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EARSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Earswick Parish Council, held in Earswick Village Hall on Monday 6th Jul 2026.

Councillors present: D Jones
G Offler
P Leveson
M Lumley-Holmes
C Ellis
I Yeowart
Parish Clerk: B O'Connor

Members of public present: 0

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Wiseman

2. Declarations of Interest and Any Other Declarations

None

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes for the Annual Parish Council (PC) meeting and the ordinary PC meeting held on the 18th May 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 18th May 2026:-

- Clerk's salary for May & June 2026
- Reimburse Cllr Lumley Holmes for plants/sundries for use in the Scented Garden - £3.99 & £7.98
- Mole control - £120
- Fire safety inspection - £65.40
- Cleaning Scented Garden benches - £550
- E-on Next payments for the Village Hall - £38.04 & £40.28
- British Gas payments for the Village Hall - £39.81
- For Village Hall cleaning: £150 (May) & £187.50 (June)

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- Public Open Space maintenance - £1,344
- Barclay's Bank charges £8.80 & £8.50
- Bus shelter lease - £100
- BT fee for Broadband in Village Hall - £55.60
- ICO Licence - £47
- Reimburse Cllr Offler for plants for use in the Planters - £58

The following amounts have been received by the PC into the Barclays account since reported at the meeting on 18th May:

- Tennis membership fees £200
- Village Hall Bookings - £850
- Barclay Savings interest - £124.19

6. Ratification of Payments

The PC approved the following payments:

- N/A

7. Planning Applications

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

- 26/00969/FUL 12 The Village, Earswick - Single storey side and rear extension – no objections
- 26/00990/FUL 50 Earswick Chase, Earswick – Dormer to rear and 3no rooflights to front roof slope - strongly objected.
- 26/00985/FUL Corner Garth 2 The Village, Earswick – Variation of conditions 13 (car and cycle parking), 14 (internal turning areas) and 15 (vehicle sightlines) of permitted application 03/03800/FUL to extend approved parking restrictions on High Garth - objected.

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

- none

Applications where the CYC have outstanding actions:

- 26/00990/FUL 50 Earswick Chase – Freedom Of Information request for background correspondence – to be processed once CYC have reached a decision on the application.

8. Monthly Equipment Check

Cllr Offler produced a report – no action required at this stage.

9. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with installing / fitting another ramp or improving signage near the entrance to the Lock House Lane Car Park.

It was agreed that we should install a rubber type of ramp on the Lock House Lane entrance at a maximum cost of £550 +VAT. **Action Councillor Jones**

The clerk was asked to write to the resident who pointed out the issue asking them to trim their hedge to improve visibility. **Action BOC**

10. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated extending the public footpath on Strensall Road from the bus stop up to the entrance to Foss Bank.

It was agreed that as a first step we should find out who owns the land. The clerk was asked to write to CYC initially and then, if necessary, find out via the land registry. **Action BOC**

11. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with the development of a Dog Control Policy.

It was agreed that we should send out a questionnaire to all residents, with a view to finalising a Dog Control Policy. It was agreed to get the questionnaire printed at a maximum cost of £200 + VAT. **Action Councillors Jones & Ellis**

12. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with doing a spring clean of the Village Hall.

It was agreed that we should do a spring clean of the Village Hall at a maximum cost of £75. **Action Councillor Leveson**

13. To discuss and agree any actions/expenditure associated with reviewing arrangements for hosting the Earswick Parish Council web site.

It was agreed that we need to tidy up the current web site. The **Clerk & Councillor Jones** will make the changes/corrections where they can **All Councillors** were asked to make suggestions on where to make corrections and how to improve the site. Once this has been done we can make a decision as to whether we should migrate to another host.

14. Ratification of decisions

The PC ratified the following decisions:

- To post letters to some of the residents on The Village street asking them to cut back vegetation that is over hanging the pavement.
- To deal with some trees that are either damaged or over hanging property - £800
- To deal with damaged/infected trees near the sports field - £490.
- To tidy up overgrown area in Centenary Wood neighbouring properties - £200

15. Items for information

CYC have asked Councillor Wiseman to remain on the Foss Internal Drainage Board

The Parish Council congratulated Professor Steve Leveson for being awarded an MBE in the latest honours list.

The meeting closed at 08:25 pm.

B O'Connor
Clerk To Earswick Parish Council