

## Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum

### **Minutes from Management Committee Meeting held on 24th February 2025 at Edenfield Community Centre**

**Committee attendees:** - Mervyn MacDonald (Chair); Helen McVey (Deputy Chair); Vincent Brady (Treasurer); Ian Lord (Secretary); Paul Bradburn; Margaret Filkins; Richard Lester

**Co-opted attendees:** none

#### **1) Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Richard Bishop

#### **2) Minutes of the Management Committee meeting dated 13/1/25**

Mervyn asked if all present at that meeting had reviewed the minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously accepted with no objections and then duly signed.

#### **3) Matters arising from 13/1/25 meeting**

There were no matters arising not covered by agenda items.

#### **4) Treasurers report**

Vince reported that donations received since the last meeting were £510 and there had been no expenditure. The current balance is £4,257.

#### **5) Neighbourhood Plan**

The referendum had taken place the previous week. There had been a good turnout of 38.7% of the 1,675 eligible voters. 620 had voted in favour, 28 against and 1 rejected. The Plan will now go to the Council for adoption.

A number of questions relating to the Plan had been posted by residents on social media so it was agreed that an "explanations sheet" be prepared and posted on the website, social media and the village website and be available at the forthcoming AGM. It was also agreed to include a "questions" item on the agenda for the AGM.

It is the responsibility of the Forum to monitor the Plan once it has been adopted. It was agreed that the Secretary would monitor Rossendale planning applications and bring to the attention of the Management Committee any relating to the Edenfield Neighbourhood Area. The Committee will review these for compliance with the Plan. To facilitate this Neighbourhood Plan monitoring would be a permanent item on Committee agendas. Changes in planning legislation, national policy and local plan policy are also to be monitored for anything that may necessitate amendments to the Plan.

#### **6) H66 development**

A representation had been submitted on the revised Northstone planning application and one was being prepared on the Taylor Wimpey revised application. Copies of both will be posted on the website in due course.

There had been no further information received concerning the convening of the Visioning Board.

There had been some progress on the issue of the Masterplan being subject to satisfactory consultation responses but it was still ongoing. We will continue to liaise with the Council's planning department.

Actions were agreed to follow up on other outstanding matters.

#### **7) Planning application – former Mayfield Chicks site. 2024/0404**

Nothing further to report.

#### **8) Scout Moor Wind Farm II**

Cubico who are the wind farm developers had offered a meeting to discuss the proposals. A meeting is being arranged which will also include representatives of the Edenfield Village Residents Association.

### 9) Application for Battery Energy Storage System

There is a proposal (2025/002) by Cubico to build this off Rochdale Road but outside Edenfield. It will also be discussed at the forthcoming meeting with Cubico.

#### 10) Non-designated heritage assets

Representations had been submitted in respect of the consultation on the Draft Rossendale Local List of Non-Designated Heritage Assets. This included suggesting additions, deletions and changes to descriptions.

## 11) Communications/PR

The only actions relate to the Neighbourhood Plan which were covered in item 5.

**12) Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm at the Community Centre.

### 13) Annual General meeting

The date is Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7.45pm in the Community Centre. All present agreed to stand for re-election at the AGM.

#### 14) Any Other Business

None

Signed

**Chair,**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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