

Earith Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 6th February 2025

Present – Councillors

Mr Steve Edwards (Chair)
 Ms Hazel Lambert
 Mr Nev Clements
 Mr Jeff Nicholls
 Mr Keith Hudson

Miss Ann Brennan (Vice Chair)
 Mrs Paula Brown
 Mr Nick Tindall
 Mr Allan Till
 Mr Michael Barbour

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County Councillor – None

Mandy Pink – Chief Executive

District Councillor - Mr Jon Neish, Mr Paul Hodgson-Jones

Item 168 Apologies for absence – County Cllr Mr Steve Criswell, Mr Alan Spackman

Open Meeting

Item 169 Open Forum – None

Item 170 Ecops Report – No report

Item 171 County Council and District Council Reports

County Council – No Report.

District Council – Cllr Neish will chase up the Darford Car Park. There is currently a senior management restructuring taking place within the District Council.

Cllr Hodgson-Jones reported that there is still no update on the local government review, but the County Council elections will still take place in May.

(Close open Meeting) (Open closed section of Meeting)

Item 172 Code of Conduct – Dispensation received, and decisions granted – None.

Item 173 Councillors declaration of interest – The Chair drew the Councillors attention to the legal requirement that all interests should be declared following the Code of Conduct Localism Act 2011 c7. s27(3)(b). – None

Item 174 To agree minutes of Parish Council meeting held on – 9th January 2025.

Mr Keith Hudson proposed, and Mr Nev Clements seconded that the minutes are agreed.

Resolved - All in favour by those that attended the meeting.

Item 175 Planning - Application Reference – 25/00121/S73 - 37 High Street – Variation of condition 2.

Mrs Paula Brown proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the Parish Council have no objections to this application. **Resolved** - All in favour.

Planning - Application Reference – 25/00158/HHFUL – 9 Meadow Way – Erection of first floor extension to dwelling.

Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mr Nev Clements seconded that the Parish Council have no objections to this application. **Resolved** - All in favour.

Planning - Application Reference – 25/00131/HHFUL – 59 Greenfields – Proposed erection of part two storey/part single storey side and rear extension including demolition of existing single storey garage and store.

Mr Nick Tindall proposed, and Mr Michael Barbour seconded that the Parish Council have no objections to this application. **Resolved** - All in favour.

Item 176 Parish Council Representatives Report –

Road Safety – Cllr Nicholls has emailed the Minutes.

Allotments – See item 182.

Rights of Way – Cllr Lambert reported that the Ouse Valley Way Management Group want to work with the Environment Agency and the County Council to improve and manage the whole route. There is to be a WOW (Walk the Ouse Valley Way) Walk on 20th July 2025.

Recreation Field and Play Equipment – Cllr Brown has been offered four pieces of adult outdoor exercise equipment for the Recreation Field free of charge and she will work with the Chief Executive to arrange installation. There may be some cost involved in re-siting the equipment and delivery costs.

Village Pond – Cllr Lambert reported that, following the tree work to some Silver Birch trees in the Pond area, damage to grass has been reported by a homeowner. The Council will re-seed the grassed area.

Health and Safety – No report.

Brice Aggregates update – No report.

Skeeles update – No report.

Village Car Parks – No report.

- Item 177 Trees and hedges to report for action to be taken and updates on visits already made** – A resident has reported overgrown hedges in St Marys and Cllrs Brennan and Nicholls will see if they can make contact with the homeowners. The Chief Executive will also report this on the County Council online fault reporting tool.
- Item 178 Drains, Roads, and Pavements – including advisory notes re car parking – reports for action to be taken** – Cllr Clements reported that there are some parking issues in Orchard Crescent and Edwards Walk. Cllr Tindall reported that parking on Chapel Road is also an issue with one car parking on the road facing the wrong way. The Chief Executive will log these reports and pass them to the Civil Parking Enforcement Team.
- Item 179 January 2026 meeting date change to be discussed – Proposed date 8th January 2026** – The Chief Executive asked the Council to consider moving the meeting date in January 2026 to the second Thursday to avoid working issues during the festive season.
Mr Nick Tindall proposed, and Mr Jeff Nicholls seconded that the date should be changed.
Resolved – All in favour.
- Item 180 County Council Consultation – Local Validation List – To be noted** – Item noted by the Council.
- Item 181 Village Hall update** – The Chair gave a brief update on the latest planning application for demolition of the Hall.
- Item 182 Allotment plot costing review** – The Chief Executive asked the Council to consider the cost for the smaller garden plots that the Council will be offering residents moving forwards. A trial is currently in place to offer some smaller plots for Earith residents that just want a small piece of land for growing kitchen essentials. The Council agreed that the cost would be £5.00 per year as this will help to cover the administration cost of letting the plots. The Council have asked the Chief Executive to table a complete review of the allotment site to include costs and use to be reviewed later in the year. There are currently a lot of plots that are classed as wet and cannot be rented out so a new purpose for these plots will be looked into.
Miss Ann Brennan proposed, and Mr Steve Edwards seconded that the cost should be £5.00 per annum to cover the cost of administration involved in letting the plots.
Resolved – All in favour.
- Item 183 Finance** – a) Payments to sign off.
b) Online Salary payments for February to be made as standard.
c) Chair to sign bank statement.
- a) Miss Ann Brennan proposed, and Mr Keith Hudson seconded that the payments should be signed off.
Resolved – All in favour.
- b) Online salary payments for February to be made as standard.
Mr Jeff Nicholls proposed, and Mr Michael Barbour seconded that the payments should be made.
Resolved – All in favour.
- c) Bank statement signed by Chair.

Payee	Description		£	Chq	Powers
Mrs K M Pink	Salaries	1614.00			LGHA1989,s.7
	Expenses	25.00			LGA 1963, s.5
		total less tax	1473.52	online	
Mrs C Shook	PC Staff Member buildings & maintenance	106.08			LGA 1972,s.133
		total less tax	101.88	online	
Inland Revenue	PAYE January 2025		291.26	online	LGA 1972,s.112-119
Giff Gaff	PC mobile monthly sim		10.00	dcard	LGA 1972, s.133
Garden Tamer	Parish Handyman		280.00	online	LGA1953,s.4
Earith Town Estate	Rental of Meeting Room		11.00	online	LGHA 1972,s.133
Post Office Service	Postage costs re Land Registration		10.60	dcard	LGA 1972, s.226
Sutton Tree Services	Tree work at pond		1020.00	online	PHA 1936, s.260
Viking	Stationary		89.94	online	LGA 1972, s.133
Shred Station	Confidential shredding GDPR		60.00	Debit Card	LGA 1972, s.133
SLCC & ALCC	Membership Renewal		240.00	online	LGA 1972, s.143
Hunts DC	Commercial Waste Collection Rec		21.67	DD	Litter Act 1983,ss.5,6
Hunts DC	Commercial Waste Collection V Hall		10.83	DD	Litter Act 1983,ss.5,6
EDF	Electricity General Estate		60.08	DD	PHA 1936, s.260
	Total spend for January 2025		3,680.78		

Mrs Mandy Pink – Chief Executive 07724 666703
These minutes are adopted

email: clerk@earith-pc.gov.uk
Meeting closed at 8.47pm

Meeting Dates 2025
6th March
3rd April

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Date of Notice – 1st March 2025