

Earith Parish Council

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

Present – Councillors

Mr Steve Edwards (Chair)
Mr Nev Clements
Mr Keith Hudson
Mr Michael Barbour
Mrs Paula Brown
Mr Alan Till

Miss Ann Brennan (Vice Chair),
Mr Jeff Nicholls
Mr Nick Tindall
Ms Hazel Lambert
Mr Alan Spackman

DC Mr Paul Hodgson-Jones

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Mandy Pink – Chief Executive

Item 113 Apologies for absence – CC Charlotte Lowe, DC Mr Jon Neish

Item 114 Open Forum – No resident comments made.

Item 115 Ecops Report – No Report

Item 116 County Council and District Council Reports

County Council – No Report.

District Council – DC Mr Paul Hodgson-Jones reported that road maintenance is scheduled for various roads within St Ives. The Draft Local Plan Consultation is now open. The Local Government Review option for Huntingdonshire is still to be decided but Option E will be the favoured option being considered for submission. All options must be submitted to the Secretary of State by the end of November.

(Close open Meeting)

(Open closed section of Meeting)

Item 117 Code of Conduct – Dispensation received, and decisions granted – None.

Item 118 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). – Cllr Nev Clements declared an interest in Agenda item 124.

Item 119 To agree minutes of Parish Council meeting held on – 2nd October 2025.

Mr Nev Clements proposed, and Mr Michael Barbour seconded that the minutes are agreed.

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

Item 120 Planning - Application 25/02021/HHFUL - 1 Cooks Drove - Single storey rear extension, following demolition of existing extension - First floor front and rear dormer extensions.

Mr Alan Spackman proposed, and Mr Nick Tindall seconded that the application is recommended for acceptance with no comments.

Resolved – All in favour.

Planning - Application 25/02017/HHFUL - 52 Greenfields - Single storey side and rear extension - conversion of existing carport to extend garage and new pitched roof to existing garage.

Mr Alan Spackman proposed, and Mr Nev Clements seconded that the application is recommended for acceptance with no comments.

Resolved – All in favour.

Item 121 Parish Council Representatives Report –

Road Safety – No report. Next meeting in two weeks.

Allotments – Cllr Spackman asked the CEO to arrange to advertise the garden plots in the Earith Echo.

Rights of Way (RoW's) – No report.

Recreation Field and Play Equipment – No report.

Village Pond – No report.

Health and Safety – No report.

Brice Aggregates update – No report.

Skeeles update – Cllr Tindall reported that a poster is being prepared to advertise the grants.

Village Car Parks – The CEO informed the Council that a resident has raised maintenance issues with Chapel Road car park.

Item 122 Trees and hedges to report for action to be taken and updates on visits already made – Cllr Tindall reported that, following his online fault reporting regarding overgrown trees in Greenfields, work is scheduled to sites near no.s 19 and 63 Greenfields, but the other sites do not yet meet maintenance criteria. The Chair will report issues with hedges and vegetation encroaching onto the path at 123 High Street.

Item 123 Drains, Roads, and Pavements – including advisory notes re car parking – reports for action to be taken – No new reports. Drains in the High Street have been cleared.

- Item 124 Proposal for Duck Housing at Pond - Cllr Nev Clements** – Cllr Clements reported that a duck house has been donated to the Council from a resident and has been installed in the duck feeding area to the back of the site. Thanks are to be given to the resident for the donation. Thanks are also given to the installation team led by Cllr Brown.
- Item 125 Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) - Phase 2 Public Engagement Survey - Update email sent to Councillors FYI** – email noted by Council.
- Item 126 Local Plan Consultation dates for your information 5 November to 17 December 2025** – Noted by Council.
- Item 127 Village Hall update** - The CEO informed the Council that works to disconnect the Water and Electricity are scheduled for the 18th and 19th November. Adjacent residents have been informed. The streetlights have already been removed. The De-Fib machine has been removed and is awaiting reinstatement at the Pond. Tree work has been agreed with the tree surgeon. All works are as the project plan at this present time.
- Item 128 Precept tabled for consideration in December** – The CEO tabled the draft precept to Council, and this will be discussed in December. Minor change except for cost-of-living increases.
- Item 129 Finance** –
- a) Payments to sign off.
 - b) Online Salary payments for November to be made as standard.
 - c) Chair to sign bank statement.
- a) The Chief Executive asked the Council to consider payment of one late invoice
Mr Keith Hudson proposed, and Mr Nev Clements seconded that the payments should be signed off including the late invoice agreed by Mr Jeff Nicholls and Mr Michael Barbour.
Resolved – All in favour.
- b) Online salary payments for November to be made as standard.
Mrs Paula Brown proposed, and Mr Jeff Nicholls seconded that the payments should be made.
Resolved – All in favour.
- c) Bank statement signed by Chair.

Remembrance Service dates and times reiterated to Council for information and action if needed.

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>Chq</u>	<u>Powers</u>
Mrs K M Pink	Salaries	1690.00			LGHA1989,s.7
	Expenses	25.00			LGA 1963, s.5
		total less tax	1510.24	online	
Mrs C Shook	PC Staff Member buildings & maintenance	109.52			LGA 1972,s.133
		total less tax	94.32	online	
Inland Revenue	PAYE October 2025		385.91	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
MC Garden Maintenance	Grass Cutting		900.00	online	OSA 1906, s.10
Peters Electrical Services	Electrical work at the VH		150.00	online	LGHA 1972,s.133
Sparkx	Electrical work at the VH Streetlights		2760.00	online	LGHA 1972,s.133
Earith Town Estate	Rental of Meeting Room		22.00	online	LGHA 1972,s.133
EBC RBL	Donation to Local British Legion		75.00	online	LGA 1972, s.137
Illumin8 Training Ltd	Provision of Christmas Lights		180.00	online	LGA 1972, S.137
Cambridge Acre	Membership Renewal		72.00	online	LGA 1972, s.143
CPRE	Membership Renewal		36.00	online	LGA 1972, s.143
Viking	Stationary		107.58	online	LGA 1972, s.133
Collier Turf	Village Maintenance		70.97	dcard	OSA 1906, s.10
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		55.06	DD	PHA 1936, s.260
	Total spend for October 2025		6,741.58		

Mrs Mandy Pink – Chief Executive 07724 666 703
These minutes are adopted

email: clerk@earith-pc.gov.uk
Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Meeting Dates 2025
4th December

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Date of Notice – 29th November 2025