

**Minutes of Eagle & Swinethorpe Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 7pm in Eagle Hall Estate Office.**

Present Cllr Bernadette Grayston – Vice Chair, Cllr Pat Parkes, Cllr Jane Fulton-Sutton & Cllr Michael Chennells.

Rachel Popplewell – Parish Clerk  
District Councillors Chris Goldson & Richard Johnston

Comments were received from the District Councillor's regarding the Local Government Reorganisation – the consultation is open until the end of March 2026. There is no update on the impact of the reorganisation for Parish & Town Councils.

**Agenda Items**

1. **Welcome & Apologies.**  
Apologies were received from Cllr Parkes, Cllr Faulkner & Cllr Knight. It was **Resolved** to accept the reason for absence and the apology. All agreed – show of hands.  
Cllr Grayston – Vice Chair, Chaired the meeting.
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.**  
Nothing noted.
3. **Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 to be approved as minutes.**  
To was **Resolved** to approve the notes as minutes – all agreed. Signed by the Chair
4. **Health & Safety**  
The Clerk made comment that the new CCTV signs had to been received, Cllr Faulkner to install at the playing field. **Action NF**  
One quote had been received for the repairs to the wet pour, the clerk was asked to source a second. **Action Clerk.**
5. **Clerks Update & Correspondence, and to Resolve to agree any subsequent actions.**  
The Clerk made comment that she had received correspondence regarding Back Lane; it was overgrown and impassable. Cllr Woodruff had confirmed that the grass should be cut back by LCC contractors 3 times a year, the area is now so overgrown that the hedges, brambles & trees are forming an archway. The vehicles that block the entrance to Back Lane could be reporting to DVLA of not taxed and parking enforcement if blocking the road.  
The Clerk had received a letter from All Saints Church, asking for financial assistance to repair the church clock. The Clerk made comment that she had contacted the Heritage Department at NKDC regarding funding, who confirmed that they would qualify for a grant, should they apply. A list of possible grant funding options had also been forwarded on. After discussions it was **Resolved** that the Parish Council were unable to help with the funding request. All agreed – show of hands.  
The Clerk confirmed that the application to the Heritage Lottery Fund had been submitted for the Knights Templar project.

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 – show of hands.

Cllr Chennells to approve the payments online

Action MC

Date	Name	Net	VAT	Total
25.02.2026	YU energy (direct debit)	£613.87	£30.69	£644.56
25.02.2026	Salaries & Expenses	£556.44		£556.44
25.02.2026	EDF Energy (direct debit)	£58.00	£2.90	£60.90
25.02.2026	D Lyne	£290.83	£58.17	£349.00
25.02.2026	LALC – training scheme	£145.00	£29.00	£174.00
25.02.2026	Signs for park	£18.23	3.66	£21.89
25.02.2026	Grant payment to scouts – already paid	£620.00		£620.00
25.02.2026	ICO fee	£47.00		£47.00
25.02.2026	HMRC	£386.21		£386.21
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£2735.58</b>	<b>£124.42</b>	<b>£2860.00</b>

Bank Accounts	31.01.2025	Bank Accounts	31.01.2026
Current Account	£1,497.76	Current Account	£4,468.86
Playing Field Acc	£239.29	Playing Field Acc	£235.10
Savings Acc	£18,298.23	Savings Acc	£25,700.81

7. To review the following policies

- Community Engagement Policy
- Dignity at Work Policy
- Privacy Notice
- Accessibility Statement

After discussions it was **Resolved** to review and approve the policies no amendments required. All agreed – show of hands.

8. Kitchen Block refurbishment update

The Clerk made comment that the application for the grant to Tarmac Limited Landfill Community Fund had been submitted, closing date is the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026 with determination date May 2026.

The Clerk confirmed that offers of both financial & material support had been received from Witham Oil & Paint

Hatzfeld Care – Eagle house and

The Chennells Family

9. Swinderby Station update

Cllr Chennells made comment that the culvert at Meardsall crossing was still blocked, although the station carpark hadn't flooded.

10. Date & time of next meeting –

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7pm at The Estate Office, Eagle Hall. LN6 9HZ**

Meeting Closed 8pm.

Signed .....

Date .....

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