

Edwinstowe Parish Council

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Parish Clerk - Alice Dunn



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9th July 2025 at 7.00pm in the Council Chambers, Village Hall, Mansfield Road, Edwinstowe. Public and Press welcome to attend.

Present: Cllrs Parkin, J Peck, Brooks (Arrived at 7.45pm), K Peck, Troop and Watkinson

Apologies: Cllrs Ayre, Callieu, Freeman, Peacock

2 Members of the Public

MINUTES

25/042 Welcome by the Chair

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

25/043 Receive Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Reasons were approved

25/044 Disclosures of Interests by Members

None

25/045 Approve Minutes of the Full Council Meetings held on Wednesday 11th June 2025 – previously circulated

Minutes were approved and signed by the Chair

25/046 Matters Arising – not on the agenda

At the June meeting, C/Cllr Gamble stated that if Edwinstowe Parish Council applied for a grant from his divisional fund, it was a requirement to scrutinise our accounts before issuing a grant. Cllr J Peck would like to know if this is a requirement for all Parish Councils in Nottinghamshire or just Edwinstowe and whether it also extends to community groups and organisations.

25/047 Report from County Councillor (5 minutes)

C/Cllr Gamble was not in attendance and had submitted a report: -
I had a tour of the Thoresby Vale development and discussed items such as the Forest School, Employment Zone, Engine House, Country Park etc.
Met with the NCC flood prevention officer to discuss flooding in Edwinstowe
I have reported several issues to Highways which we are working on
I've met with members of Active Travel in Edwinstowe
Met with several residents individually in Edwinstowe on Casework

Cllr J Peck expressed dismay that the cabinet member responsible for Highways could not give any satisfactory reason for the improvements to Ollerton

roundabout and when questioned in interview he said he hadn't got a clue as to the reasons.

25/048 Report from District Councillors

District Councillors were attending a meeting at N&SDC concerning the Local Government Reorganisation.

D/Cllr Brooks submitted a written report concerning the proposed development on Mansfield Road which will be discussed at the August Planning Meeting in Newark. Details can be found on the NSDC website.

25/049 Public Participation. Standing Orders will be suspended for the duration of this agenda item (15 minutes) – commenced 1909hrs

Resident reported that there needs to be better communication with residents concerning updates of projects undertaken by the Parish Council.

The Chair responded that the Parish Council has an open-door policy and the Clerk can be contacted either by phone, email or face-to-face.

If residents would like a response to a question at the Parish Council meeting, they can submit a question no less than 3 days before the meeting

Resident thanked the Parish Council for their hard work.

25/050 To receive questions from councillors (10 minutes)

Cllr Troop requested that a wind-up radio is purchased for the Flood Resilience Equipment. **Clerk to purchase**

25/051 To receive draft minutes and reports from committees, sub-committees and working groups.

i. Meeting with RSPB – verbal

This was a long overdue meeting facilitated by the Parish Council between RSPB, local residents and the Parish Council.

BACKGROUND – there has been evidence of widespread misunderstanding of the actions of RSPB leading to, often unfair, criticism and the sharing of damaging misinformation.

The topics discussed were: -

Major Oak

Veteranisation

Seymour Grove/Brash Barriers

Ticks

Car Parking

Pedestrian Crossing

Access for Less Able Visitors

Naturism

Robin Hood

All parties were committed to regular meetings, no less than 4 per year and to form a Communications Working Group. **Clerk to contact**

relevant parties.

ii. Cemetery Working Group – verbal

Thanks to Jason, the Cemetery Groundskeeper for all his hard work – the cemetery looks fantastic.

Benches – looking a lot better with only a couple in need of attention.

Clerk to contact relatives

Headstones – some are leaning. These are the responsibility of relatives.
Clerk to contact relatives

Cemetery Barrier – the RSPB have requested more volunteers to lock the gate. **Contact RSPB if interested**

- iii. Mansfield Road Toilets Working Group – verbal
The Clerk and Chair are putting a paper together with options for the next meeting.
There is a desire to keep the disabled toilet but make it an access for all toilet. **Clerk/Chair to prepare paper and bring to next meeting.**
- iv. Play Area Upgrade Working Group – verbal
Cllr K Peck and the Clerk met on site to look at options. **Clerk to arrange meeting with play equipment company – to include interested resident.**
The Parish Council is committed to upgrading all village play areas.

