

Minutes of Eagle & Swinethorpes Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 29th October 2025 at 3.30pm in Eagle Hall Estate Office.

Present Cllr David Parkes - Chair, Cllr Pat Parkes, Cllr Neil Faulkner, Cllr Michael Chennells, Cllr Warren Knight & Cllr Bernadette Grayston – Vice Chair & Cllr Jane Fulton-Sutton.

Rachel Popplewell – Parish Clerk
District Councillor Chris Goldson
County Councillor Alan Woodruff
2 members of public

Comments were received from the member of public regarding the overhanging hedges on Southern Lane & Beehive. The Clerk was asked to contact Whisby Gravel Pits. **Action Clerk.**

Cllr Woodruff made comment that all the issues on 'fixmystreet' for Eagle had been completed. He passed his congratulations on to the village scarecrow winners.

Consultations over the LGR (local government re-organisation) were still ongoing, with an announcement due January 2026.

Cllr Goldson made comment that the financial settlement from the Government, hasn't been received for the financial year 2026/27. Cllr Goldson also added comments regarding the LGR

Agenda Items

1. Welcome & Apologies.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
No apologies.

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.

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3. Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on Friday 26th September 2025 to be approved as minutes.

It was **Resolved** to approve the notes as minutes. – All agreed. Signed by the Chair.

4. Health & Safety

Nothing to report.

5. Clerks Update & Correspondence, and to Resolve to agree any subsequent actions.

The Clerk confirmed details of the Remembrance Day Service with the Chair of the Council, prior to the laying of the wreath.

The entrance gates had been repaired and painted.

The Clerk made comment that another contractor had look at the wood on the MUGA, in their opinion some of the slats needed to be repaired, which contradicted the previous contractor. It was **Resolved** that any repairs to the wood on the MUGA would be re-considered after the annual inspection in February 2026.

The Clerk asked Councillors to consider any additional spending that may need to be added to the Precept for the next financial year.

6. 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 David Parkes to approve the payments online

Action DP

Date	Name	Net	VAT	Total
29.10.2025	YU energy (direct debit)	£455.37	£22.77	£478.14
29.10.2025	Salaries & Expenses	£727.66		£727.66
29.10.2025	EDF Energy (direct debit)	£39.56	£1.98	£41.54
29.10.2025	D Lyne	£290.83	£58.17	£349.00
29.10.2025	Amazon	£12.31	£2.46	£14.77
29.10.2025	Amazon	£4.12	£0.83	£4.95
29.10.2025	DW Landscaping	£480.00		£480.00
	Total	£2096.06		£2096.06

Bank Balances 30.09.2024	Bank Balances 30.09.2025
Current Account - £4,358.15	Current Account - £4,425.52
Playing Field Account - £351.46	Playing Field Account - £414.90
Savings Account - £29,298.23	Savings Account - £33,449.26

- b. To receive the Bank Reconciliation as at 30.09.2025.

The clerk presented the Bank reconciliation showing the accounts balanced for the first half of the year, signed by Cllr Chennells.

- c. To review the budget as at 30.09.2025.

The Clerk presented the budget to Council, showing that the Council were at 100% of income target and 43% of spending. No amendments were required.

- d. To approve the donation of £50 for Remembrance Day

It was **Resolved** to approve the donation, all agreed – show of hands.

7. To consider the quotes to purchase safety barriers for the village.

After discussions it was **Resolved** to purchase 4 safety barriers from Chapter 8 at a cost of £25.38 per barrier. All agreed – show of hands.

Action Clerk.

8. To review the following policies

- a. Pay Policy
- b. Social Media Policy
- c. CCTV Policy

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

9. To consider the following planning application

- a. T1 Oak – reduce height by 1m, side prune by 1/2m garden side and reduce by 4/5m over paddock. Remove any deadwood – this is exempt from application but included for completeness.

17 Hilltop Close, Eagle. Ref – 25/1199/TPO

After discussions it was **Resolved** to support the application. All agreed – show of hands.
Cllr Fulton-Sutton declared and interest in the agenda item.

10. Kitchen Block refurbishment update.

The Clerk made comment that the Council has met with 3 Contractors to quote for the refurbishment, once received a grant application could be submitted.
Comments were received regarding the installation of solar panels, and the criteria for any grants that were available.

11. To finalise the Christmas Tree installation details.

The Clerk made comment that permission had been approve for the Christmas Tree to be sited on the open space next to the shop from Lincolnshire County Council. Willows Nursery would supply the tree and a local contractor the stand. Solar lights to be purchased. The tree will be installed on 6th December 2025.

Action Cllr Knight & Cllr Faulkner

12. To discuss the Community Recognition Award criteria and nomination details.

The criteria for the award would be for an individual or a group who has given a 'Positive Contribution to the Community' in the 12 months up to December 2025.
Closing date 28.02.2025, winner to be announced at the Annual Parish Meeting.
To be advertised in the next edition of the Eagle Eye, Facebook and the Notice board.

13. Date & time of next meeting

Wednesday 26th November 2025 at 7pm at The Estate Office, Eagle Hall. LN6 9HZ

Meeting Closed 8pm

Signed

Date

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