



East Rudham Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 1st of July 2025 from 7.30pm at the Village Hall

Parish Councillors present: Malcolm Pearson (Chairman), Tony Elburn (Vice Chairman), Mark Tizard, Trevor Davis, Terry Hibbert, Richard Spencer, Rosemary Weeks and Sue Jones.

Parish Clerk and Cllr Chenery

There were no members of the public present.

1. Welcome and to receive apologies for absence.

The Chairman welcomed all those present.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Dawson and Morley. Apologies accepted.

2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and consider any requests for dispensations

There were none.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th of May 2025 / APM 21st May 2024.

The minutes were approved without amendment, proposed Cllr Tizard, seconded Cllr Jones and signed by the Chairman.

All in favour who were present at the meeting.

4. To hear from Borough Councillor

Cllr Morley sent the following report:

I am committed to attend a meeting this evening on the Guildhall in King's Lynn and a significant financial commitment is on the agenda. Please accept my apologies for not attending your Parish Council Meeting.

Not much of significance to report at present as finalising last year's accounts and checking running costs.

The Local Government Reorganisation is still a major topic, and we have to submit our further thoughts (that is those of the 6 Districts in unison) in the near future for the Government to consider in September.

I am working on the process so that you receive fees and charges info and 2nd home premium information for 26.27 in good time for your preset.

To hear from the County Councillor

Cllr Chenery had sent out a full report which will be on the website.

There is a £500 Community Fund available for village events and contact Cllr Chenery for further information.

The County Council are looking for a single unitary council system and details are available on the website under Devolution.

There has been a lot of activity at both Sculthorpe and Marham recently. Working on the Norfolk archives, Community Railway and Norfolk/Suffolk mental health.

5. Open forum for Public Participation: an opportunity to hear from members of the public – None

6. To receive updates from council members

6.1 Jack's Lane Windfarm community fund – Cllr Davis advised that most of the £64k has been allocated with the Village Hall and Sports/Muga successful. However, our bid for funding towards the inflatable chair was unsuccessful requiring proof of the amount of falls and how many times the ambulance service is called out. Cllr Weeks to request this information via the next newsletter and Cllr Tizard will write the notice.

It was also suggested to consider contacting Careline etc., for statistics of alarms raised due to falls.

6.2 SAM– Cllr Elburn advised that the SAM unit located by Groveside (Westbound) has provided a maximum speed of 100mph on the 22nd of June at 14.25 hrs, 85th percentile was 43mph, total vehicles 135,217 with the average speed of 37.3mph

6.3 Inflatable Chair – as item 6.1

6.4 Clerks report –The AGAR has been completed and sent to the external auditors for approval. Attended online meetings for the Local Plan and planning – will forward the presentation upon receipt.

6.5 Devolution – web page updated when new information is received including the Options Appraisal Executive Summary and letter.

7. Open Spaces & Highways Issues

7.1 Kerbing Project – Cllrs Pearson and Elburn met onsite with Highways on the 16th of June and discussed plans and pricing. No update as yet from this meeting and we need to keep the CIL funding advised.

7.2 Village Green - Mr Walker was thanked for making a good job with the grass cutting.

7.3 Groveside Parking – A resident has complained about parking issues and near misses. Cllr Pearson suggested we contact highways regarding making it a one way system.

7.4 Cllr Pearson advised that a large branch had come down blocking the A48 last Friday. It was great to see a quick response from residents who had chainsaws and cleared up the road. The farmer was in attendance and a tree surgeon advised the tree needs removing as considered dangerous. Cllr Pearson has advised Highways.

8. East Rudham Cemetery & Churchyard

Cemetery – Mr. Walker and David Weir have been working on the grass cutting and it is looking great. One grave stone has sunk, and it will require around 6 people to lift and re-set. A battery pressure washer has been purchased to enable cleaning of the benches and headstones.

A request for a new headstone was approved.

Church – Cllr Pearson advised that the repairs are due this month with scaffolding to be erected with a grant from the church. The Church insurance had not been paid but this has now been rectified. It was suggested that we consider a donation for the storage. Cllr Weeks advised that storage may be available at the Village Hall as an alternative.

Cllr Spencer asked if it was an opportunity to undertake some cleaning when the scaffolding goes up but the height would need checking.

Cllr Pearson suggested that an event is held at the Church during Heritage week in September and perhaps some funding from Cllr Chenery would help.

9. Newsletter and Facebook page

Cllr Weeks confirmed that the deadline for the next Newsletter is the 10th of August. It was agreed by all to include a reminder to residents that they are responsible for maintaining their hedges.

10. Financial Matters

10.1 To approve the bank reconciliation and payments/receipts for May & June – approved. Proposed Cllr Pearson, seconded Cllr Jones and all in favour.

10.2 To approve the payments for June & July to date –and all in favour:

C Boyden	Salary	253.11	
HMRC	PAYE	63.40	
C Boyden	Expenses	26.00	
K & M Lighting	Street light maintenance	39.73	Standing order
BCKLWN	Dog Bin emptying monthly	79.09	Direct Debit

10.3 The first quarter financial review will be issued shortly after approval from Cllr Pearson.

11. Planning Matters

Applications: **25/00970/F -** : Internal Alterations to Dwelling and Conversion of Barn to form Extended Residential Accommodation at The Barn The Green East Rudham

25/01041/F -: VARIATION OF CONDITION 8 OF PLANNING PERMISSION 21/02172/F (Plot 1 only): Two detached houses including extended access at Wagon Wheel House 24A Bagthorpe Road East Rudham KINGS LYNN Norfolk PE31 8RA

Both applications discussed and it was agreed by all to make no observations comments.

Decisions: None

12. Communications

12.1 Emergency Plan as raised by the Village Hall. Cllr Pearson advised that this had been raised over the past years but difficult to pull together. Agreed to put a notice in the next newsletter asking for residents with medical backgrounds, 4x4 vehicles, chain saws etc. Clerk to forward an example to Cllr Tizard. ACTION: Clerk

Cllr Pearson raised bi-monthly meetings and this to be considered at the next meeting.

13. Receive items for next agenda and note the date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be on the 2nd of September 2025

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.10pm.

Signed by Chairman:

Date: