



ESSENDON PARISH COUNCIL

**Chair:** Mike Brown, 54 High Road, Essendon, Hertfordshire, AL9 6AP.

Tel: 01707 269062

**Clerk:** Nerine Chalmers, Village Hall, School Lane, Essendon, Hertfordshire, AL9 6HD. Tel: 07535803529

**To Councillors Mike Brown, Ian Venables, Keith Venables, Fran Christensen, Rex Jones, Tracey Willetts**

You are summoned to attend the following meeting:

**Essendon Parish Council**

**DATE: Tuesday 4 May 2021**

**TIME: 7.10pm, via video conferencing**

Members of the public are also invited to join this meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83882991083>

Meeting ID: 838 8299 1083

To join the call via telephone: dial 0203 481 5237 or 0203 481 5240 or 0203 901 7895,  
followed by the Meeting ID: 837 5931 1237 #

Please contact the Clerk for more information, if required.

**AGENDA**

- 21/31 Apologies**  
To receive and accept apologies for absence
- 21/32 Interests**  
To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
- 21/33 Minutes**  
To confirm the Minutes of Essendon Parish Council held on 8 March 2021 as an accurate record of proceedings
- 21/34 Matters arising**
- 21/35 Public Issues**  
Members of the public and councillors can raise matters of concern
- 21/36 To receive updates on:**
- a) No further action or response to any of the following items:
  - 21/26 a) Entrance to Spinney Development Ref number 401001679413.
  - 21/26 b) Poor quality roadworks at the bottom of Essendon Hill
  - 21/26 c) Blocked tunnel under the road at the bottom of Cum Cum hill
  - 21/26 d) Drains on West End Lane

*Email: [essendonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:essendonparishcouncil@gmail.com)*

**21/37 Planning**

- a) Notification received and considered for planning applications between 5 March 2021 and 23 April 2021

**21/38 Finance**

- a) To authorise payments made in accordance with the budget
- b) Online banking with Barclays - pending
- c) Transfer of funds to the Hall Replacement Fund - dependent on online banking arrangements
- d) Roof of Village Hall
- e) 2020 – 2021 accounts submitted to Internal Auditor

**21/39 Correspondence**

- a) ACV on the Rose & Crown
- b) Parking Services - the new restrictions will begin on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021, and lines will be painted in 50mm primrose to ensure it fits with the conservation area. Parking enforcement officers will patrol from that date, and a 6-month monitoring period will apply to Essendon in case of any unintended consequences from the parking restrictions.
- c) Request from Countryside and Rights of Way for information on path surfaces, stiles, gates, steps and signage damaged by extra use during lockdown, combined with bad weather. A project to repair these is to be launched. If possible, a plan and photos should be included.
- d) Playground annual inspection will take place in May 2021
- e) Armed Forces Day 2021 - Celebrations begin on 21 June when the Armed Forces Day flag is raised at buildings across the country with Reserves Day and Armed Forces Day celebrated on 23 June and 26 June respectively. Any planned events should be registered on the Armed Forces Day website
- f) There is a call for evidence from the Department of Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS) on improving broadband connectivity in rural and remote areas of the UK. In addition, DCMS would also like to receive information on both the known benefits of broadband services and the current barriers to deployment and take-up. Views and experiences of consumers' broadband are invited via an online survey. The consultation closes at 11:45pm on 11 June 2021
- g) Request from a resident for repairs to Footpath 5 – referred to Dawn Grocock from HCC Countryside and Rights of Way
- h) Request from a resident re gate to cricket field – referred to Cricket Club
- i) Request from a resident re access to the village tennis courts – referred to the Tennis Club
- j) Notification from a resident that there has been no progress on the drains on West End Lane

**21/40 Next Essendon Parish Council Meetings:**

June 14

July 12

September 13