2024 to be changed to Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January at 7.15pm in Edith Weston Village Hall.	All