

# **EASTOFT PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 12 MAY 2025 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

One member of the public was present.

Councillors present Cllr E.Yorke (Chair),  
Cllr M.Everatt, (Vice-Chair), Cllr H.Fillingham, Cllr P.Fillingham, Cllr J.Bramhill,  
Cllr A.Woodhouse, NLC Ward Cllr J.Reed.

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13 January 2025 had been circulated to Councillors. They were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

## **1/2526 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr T.Moody and NLC Cllr I.Bint.

## **2/2526 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.

## **3/2526 BANK ACCOUNTS**

Current Account £9330.89

Deposit Account £817.99

The Clerk distributed details of transactions that had taken place since the previous meeting of the Council and advised that the Precept for 2025/26 (£6500.00) and the VAT claim from HMRC (£3092.84) had been received.

## **4/2526 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2024-2025, INTERNAL AUDIT & AGAR**

i. Annual Accounts, Councillors had been provided with a Statement of Accounts and all pertaining details for the year ending 31 March 2025. 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.

- ii. Internal Auditor Report for the Financial Year ended 31 March 2025. The Clerk presented this to the Council and reported that there were no issues.
- iii. Annual Governance & Accountability Report 2023/24. The Clerk presented out the Annual Governance Statement to the Council. Acceptance was approved unanimously and signed by the Chair and Clerk.
- iv. Accounting Statements. The Clerk presented this to the Council. It was approved unanimously and signed by the Chair and Clerk.  
The Clerk reported that as the Council's income and expenditure for 2024/24 had exceeded £25,000.00 the Accounts were not exempt from External Audit and all relevant Documents will be sent to PKF Littlejohn for this to be carried out. Once the External Audit has been completed, if everything is in order, they will issue a Report and Certificate of Completion.

#### **5/2526 CORRESPONDENCE**

- i. Annual Insurance Policy Renewal Quotation from A.J.Gallagher. This was accepted unanimously.
- ii. Letter from Hinkley and Rugby Building Society outlining their accounts.
- iii. Details of SSE Community Investment Fund for 2025/26.
- iv. Letter from Eastoft Garden and Craft Club.
- v. Email from Ellerker Parish Council re their Neighbourhood Plan.
- vi. Email from a resident containing concerns re possible changes to a business use of land bordering their property.

#### **6/2526 WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Cllr J.Reed reported on changes following Mayoral and Council elections for Greater Lincolnshire. Cllr J.Bramhill asked if NLC will a proportion of the Mayor's budget will be allocated to North Lincolnshire and Cll J.Reed advised that it would be.

North Lincolnshire Council's AGM will take place on 16 May and Cabinet responsibilities will be decided.

At present there are no new updates re the Carbon Capture Plan.

#### **7/2526 PLANNING**

NLC's Planning Dep't have sent notification that the application from Countryside Services (Lincs) Ltd to carry out work on the Village Green oak tree had been approved and this has now been completed.

#### **8/2526 ONGOING ISSUES**

- i. No update re registration of Village Green and Washinghall Lane Pond Site with the Land Registry.
- ii. The current situation with ECWA had been given in the preceding Annual Parish Meeting.
- iii. The proposed Traffic Order for extra parking restrictions on the junction of Yorkshire and High Street are scheduled for this financial year.
- iv. A quotation for insurance premiums to cover a Bonfire and Firework Display has been received. As this refers to the proposal put forward by Cllr T.Moody Councillors deferred discussion on this until the July meeting when he will be present.

### **9/2526 NEW ISSUES**

- i. The condition of the three benches on the Village Green/Washinghall Lane Pond Site has deteriorated and they are now beyond viable repair. Councillors requested that the Clerk obtain quotes for suitable replacements and apply for SSE funding to cover costs.**
- ii. Residents on Washinghall Lane are concerned over possible environmental health issues at a property. Cllr J.Reed is to request that NLC's Environmental Health Dep't investigate.**
- iii. M&R Everatt had donated funds to purchase a "Tommy the Unknown Soldier" memorial for the village which was on display for the first time at the "VE 80" event held on 11 May. Councillors expressed their thanks and agreed that it should be kept in the Village Hall in between Remembrance Day and other suitable events. Cllr P.Fillingham is to look at fixing methods at the War Memorial.**

### **10/2526 DONM**

**Monday 14 July 2025 commencing at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.**

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:02pm.**

**Signed**

**E.Yorke  
Chair**