

Everton Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of **Everton Parish Council** held on Monday 3rd of November 2025, 7:15pm, at
Everton Village Hall

Present: Cllr. G Thomson (Chair) · Cllr. B Upton · Cllr. S Wiles · Cllr. J Bere · Cllr. R Troop
Cllr. G Waddington · Cllr. L Foster · Cllr. M Wright · Cllr. V Oaks

County Councillor Mike Robertson · District Councillor Steve Pashley
Clerk: Callum Bryant · 2 Residents

1772/25 APOLOGIES

No apologies were recorded,

1773/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

1774/25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident raised issues with the proposed location for new utility poles, stating that they may cause inconvenience and possibly pinch-points. Another resident raised a planning and enforcement issue within the parish.

1775/25 UPDATE FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Bassetlaw District Councillor Steve Pashley gave an update on planning enforcement actions within the parish, Local Government Reorganisation and the proposed renovation of Retford's historic Buttermarket.

Nottinghamshire County Councillor Mike Robertson gave an update regarding the coming opening of the National Rehabilitation Centre, centred around a new model of rehabilitation from acute trauma, the Rufford Ford Consultation, Pension Fund savings and his work forwarding a local request for a crossing on the A631. Applications for reception places are now open until the 15th of January.

- CLOSURE OF THE PUBLIC SESSION -

1776/25 CHAIR'S COMMENTS

The Chair gave an update on various subgroups and the work of the parish council, opened the formal session and restated the rules of debate.

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MINUTES

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th of October as accurate, with an amendment to add Cllr. Wright's apologies.

1778/25

HIGHWAYS

Cllr. Wiles gave a report noting the sweeping completed by the district council and encouraged parishioners to report any potholes.

1779/25

ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

Accounts were received and noted, the bank reconciliation and payment list were signed.

1780/25

PLANNING MATTERS

It was resolved to delegate late planning applications to the clerk, in consultation with the Planning Committee, including 25/01132/FUL.

1781/25

EVERTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr. Upton confirmed the date and time of the consultation event will be the 26th of November, from 2-8pm.

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HOLY TRINITY FUNDING REQUEST

It was resolved to approve funding of £1500 for repairs to the church tower.

1783/25

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON AND CAROL SINGING EVENT

It was resolved to approve a donation of £100 towards the carol singing event, provisionally the 12th of December at 6pm.

1784/25

COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

It was resolved to defer this item until the next meeting.

1785/25

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS

- a) Metcalfe Trust: Cllr. Bere gave a report regarding the proposed renovation of the Village Hall, the new roof on the changing rooms and grant funding.
- b) Metcalfe Recreation Committee: No update was available this month.
- c) Parish Council Website: The clerk gave an update regarding the migration of the website to a new host and a new domain, which is almost complete.
- d) Crime and Policing Update: Cllrs. Thomson, Bere and Troop met with PC James Pickersgill, the local Beat Manager, and a colleague. The councillors requested that PC Pickersgill attend at least one Parish Council meeting per year; he agreed to try, noting that this would need to coincide with his duty hours.

He also encouraged parishes to work collectively to strengthen their voice with the Police and Crime Commissioner. Dates were requested for potential police surgeries in the parish, including opportunities for residents to meet officers and have devices marked with UV pens.

The Rural Watch (RW) scheme has now launched, with parish councillors attending a presentation and training session at Sutton Village Hall. Patrols have begun and parish residents are already signing up. A thermal-imaging drone is available for use by qualified members in support of operations.

Cllr. Thomson emphasised that Rural Watch aims to detect and deter suspicious activity and does not replace police functions: Instead, it supplements police intelligence and supports targeted enforcement.

1787/25 CORRESPONDENCE AND ISSUES RAISED

No further correspondence was raised.

1788/25 NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Items for inclusion on the next agenda were relayed to the clerk.

- IT WAS RESOLVED TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC AND PRESS DUE TO THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED -

1786/25 JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE MATTERS

- a) An update from Friends of Everton Cemetery group regarding ongoing maintenance of the cemetery was received by the council.
- b) A report on the cemetery, including its history, status and proposals for the new development were heard by the council in advance of a further discussion at the next full council meeting.

- THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 21:36 -