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EARSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Earswick Parish Council, held in Earswick Village Hall on Monday 31st August 2026.

Councillors present: D Jones
G Offler
P Leveson
M Lumley-Holmes
C Ellis
I Yeowart
BS Wiseman

Parish Clerk: B O'Connor

Members of public present: 0

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of Interest and Any Other Declarations

Cllr Yeowart declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 9.

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on the 6th July 2026 were approved as an accurate record by the Councillors and duly signed.

4. Members Of The Public Session

No members of the public were present.

5. Clerk's Finance Report & Authorisation Of Expenditure

The following pre-authorised payments (incl VAT where appropriate) have been made from the Barclays bank account since the PC meeting on 6th July 2026:-

- Clerk's salary for July & August 2026
- Clerk's backdated salary increase
- Barclay's Bank charges £8.50 x 2
- Reimburse Cllr Lumley Holmes for plants/sundries for use in the Scented Garden and Village Hall - £37.91, £37.98 & £108.63
- Public Open Space maintenance - £1,344 & £2,020
- BT fee for Broadband in Village Hall - £55.60 & £69.17
- Replace Village Hall doors - £3,785
- Paint Railings - £2,480
- British Gas payments for the Village Hall - £19.65 & £16.63
- E-on Next payments for the Village Hall - £38.58 & £41.38

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- Print Dog Control questionnaire - £192.14
- Deal with overhanging trees in Public Open Space - £800
- Deal with over grown trees in Centenary Wood - £240
- Deal with damaged trees near sports field - £490
- For Village Hall cleaning: £150 (July) & £187.50 (August)
- Clean out ditch - £1,200
- Installation of ramp on approach to Lock House Lane car park - £660

The following amounts have been received by the PC into the Barclays account since reported at the meeting on 6th July:

- Tennis membership fees £165
- Village Hall Bookings - £817.5
- C&C Savings interest - £290.02 & £2,541.95

6. Ratification of Payments

The PC approved the following payments:

- £42 for signs warning of deep ditch.

7. Planning Applications

The Clerk used delegated powers to record any or no objections from the Parish Council on the following planning applications:

- None

The City of York Council (CYC) reached decisions on the following planning application:

- 26/00969/FUL 12 The Village, Earswick - Single storey side and rear extension – approved
- 26/00990/FUL 50 Earswick Chase, Earswick – Dormer to rear and 3no rooflights to front roof slope - refused.
- 26/00498/FUL 23 Lock House Lane, Earswick York YO32 9FT Alterations to rear fenestration, including the insertion of 2 roof-lights and relocation of door and addition of window to side – approved
- 26/00434/FUL The Old Barn Moor Lane Earswick York YO32 9LL Erection of 1no. dwelling following demolition of existing outbuilding – approved with some conditions
- 25/01771/FULM 229 Strensall Road York YO32 9SW Erection of 14no. dwellings (Use Class C3) with associated access and landscaping following demolition of existing bungalow Silvercrest Estates Ltd - refused

Applications where the CYC have outstanding actions:

- None

8. Monthly Equipment Check

Cllr Offler produced a report. **Cllr Lumley-Holmes** agreed to see what could be done to repair the frayed rope on the life belt. No other action required at this stage.

9. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with reviewing the terms & conditions or use of the Village Hall.

It was agreed that this would be discussed further at the next meeting.

Cllr Jones agreed to make a minor change to the T&C's asking hirers of the hall to tell us about any breakages or faults.

10. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with repairing or replacing damaged chairs in the Village Hall.

Cllr Leveson agreed to do further research on chairs with arms that are suitable for use in a village hall with a view to making a proposal at the next meeting to buy 6.

11. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with 2 man days' work to continue with annual cutting back of large overgrown shrubs etc in POS at a cost of £600.

It was unanimously agreed to accept the quote for 2 man days' work to cut back large overgrown shrubs etc in POS at a cost of £600. **Cllr Offler**

12. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with doing a minor end of year review to the current Public Open Space contract.

It was agreed to leave the contract alone for now and to get separate quotes for any additional work required. **Cllr Offler**

13. Ratification of decisions

The PC ratified the following decisions:

- The clerk was asked to write again to CYC Highways about safety concerns for traffic at the Strensall Road/The Village roundabout and maybe suggest the painting of speed bumps. **Action BOC**

14. Items for information

- The possible use of a 20 mph speed limit in Earswick in the areas off the Strensall Road is to be added to the next agenda

The meeting closed at 08:25 pm.

B O'Connor
Clerk To Earswick Parish Council