25/052 Parks & Open Spaces
Already discussed.

25/053 Buildings & Facilities

- i. Village Hall
Works are nearing completion – just a couple of bits of snagging. All users are delighted with the improvement – especially the lantern.
- ii. Fourth Avenue Bowls Pavillion Update – previously circulated
CISWO want the Parish Council to pay for the demolition of the pavillion – the Parish Council have written to CISWO stating they are not prepared to do this. No response to date.
- iii. Parish Council Van – previously circulated
It was agreed to proceed with leasing an electric van from Worksof Van Hire, subject to the cost of the installation of a charging point at Sherwood Fields.
Clerk to get quotes for installation of charging point and circulate to councillors.
- iv. Workshop/Store
There is a lack of workshop/storage space for the Parish Council. There are currently two Parish Council containers at Sherwood Fields as well as other containers/garages used by Robin Hood Colts. The whole area needs tidying up/sorting out with the possibility of purchasing another container as a workshop. **Clerk to contact Robin Hood Colts to ascertain their plans for the area.**

25/054 Finance & Governance Matters

- i. Approval of June Income and Expenditure and Reserve Accounts – previously circulated
- ii. Bills for Payment – previously circulated
- iii. Late Bills for Payment – previously circulated
i-iii proposed by Cllr J Peck, seconded by Cllr K Peck – all approved.
- iv. Casual Vacancy
The deadline to call an election is Friday 11th July. If no election is called, the Parish Council can co-opt someone onto the council.

So far there have been 3 informal enquiries to be co-opted onto the council.

v. Date of September Full Council Meeting

Due to the summer recess and staff/councillor availability it was agreed to change the date of the September meeting to 3rd September.

25/055

Correspondence

- i. Early morning noise from watering equipment on the High Street. A complaint has been received from a resident of the High Street concerning the noise from the watering equipment. The Parish Council empathises with the resident and we are investigating the viability of potential operational changes.

25/056

Planning Matters

Applications

25/00983/HPRIOR

Single storey rear extension – the extension extends beyond the rear wall of the original house

20 Colliers Way

No objection

25/00971/VAR106

Remove occupation restrictions associated with Ollerton roundabout works

Former Thoresby Colliery

No objection

25/00863/LDCE

Certificate of Lawfulness to continue existing use of outbuilding for purposes incidental and ancillary to the main dwellinghouse

Rufford View, Clipstone Road

No objection

Decisions

25/00968/TPO

Undertake Tree Works

42 Mansfield Road

Application Permitted

25/00942/TELNOT

Installation of 2 new 10m light wooden poles

Merryweather Close

No Objection

25/00890/NMA

Non Material Amendment to approved plans

Thoresby Vale Enabling Works

Application Permitted

25/00856/TELNOT

Erection of 1 new 10m light wooden pole

Rufford Road

No objection

25/00786/NMA

Non Material Amendment of reserved matters

Former Thoresby Colliery

Application Permitted

- 25/00796/TELNOT** Notice of intention to install 1x wooden pole
Greendale Avenue
No objection
- 25/00794/TELNOT** Installation of 1 x 10m high light wooden pole and 1 x 9m high light wooden pole
Fourth Avenue
No objection
- 25/00709/DISCON** Confirmation of discharge of condition 4
Former Thoresby Colliery
DOC – All conditions discharged
- 25/00090/FUL** Material change of use to keeping horses and erection of 3 stables
Field off Boy Lane
Application Permitted

25/057 **Confidential matters are minuted separately --**
Confidential Matters
i. Staffing

25/058 **Date of Next Meetings –**

Full Council – 3rd September 2025
Finance & Governance Committee Meeting – 16th July 2025
Allotment Working Group – 23rd July 2025
Parks & Open Spaces Working Group – 3rd September 2025