

Everton Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of **Everton Parish Council** held on Monday 5th of January 2025, 7:15pm, at
Everton Village Hall

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

Clerk: Callum Bryant · 1 Resident

1803/26 APOLOGIES

District Councillor Steve Pashley and County Councillor Mike Robertson sent apologies.

1804/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

1805/26 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident, and Visual Appearance volunteer, spoke about local issues, raising concerns with regard to traffic and parking, litter and dog fouling which were noted by the council.

1806/26 UPDATE FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLOR

County Councillor Robertson sent a report, giving an update on the impending Eel Pool Road traffic survey results, efforts to provide a crossing on the A631 and possible scheduling for a village walkaround.

- CLOSURE OF THE PUBLIC SESSION -

members of the public may remain to observe but can take no further part in the council meeting

1807/26 CHAIR'S COMMENTS

The Chair opened the formal session and restated the rules of debate and introduced the parish council action tracker.

1808/26 MINUTES

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 1st of December as accurate.

1809/26 HIGHWAYS

Cllr. Wiles raised issue including flooding during heavy rainfall, the necessity of reporting potholes and the new PROW map at the village hall.

1810/26 KISSING GATE REPAIR

It was resolved to defer this to the next meeting.

1811/26 BASSETLAW ACHIEVERS AWARD

It was resolved to nominate Sue Hughes for the Bassetlaw Achievers Award.

1812/26 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE

- a) The accounts presented were noted and the bank reconciliation and payment list were signed.
- b) It was resolved to confirm the draft budget and a precept of £24,534 for the 2026/27 financial year, an increase of 10% and £5.45 Band D per year to be issued to the billing authority in accordance with statutory requirements.

1813/26 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) To discuss planning applications received in advance of the agenda publication.
 - 1. [Demolish Existing Storey Structure and Erect Single and 2 Storey Extension.](#)
White Cottage Gainsborough Road Everton DN10 5DE
Ref. No: 25/01246/HSE: **No Adverse Comment**
- b) To discuss planning applications received since the agenda was published.
- c) To receive update on outstanding enforcement cases and new determinations.
The council discussed enforcement cases and ongoing planning issues.
- d) To receive a report from the clerk on delegated decisions taken.

1814/26 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS

- a) Cllr. Bere gave an update on the Metcalfe Trust, no meeting to report, work is ongoing to obtain quotes for the playground refurbishment.
- b) Cllr. Oaks reported on the Metcalfe Recreation Committee, no update this month.
- c) The clerk reported that councillor email addresses had been set up and will be provided to councillors.
- d) Cllr. Troop updated the parish council and reported that the usual issues were still being reported such as motorbikes in Harwell Woods and that a meeting would be arranged with the estate owner to discuss mitigation. Inconsiderate parking was also raised. Cllr. Thomson updated the council on the Rural Watch Scheme, the next training session to be the 20th of January: Rural Watch patrols are an approximately two hour walk once a month, not to engage but to gather intelligence and act as a deterrent.
- e) Cllr. Upton gave an update regarding the Everton Neighbourhood Plan, his work engaging with Bassetlaw District Council and the work the parish council has ahead to protect green spaces within the parish.
- f) Cllr. Waddington gave a Visual Appearance Lead update, noted that the Christmas break had interrupted work but talked about previous efforts and how future work might tie-in to Everton Respect.

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EVERTON: RESPECT

The Council discussed Everton: Respect, a year-long initiative aimed at restoring pride and encouraging respect within the village. Members agreed the focus should be on community ownership of small but impactful actions, including issues such as dog waste, parking, and village appearance.

Members supported the proposed structure of themed months and agreed that community ownership would be central to success, particularly in relation to issues such as dog waste, parking, litter and general village maintenance. The importance of involving the school, parents, volunteers and other local groups was noted, along with the need to ensure planting and improvement schemes are sustainable and maintained.

Ideas discussed included entering a Best Kept Village competition, recognising positive behaviour, and holding a celebratory event later in the year. It was agreed that planning and publicity should begin as soon as possible, with a potential launch in March.

The initiative will promote shared responsibility, emphasising that everyone has a role to play in doing what is right for the village.

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JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE MATTERS

- a) Cllr. Wiles reported that the maintenance contractor has been invited to discuss hedge infilling on the cemetery boundary, Cllr. Waddington reported that the white post box is now in place and planning for the dedication can begin as soon as the plaque is installed.
- b) Cllr. Wiles reported that the option to purchase is in place and the ground investigation has been booked.

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CORRESPONDENCE AND ISSUES RAISED

Councillors discussed issues such as storage, gritting and it was resolved to minute thanks to Cllr. Troop for providing storage for the parish council and to Reverend Becky Hancock and Holy Trinity Church for hosting the wonderful carol service at Christmas.

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NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda items were discussed for the next meeting which will take place at the function room of the Sun Inn on Monday 2nd February at 7:15pm

- THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 21:24 -