

# **EASTOFT PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON  
MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 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, Cllr T.Moody, NLC Ward Cllr J.Reed.**

**The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 July 2025 had been circulated to Councillors. They were approved and duly signed by the Chair.**

## **. ii23/2526 APOLOGIES**

**Apologies were received from NLC Ward Cllr I.Bint.**

## **24/2526 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.**

**The Clerk advised that there was an additional Agenda item; External Auditor's AGAR Report.**

#### **25/2526 BANK ACCOUNTS**

Current Account as at 15 September 2025-£5268.97

Payments made since 31 August 2025

Clerk Salary-£126.10

Clerk Working From Home Allowance-£26.00

CWC Ltd-£732.00

Adobe Systems Ltd-£19.97

Deposit Account as at 31 August 2025-£844.43

#### **26/2526 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S AGAR REPORT**

The Clerk advised that the ASGAR Report and Certificate of Completion had been received from the External Auditor and would be posted on the Website and Notice Board.

#### **27/2526 CORRESPONDENCE**

- i. Updated guidance on the SSE Microgrant together with revised information and forms.
- ii. Notice of upcoming works being carried out by Yorkshire Water.
- iii. Enquiry re burial/scattering of ashes in the Churchyard. This has been referred to the Churchwarden who deals with such matters.

#### **28/2526 WARD COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

Cllr J. Reed reported as following:

- i. The grant application for replacement benches had been submitted and is scheduled for a decision at a meeting to be held on 16 September.
- ii. There is a Public Consultation taking place on whether a larger all encompassing Lincolnshire Council should replace the existing bodies.
- iii. Safer Swimming Sessions and the Summer Reading Scheme organised by NLC have been very successful.
- iv. The Airfryer/Slow Cooker/Single Cup Kettle scheme is running again.
- v. Help towards the cost of School Uniforms is available.

#### **29/2526 DESIGNATED PERSONS-SAFEGUARDING**

Cllr E. Yorke Proposed Cllr M. Everatt for the position of Designated Person and Cllr T. Moody as Deputy. This was seconded by Cllr J. Bramhill and approved unanimously.

### **30/2526 DONATION TO St. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH**

In past years the Parish Council has donated towards the upkeep of the Churchyard. Councillors agreed unanimously that this year the amount should be £100. The Clerk is to contact the Churchwardens to arrange payment.

### **31/2526 PARKING ISSUES-WASHINGHALL LANE**

Cars parked by staff and visitors at the Children's Residential Unit are causing problems on a regular basis. Ward Cllr J.Reed had brought a quantity of "Parking on the Highway" Leaflets which will be trialed.

### **32/2526 PLANNING**

There were no Planning Applications or issues.

### **33/2526 ONGOING ISSUES**

- i. Council Owned Land. No progress to report.
- ii. Recruitment of new Clerk and RFO. One application has been received. The Clerk has met with the applicant and Cllr E, York will do so very soon.
- iii. Grant Application-Replacement Benches. See Ward Councillor Update.
- iv. ECWA. The current Chair and Secretary have stepped down. It's planned to appoint new Officers at the next committee meeting.
- v. Policy Reviews. These are ongoing.

### **34/2526 NEW ISSUES**

- i. A "Woman at War" statue has been donated to the village by Sue and Keith Hill. This compliments "Tommy the Unknown Soldier" and will be displayed at the War Memorial on suitable occasions.
- ii. Remembrance Day events. The Clerk is to contact Ian Bishop for details.
- iii. Carols Around the Tree, As Harrisons Ltd has now closed and the land sold, it's not certain what will happen this year. The Clerk will check with Ian Bishop.
- iv. Cllrs Helen and Paul Fillingham advised that they were moving to Crowle and were therefore retiring from the Parish Council. Cllr E.Yorke thanked them both for their valued contribution and said that they would be much missed in the village.
- v. Cllr A. Woodhouse advised that his health is deteriorating but he will continue as long as possible.

### **35/2526 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

No items were put forward.

### **36/2526 DONM**

Monday 10 November 2025 commencing at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

**David Lane**  
**Clerk & RFO**