

EASTOFT PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 14 JULY 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 H.Fillingham, Cllr P.Fillingham,
Cllr A.Woodhouse, Cllr T.Moody, NLC Ward Cllr J.Reed.**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 May 2025 had been circulated to Councillors. They were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

**11/2526 APOLOGIES
Apologies were received from Cllr M.Everatt.**

**12/2526 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.**

**13/2526 HEALTH REPORT FROM CLERK & RFO
The Clerk advised that there had been a rapid deterioration in his eyesight due to Macular Degeneration. In view of this he felt that he would have to stand down within 2-4 months, depending on how the condition affects his ability to carry out his role. Councillors agreed that the Clerk should begin the process of advertising for a replacement.**

**14/2526BANK ACCOUNTS
Current Account £5528.71
£1475.00 (NLC's first contribution towards grass cutting costs) had been advised but not yet credited to the account.
Deposit Account £820.23**

Payments made since the Agenda was published

£741.60-CWC Ltd. June grass cutting.

£19.97-Adobe Acrobat monthly charge.

There had been a problem with dual authorisation of payments had with Unity Trust Bank following recent changes to signatories, but it had been resolved promptly and hadn't caused any issues.

15/2526 SSE MICROGRANT.

Two applications had been received.

i. Mrs E.Hill applying for £250.00 towards the cost of materials required to produce a drift of knitted and crocheted poppies. It's proposed that this is used at the War Memorial for Remembrance Day and other suitable events. A motion that the grant be made was proposed by Cllr E.Yorke, seconded by Cllr P.Fillingham, was carried unanimously.

ii. Mr L.Fry-Pidd applying for £300.00 to be used towards Village Hall hire costs, the purchase of rosettes, awards and prizes at this year's Eastoft Produce Show. Cllr P.Fillingham proposed that the grant be made, seconded by Cllr H. Fillingham. The motion was carried unanimously.

16/2526 CORRESPONDENCE

i. Confirmation from A.J.Gallagher Ltd that the Council's Employer's Liability and Public Liability insurance policies for 2025/26 had been renewed as from 1/06/2025.

ii. Confirmation of receipt of AGAR documents and 2024/25 accounts from External Auditors PFK Littlejohn.

iii. Email from ERNLLCA re a survey being carried out researching the Health & Wellbeing of Local Council Clerks in England.

iv. Letter from HSBC advising a reduction in interest rates.

v. Notification from East Riding of Yorkshire Council of the adoption of the Local Plan Update-Providing Open Space on New Housing Developments (SPD).

vi. Update from NLC re Local Plan consultation.

17/2526 WARD COUNCILLOR UPDATE

i. Cllr J.Reed gave details of her Cabinet Roles following the May elections. Consultation is ongoing re Local Government Reform.

ii. There are to be free swimming sessions and other activities for children at the Pods during school summer holidays.

iii. The Household Support Fund will again provide Winter Fuel Payments to residents who meet the criteria and the Air Fryer/Slow Cooker Scheme is to continue. Suitable winter clothing is to be provided for children in cases of need.

iv. A new Assistant Director of Education has been appointed.

v. Additional SEND funding is to be made available to schools.

18/2526 PLANNING

Application Ref: PA/2025/828-Leam Farm Eastoft, Change of Building Use To determine if prior approval is required to change from Agricultural Use to Storage Facilities.

Councillors expressed concern as to what is to be stored. The Clerk is to register these concerns with NLC's Planning Dep't.

19/2526 ONGOING ISSUES

i. Council Owned Land. Nothing to report on progress with Land Registry.

ii. Double Yellow Lines-High Street/Yorkshireside Junction. The Clerk reported that these were now in situ. There had been some Social Media activity but it had now ceased.

iii. Howard's Yard Development. An update had been received from Wroot Homes and the Clerk had forwarded it to Councillors on 31/05/25.

iv. Proposal re Village Firework Event. The Clerk gave out details of the insurance quote received. Councillors discussed all options and Cllr T.Woodhouse proposed that it was not a viable proposition at the present time. This was seconded by Cllr H.Willingham and was approved with a unanimous vote.

v. ECWA Update. There are three possible candidates for new Trustees, Ward Cllr J.Reed, Cllr E.Yorke and Mr L.Fry-Pidd. Existing Trustee Mr M.Walsh is prepared to continue. The AGM is being held on 28/08/25 and an update will be given at the Council's September meeting.

There is to be a new sign at the Play Area.

vi. Replacement Benches. Two quotes had been received.

Cllr T Woodhouse proposed that in total, five three seater benches be purchased, seconded by Cllr H.Fillingam and carried unanimously.

Ward Cllr J.Reed is going to obtain a third quote and apply for a 90% grant from SSE.

vii. Policy Reviews.. These are ongoing. Ward Cllr J.Reed will send templates.

viii. Safeguarding Designated Person. At present this is the Clerk. Item to be included on September Agenda.

20/2526 MEW ISSUES

i. Councillor's Email Addresses. The Clerk advised that VisionICT Ltd can provide .org.uk addresses at £15.00 p.a. each. No decision on future action was taken.

ii. Grant to St Bartholomew's Parish Church. This is to be made an agenda item for the Council's September meeting.

21/2526 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

i. Safeguarding Designated Person.

ii. Grant to St Bartholomew's Church.

iii. Traffic and parking on Washinghall Lane.

22/2526 DONM

Monday 8 September 2025 commencing at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:33pm.

