

EASTOFT PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
13 MAY 2024 AT 7:30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

Public Forum 7.30-7.45pm. Any members of the public attending the meeting may be given (at the chairman's discretion) a combined 15-minute time slot to address councillors on any items of concern or interest. After this period the public are welcome to stay for the full parish council meeting but CANNOT speak nor offer advice/opinion on any matter. This public participation is NOT part of the parish council meeting and as such there are no rights to record this part of the meeting in any way.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 7.30-7.45. All welcome. No member of the public was present.

Councillors present Cllr R.Burke (Chair), Cllr E.Yorke, Cllr M.Everatt, Cllr H.Fillingham, Cllr P.Fillingham, Cllr J.Bramhill, Cllr A.Woodhouse, Cllr T.Moody.

Ward Councillor J.Reed.

1/2424 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies

2/22425 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The parish councils (Model Code of Conduct Order 2011). To record any declarations of interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda). Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3/2425 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13 March in the Village Hall had previously been circulated and the Chair will sign these as a true and accurate record.

4/2425 BANK ACCOUNTS

As at 30 April 2024:

Current Account: £12,151.95

Business Money Manager: £802.78

Payments Due:

D.Lane Stationery£4.49

D.Lane April Salary £84.00

D.Lane April Working From Home Allowance £26.00

D.Lane Adobe Acrobat Monthly Charge £19.97

CWC Ltd April Grass Cutting £716.40

5/2425 CHANGE OF BANKING PROVIDER

The Clerk advised that the switch to Unity Trust will take place once payment to cover grass cutting costs had been received from North Lincs Council and should be completed by the next meeting.

6/2425 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS, INTERNAL AUDIT & AGAR

6.1 Internal Auditor Report for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2024

The Clerk presented this to the Council and reported that there were no issues.

6.2 Certificate of Exemption. The Clerk presented this to the Council. It was approved unanimously.

6.3 Annual Governance & Accountability Report 2023/24

The Clerk read out the Annual Governance Statement to the Council.

Acceptance was approved unanimously and signed by the Chair and Clerk.

6.4 Accounting Statement. The Clerk presented this to the Council. It was approved unanimously and signed by the Chair and Clerk.

6.5 Certificate of Exemption. The Clerk explained that this is sent to the External Auditors, PFK Littlejohn, as Eastoft Parish Council doesn't have a gross income or expenditure that exceeds £25,000.

6.6 Annual Accounts

Councillors had been provided with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2024 and these were accepted unanimously. The Accounts will be published on the Council website and the Public Exercise of Rights will be published on the Council website and displayed on the noticeboard. Ward Cllr J.Reed enquired whether the Council owned any land or items that needed adding to the Register of Assets. The Clerk is to investigate and report back at the July meeting.

7/2425 CORRESPONDENCE

Email from SSE Thermal re next steps for the Keadby Hydrogen Power Station.

Email from Geoff Atkinson confirming that he will be relinquishing his role as co-ordinator of the Speedwatch Group at the end of October.

Letter for NLC Planning Dep't advising that Application No. PA/2023/1539 had been refused.

Email from NLC Place Planning Team re Gypsy and Traveller Site Consultation.

NALC New Model Financial Regulations 2024/25.

Email from SSE Thermal re development of a new Community Investment Fund.

Email from NLC Grants Team re guidelines for applications.

Ward Cllr J.Reed asked the Clerk whether any correspondence had been received re Planning Application No. PA/2024/343. The Clerk advised that nothing had been received as yet.

8/2425 NEW ISSUES

8.1 Cllr A.Woodhouse informed the Council that he had been approached by residents on High Street re speeding vehicles. He proposed that the Council consider installing the cameras being trialled by Humberside Police in Bubwith.

The Clerk stated that he had received a communication from Co-ordinator, PC Wayne Goodwin saying that they are trialling two cameras for twelve months to gauge the level of extra staffing the processing will require. Until they have the results of this trial, no applications will be sought or approved. Councillors agreed to wait for the results before coming to any decision. Cllr E.Yorke asked the Clerk to put this information on the Council Facebook page.

8.2 The Clerk had received a quote for the Council's Annual Insurance renewal which has an increase of 7%. Acceptance was proposed by Cllr E.Yorke, seconded by

Cllr P.Fillingham and carried unanimously.

8.3 There is to be a By-Election on 6 June 2024 to fill the vacancy formerly held by the late Cllr J.Briggs.

9/2425 ONGOING ISSUES

9.1 Accumulation of wood on High Street property. The owner of the property has informed the Clerk that he will be removing this over the next few months.

9.2 Untidy property on Crowle Road. The owner has made some improvement of late.

10/2425 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

The purchase of new benches for the Village Green

12/2425 DONM

8 July 2024 at 7:30pm.

At the close of the meeting Ward Cllr J.Reed thanked Councillors for their support and advised that she can be contacted re any issue at all times.

The Chair proposed a vote of thanks to the Clerk for his work preparing the Annual Accounts and AGAR and throughout the year.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.32pm.

Signed

Cllr R.Burke, Chair

