

EDLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 12th November 2024 commencing 730pm at Thrunton Fishery

Those Present: Cllr C Blythe (Chairman), Cllr T Drummond, Cllr J Herdman, Cllr Robson, Cllr F Manners, Cllr D Waldren, Cllr G Herdman

In Attendance: C Miller (Clerk)

2024/48 Apologies for Absence
Cllr N Hargreaves, Cllr A Hall, W Pattison (County Cllr)

2024/49 Declaration of Interests
There were no Declaration of Interests.

2024/50 Minutes of previous meeting held Tuesday 13th August 2024

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the minutes of the previous meeting held Tuesday 12th August 2024 were a true record.

2024/51 Problems due to off road vehicles within the parish
Problems continuing in parts of the parish. Land owners could request BOATS are shut off during the Winter.

2024/52 County Cllr Update
Following changes confirmed via the boundary review, with Edlingham to be moved to the Wooler ward, the prospective incoming County Cllr is planning to attend the February Parish Council meeting. Further safety measures to be implemented at Moorhouse Crossroads. Cllr C Blythe had attended resident site meeting, with possible measures discussed. Hedging to be trimmed and white lining scheduled 25/11/24. Flooding at Edlingham Church a long running issue with pipe installed across the road to direct flow of water away from the Church. Drainage all the way down the hill would be costly and need requested via the Local Transport Plan. NCC flood Officer felt the problem was on private land and a floodgate should be installed. County Cllr may be able to assist with funding towards a floodgate. Cllr C Blythe had attended site with landowner. Manhole had been checked, outfall pipe half full, pipe under road does not have the capacity. Drain down village an open ditch. Cllr C Blythe advised there is a cheaper engineering solution. Meeting with Flood Officer to be arranged.

2024/53 Planning

2024/53/01 Planning Applications received

- 24/03469/FUL: Land to West of Wandystead, Edlingham – Proposed development of forestry traffic and residential traffic roads to provide safe exit onto A697 – Parish Council objection to the proposals had been submitted.

2024/53/02 Planning Application withdrawn

- 24/02140/FUL: Access Track to Wandysteads, Edlingham – proposed development of forestry traffic and residential traffic roads to provide safe exit onto the A697.

2024/54 Finance

2024/54/01 Members are asked to approve the following payments

There were no payments to approve.

2024/54/02 Members are asked to approve budget requirements 2025-2026

RESOLVED:

Members approved the budget for 2025-2026.

2024/54/03 Members are asked to approve precept requirements 2024-2025

Parish Council had been asked to fund towards possible floodgate. Members agreed this was not feasible. The disbanded Edlingham Community Association were to pass their funds of £18,000 to the Church community, which would be ringfenced for use within Edlingham parish.

RESOLVED:

Members approved the precept for 2025-2026, to be retained at the current level of £700.

2024/54/04 Members to consider request for grant from Friends of Whittingham & Bolton Chapel Burial Grounds.

Costs specific to Bolton Churchyard were £1400/annum, with Contractor paid £200/month from April to October.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed not to grant funds.

2024/54/05 Members to consider request for grant from Wag & Company, North East Friendship Dogs

Wag & Company were an organisation who provided friendship dogs to the elderly in their own homes, hospitals and care settings.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed not to grant funds.

2024/54/06 NJC Pay scales. Members to note pay increase of £1290/annum (full-time hours), payable from 1st April 2024

Members noted the NJC payscale increase from 1st April 2024.

2024/55 Road maintenance

Some potholes had been attended to.

2024/56 Edlingham Community Association; Flooding at Church

Discussed earlier.

2024/57 Grit bins within the parish

G Bucknall advised 14/8/24 that grit bins would be checked and refilled.

2024/58 Verge cutting/ragwort within the parish

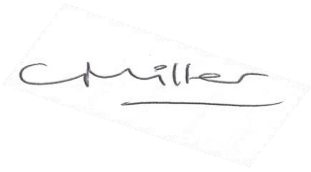
B Hodgson advised 14/8/24 there had been a poor start to verge cutting due to procurement issues. Ragwort is addressed if on council owned land or verges.

2024/59 Urgent Business/Items for Next Meeting

Overnight parking signage at church had disappeared, resident had reported this via Fix My Street.

2024/60 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Edlingham Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 4th February 2025 at 730pm.

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Claire Miller, Parish Clerk
The meeting closed at 830pm

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