

EAST COTTINGWITH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council, held on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall, East Cottingwith.

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs N Hobbs (Chair), C Stevens, D Griffith, C Cornmell, S Jones, T Verity

049/24 To record any apologies for absence: Cllr D Parapen, Ward Cllrs L Hammond, P West

050/24 Declarations of Interest: None

051/24 To hear any matters raised by attending parishioners:

The Parish Council was asked if it had a policy on Tree Conservation. It was explained that there is not a written one in place. All applications for works on trees are judged on their own merits. Objections are lodged if applications are for established trees within the Conservation Area. If an application is for removal of trees, the Parish Council would usually seek new tree replacements.

052/24 To approve and sign the Minutes of the July meeting:

Proposed: Cllr Stevens Seconded: Cllr Cornmell The Minutes were signed by Cllr Hobbs.

053/24 To discuss any matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting that are not elsewhere on the Agenda:

- i. Jubilee Wood – update: there has been phenomenal growth and the appearance of much wildlife is encouraging. It is time for the Team to go in and begin to tidy up. The bench is has been finished and is ready for installation. Cllr Jones reported that he had priced up Information Boards. With prices £300-£500, it was agreed that a less formal approach should be taken. This will be discussed at a later date.
- ii. Langrickgate- maintenance of verges: the paths have been sprayed and weeded. Traffic cones are still in place of the missing grilles. The Clerk will chase ERYC Highways. **YE**
- iii. Road Sign – Redcap Lane: this is still outstanding. The Clerk will chase ERYC. **YE**
- iv. Engagement with the Local Community - Newsletter/Emails: Cllr Jones reported that some pages for the new website still needed checking and updating. The Home Page needs more work as it is currently very generic.
The Parish Councillors will be given gov.uk email addresses so that Parish Council communications can be kept separately from their personal email inbox.

054/24 Agenda Items:

- i. Community Energy Fund – the Clerk will re-circulate the email. **YE**
- ii. New Model Financial Regulations: the Clerk has drafted new financial regulations to keep them in line with recommendations proposed by NALC. These have been circulated for approval and adoption. Proposed: Cllr Cornmell Seconded: Cllr Stevens

055/24 Financial Reports:

- a. Bank Reconciliation – signed by Parish Councillor
- b. Receipts: None
- c. To note and approve any requests for payment received:

Clerk's salary (July and August) - £272.64
Clerk's Travel (July and September) - £11.60
Grass cutting (July and August) - £844.40
Information Commissioner - £40.00
HMRC (Month 5) - £34.00

Proposed: Cllr Verity Seconded: Cllr Jones

056/24 To note and process any Planning Matters:

Applications to consider: None

Applications Considered:

24/02193/TPO – Crown lift 1no. Sycamore tree (T1) by 2 metres on the field side to balance the tree and to abate nuisance low branches over the paddock fence - Middleton House Middleton Farm Main Street East Cottingwith YO42 4TN for Mrs A Hastie
No objection. Replacement trees requested.

24/02385/TCA – Fell 3 no. Poplar trees and 1no. Fir tree due to health and safety concerns arising from windy conditions - Hall Garth Farm, Church Lane, East Cottingwith, YO42 4TL for L Fowler. No objection. Replacement trees requested.

Notices of Approval:

24/01921/PLF – Installation of air source heat pump to side – 7 St Mary's Close, East Cottingwith, YO42 4TZ for Mr A Boothroyd

Erection of a detached dwelling and detached garage following Outline Planning Permission 21/01547/OUT (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale to be considered) – Land west of Red Oaks, Langrickgate Lane, East Cottingwith, YO42 4TH for Mr M Fisher

24/01982/TCA - Pollard 1no. Willow tree to 2.4 metres due to risk of limb failure over paddock fencing and to allow regenerative regrowth to develop better form – Derwent View, Middleton Farm, Main Street, East Cottingwith YO42 4TN for Mrs H Reed

24/01988/TPO – Crown lift 2 no. Sycamore trees (T1 & T2) by 2 metres to improve sunlight and access to the garden and decrease overhang above paddock fencing.
Fell 1no. Ash tree (T2) due to poor form – Parnall House, Middleton Farm, Main Street, East Cottingwith YO42 4TN for Mrs S Ferguson

Notices of Withdrawal: None

Notice of Refusals: None

057/24 To hear and note any Correspondence Matters: None

058/24 Members Reports:

- i. Queries have been raised as to why some topics are not on the agenda for each meeting. An item will only be on the agenda if there is something to discuss.

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- ii. The telephone box will be repainted next month. There are enough monies from Community donations to fund the project.
- iii. There is continued concern about the height of the development taking place in front of Middleton Farm. The Enforcement Officer has visited the site and has confirmed that the height does conform to that in the amended plans, 21/00677/PLF (Amended Plans) which were submitted May 2021 and approved 10th August 2021.

059/24 To conduct any other business by consent of the Chairman under the Local Government Act 1972:

The Chairman advised that he will be away from 11 December until 25 January so will not be available to assist with the Christmas tree and lights. Cllrs Stevens and Jones agreed to liaise on this. The Chairman undertook to ask Peter Rhodes if he would be willing, once again, to order and deliver the tree.

The Chairman proposed, and it was unanimously agreed, that the Parish Council, through these minutes, should congratulate the Feast Committee for organising such an enjoyable event again this year.

The Chairman advised the Council that he had thanked the owner of the hedge along Langrickgate and Canal Lane for cutting the hedge and doing such a good job.

060/24 To confirm the date and time of the next meeting:

Thursday 14th November 2024 at 8.00pm

Agenda items to be with the Clerk by Thursday 7th November 2024.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm