

**Minutes of Eagle & Swinethorpes Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 20th March
2025 at 7pm in Eagle Hall Estate Office.**

Present Cllr David Parkes - Chair, Cllr Jane Fulton-Sutton, Cllr Pat Parkes, Cllr Jane Wallis, Cllr Warren Knight.

Rachel Popplewell – Parish Clerk
District Councillor Chris Goldson & Richard Johnson
1 member of public

Councillors listened to a presentation from Tony Magri from Wildlife Friendly Communities (WFC). The WFC is interested in protecting and enhancing wildlife in the local areas, by maintaining and creating green spaces.

Agenda Items

1. Welcome & Apologies.
The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Apologies were received from Cllr Michael Chennells, Cllr Neil Faulkner & Cllr Bernadette Grayston. It was **Resolved** to accept the reasons for absence and the apologies, all agreed – show of hands.
Apologies were received from Cllr Alan Briggs.
2. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interest and requests for dispensations.
None
3. Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 26th February 2025 to be approved as minutes.
It was **Resolved** to approve the notes as minutes. – All agreed. Signed by the Chair.
4. Clerks Update & Correspondence, and to Resolve to agree any subsequent actions.
The Clerk confirmed that the open spaces contractor has accept the contract for the next 3 years.
Cllr Wallis & Clerk made comment that they had been in touch with representatives from the Post Office and Dr Caroline Johnson MP, who has offered to support the campaign to re-open the Post Office. Talks are still on going.
Update regarding the installation of the Christmas Tree - permission has been received to site the Christmas tree in the Church yard, the High Street near the shop could be considered as an alternative location but permission from LCC would be required. Clerk was asked to investigate the option. Action Clerk.
The Christmas tree lights may have to be solar powered, as there is no access to mains electric.
The Clerk made comment that the Non-Domestic Rates bill has been received for £0.00

5. Finance.

- a. To authorise the signing of orders for payment, note bank balances & any monies received. (List previously circulated).

Councillors considered the list of payments. It was **Resolved** to approve the following orders for payment – All agreed.

Cllr Wallis to approve the payments online

Action JW

Date	Name	Net	VAT	Total
20.03.2025	YU energy (direct debit)	£153.91	£7.70	£161.61
20.03.2025	YU energy (direct debit)	£29.42	£1.47	£30.89
20.03.2025	Salaries & Expenses	£515.60		£515.60
20.03.2025	EDF Energy (direct debit)	£37.25	£1.86	£39.11
20.03.2025	Microsoft 365	£70.83	£14.16	£84.99
20.03.2025.	E-on	£189.00	£37.80	£226.80
20.03.2025	Play inspection Co	£116.00	£23.20	£139.20
20.03.2025	Heronswood	£450.00	£90.00	£540.00
	Total	£1562.01	£176.19	£1738.20

Bank Balances 28.02.2024	Bank Balances 28.02.2025
Current Account - £5,966.21	Current Account - £4,967.60
Playing Field Account - £76.98	Playing Field Account - £210.36
Savings Account - £14,186.32	Savings Account - £18,298.23

6. To review the following policies

- Community Engagement Policy
- Privacy Notice
- Accessibility Notice.

After discussions it was **Resolved** to review the policies, no amendments were required. All agreed, show of hands.

7. Playing Field update to include –

- Review of the annual inspection report and to Resolve to approve any recommendations from the report.

Comments were made regarding the report, which rated the park as 12 – moderate risk.

After discussions it was **Resolved** that all Councillors are to view the MUGA, which has been highlighted in the report, to put a maintenance plan together. Cllr Faulkner offered to secure the goal posts in place by the April meeting.

Cllr Pat Parkes offered to report the broken manhole cover to Anglian Water.

Action All Councillors.

The clerk was asked to clarify the councils' position when using volunteers in the village for maintenance jobs.

Action Clerk.

b. Kitchen Block Refurbishment.

The Clerk made comment that the revised plans had been circulated, with a planning application submitted on behalf of the Parish Council by HWD architects to North Kesteven District Council.

8. Date & Time of the next meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 23rd April 2025 at 7pm at the Estate Office, Eagle Hall. LN6 9HZ.

Wednesday 30th April 2025 at 7pm at The Estate Office, Eagle Hall. LN6 9HZ.

Meeting Closed 8.30pm.

Signed

Date

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