

Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum.

Minutes from Management Committee Meeting held on 15.07.19 at the Community Centre.

Attendees: - Chairman Ian Lord; Deputy Chairman Paul Williams; Richard Lester; Treasurer Margaret Filkins; Paul Bradburn; Mark Whitehead; David Rawcliffe & Secretary Alan Ashworth.

Apologies: Richard Bishop & Mervyn MacDonald.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Management Committee Meeting and then proceeded with the agenda items as follows:-

- 1) **Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting dated 14.05.19.** The Chairman asked if all present had reviewed the minutes and agreed they were an accurate record of the meeting. A vote was taken; they were unanimously accepted with no objections and then duly signed.
- 2) **Draft Local Plan.** The Chairman confirmed that in view of the delay involved in arranging this meeting he had forwarded a progress update to all the Members of the Management Committee on the 4th June. He asked if anyone had any queries relating to the update but none were raised. He advised we were expecting to receive our "matters; issues and questions" in the next few days and we will have six weeks to respond. The Examination itself is still set to start on the 23rd September.
He confirmed we are on course to have our documents prepared for submission to the Inspectorate and these would be validated by our Consultants.
The Committee were also updated with respect to our Highway Study and advised a report was expected by the end of July.
There was then some discussion in raising the profile of ECNF during the next few weeks, it was agreed awareness Posters would be prepared and delivered to all homes on the Main Roads. Additionally, for more general display purposes two banners would be purchased based on the similar theme to the Poster's, "Saving of the Green Belt ". The Team will also run a promotion on the various Social Media sites.
- 3) **Neighbourhood Plan.** The Chairman confirmed we had received the Grants from Locality and Rossendale Borough Council. He advised the Consultants were now making progress with the Plan and confirmed a Pre-Consultation Meeting has been arranged with RBC for the 30th July. Additionally, we are targeting to hold a Village Residents Consultation in early August followed by one with the other Stakeholders involved. Notification of the Consultations will be sent to all homes and businesses in the Neighbourhood Area and contact will be made with the other Stakeholders providing a minimum of fourteen days notice to everyone.
The Chairman confirmed we should receive a draft of the Design Codes which have been prepared by Aecom later this week. The Chairman also referred to the recent publication in the Free Press by the Scribbler with respect to Neighbourhood Plans and confirmed that our response had been published.
- 4) **Treasurer's Report.** The Treasurer reported there were sufficient funds to cover current commitments and we were continuing to receive some regular donations. The Chairman presented two invoices from Troy for payment approval, the first for £450 and the second for £1320, both inclusive of VAT. The payment approval was unanimous.
- 5) **Fund Raising :-**

- a) **Fund Raising Events.** Unfortunately the Village Fete had to be cancelled due to the adverse weather which was a great disappointment in terms of raising funds and our inability to consult with Village Residents.
 - b) **Coffee Morning.** A Coffee morning is being planned by Mrs B. Lord and Mrs J. Mead for mid August in the Community Centre and they are looking at ways to make it more of a family occasion.
 - c) The Fund Raising committee are continuing to consider other suggestions raised at the recent AGM including a Horse Racing Night.
 - d) **Donations.** The chairman will contact the people who have made regular Term Payments which have now ended to ascertain if they will renew for a further period.
- 6) **Newsletter.** The Newsletter proposed for August will now be delayed until October / November in view of the various notices relating to the Inspectorates Examination and the Consultations taking place over the next two months.
- 7) **Website/Social Media.** The Chairman will attempt to put together a weekly update for our Social Media activities to assist the Team with their presentations. The recent articles regarding Taylor Wimpey's drilling etc created a high level of interest and we need to try to maintain and build on this.
- 8) **Edenfield Play Area Consultation.** The Chairman updated us with respect to this project and the involvement of EVRA & Proffitt's . It was agreed we would support EVRA with this as and when required.
- 9) **Action List.** We reviewed the Action list; it will now be updated and circulated with the Minutes.
- 10) **Date of Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be held immediately prior to the Village Residents Consultation during the first week of August. Details to be confirmed asap.
- 11) **Any Other Business.**
- a) **Sportsmen's Dinner proposal from one of the Village Residents.** This was discussed but not supported on the grounds of recent similar Local Events having to be cancelled due to lack of support. The Events Team consider the most successful events to be family orientated.

Signed.......... Chairman. Date.....3/2/19.....