

## **Edington Local Development Plan – Amenities & Facilities Group Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting:-** No 1                      Date:- 22/11/2016                      Time:- 19:30

**Attendees:-** Anne Tottingham, Liz Pike, Martin Killian, John Barlow

**Apologies:-** Lise Griffiths

### **Agenda Items**

#### **Introductions**

John introduced himself to the group. The other members already knew each other.

#### **Review key issues from previous full meeting**

##### **Village Hall too small and Community hall that can host slightly larger activities:**

Accessibility is poor and its limited to about fifty people, and is currently owned by the church.

Might be an option to move the table tennis table into the hall for young people to use.

It's unlikely we would get a purpose built hall near the pub as it had been suggested in the past.

It was felt to be adequate for most occasions, and there was always the option to use Bratton village hall for larger functions.

No further action proposed.

##### **Keep church toilets open for all visitors:**

The church is normally willing to open the toilets if requested. Previous village events have been access to the car park and toilets.

No further action proposed

##### **Guided tours:**

Robin Wilson has done this in the past for the benefit of the villagers, but is unwell now. These were usually centred on the church. Not sure who would be willing to do this now, or if it fits with this group's brief.

No further action proposed.

##### **Shop and Pub sustainment/Keep shop and pub open:**

Make more use of current events (e.g. Tuesday 'Drop In').

We need to know what's planned so we can have input into the planning process. There are 'Meet & Greet' meetings in place which can be used for this.

Encourage their management to provide initiatives for villagers to use them more, like the recent new menus providing meals at more affordable prices.

It is believed that the shop is to be modified to hold functions over two floors.

It was agreed that we must work with their management to make these viable for the village in the long term.

See 'Identify key tasks' for agreed actions.

**Extend Playpark further & Teenage clubs/Workshops :**

Facilities for teenagers are poor.

Could the playground space be used more effectively to provide better facilities for teenagers and older villagers too.

Need to canvas teenagers and older villagers too find out what they would like to see in the playpark.

See 'Identify key tasks' for agreed actions.

**Support the good things we have – pub, brewery, shop & TVM:**

Pub and shop already covered above.

TVM events are well supported at the village hall.

The Post Office wasn't listed in the issues from the main meeting. This is also a valuable and much used facility that we need to support in the future. We should discuss its future with Pauline Dorgan, who currently owns and runs this.

See 'Identify key tasks' for agreed actions.

**Steady bus service required (safe place for mobility scooters to be left near bus stop):**

Not really an Amenities/Facilities issue, should be referred to Transport Group.

**Identify key tasks (Allocated group actions \*):**

**Village Hall:**

Support activities of Village Hall volunteers.

**Shop and Pub:**

Liaise with them and support their activities.

Martin and Anne to attend meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> December (\*)

Work with shop and pub management to make them work for us.

John will talk to Pauline Dorgan about the future of the Post Office (\*).

**Playpark & further Teenage clubs:**

All group members to canvas teenagers and older villagers regarding any requirements to make better use of this facility (\*).

Anne to find out more about Youth Club facilities in Bratton (\*).

**Outline time frame:**

Group members to report back on actions taken at next group meeting end of January 2017.

**Next Meeting:**

At Martin's house on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 10:00 AM.

**AOB:**

Social Well Being group is to be amalgamated with this group. Lise Griffiths will be joining our group, and we will be covering issues for this group also at future meetings.