



MATCHING PARISH COUNCIL



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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 6th MAY 2025

AT THE FOX PH MATCHING TYE

Present

Cllr Paul Moulds (PM), (Chairman) Cllrs. John Binder (JEB), Roland Brockman (RB), Richard Morgan (RM), Eugene Simpson (ES), In attendance: ECC & EFDC Cllr Chris Whitbread (CW), EFDC Cllr Ray Balcombe (RB), Clerk to the Council Ernie Fenwick and 3 members of the public.

3275. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2025/2026

PM proposed by RM seconded JEB

3276. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2025/2026

JEB proposed by PM seconded ES

3277. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Denise Deller (DD),

3278. CHAIRMANS REPORT FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2024/2025

Kerbing to all of the Green is now complete protecting it from further erosion.

The wooded area opposite Honnington House, which was heavily overgrown and causing a health hazard, has been cleared.

The pond has been treated with barley straw and additive to eradicate white spot disease affecting the fish.

There was an excellent bonfire night with good social attendance. This helped dispose of all timber and overgrowth cleared from the village green.

The overgrown wet area opposite Martinsfield was cleared as it was causing encroachment and damage to telephone lines.

We assisted Matching School in liaising with the Highways Authority to help alleviate parking and congestion issues outside of the school.

We helped and supported parishioners in Colver's in liaising with EFDC & ECC and Highways Authorities to solve issues with parking which is now hopefully coming to fruition.

Liaised with Highways Authority to enforce removal of hedge encroaching onto road and restricting highways at Colver's junction.

Matching Tye

Carried out substantial repairs and cleaning to equipment in play area.

Removing Millennium sign opposite The Fox public house which had collapsed with severe damage to the timberwork and damaging the bench. This is currently with a local tradesman who is offering his services to the parish council on an "as time permits basis".

Parish Generally



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AGENDA

We have help parishioners with a long standing and ongoing anti-social behaviour problem affecting their properties, health and quality of life.

All of this work has been carried out in addition to our usual maintenance of areas within our Parish. This means that this year our finances have been run to the limit, but we have strived to get value for money considering our small precept.

I would like to thank all our councillors and our Clerk for their efforts and hard work together in the interest of our Parish.

Councillor Paul Moulds

Chairman

3279. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2025/2026

To elect members of the council and others to the following Committees and Working Groups:

| Committee | Incumbent | Nomination | Proposer & Seconder |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Matching Village Hall | Eugene Simpson | Eugene Simpson | PM and RM |
| EALC | Roland Brockman | Roland Brockman | PM and RM |
| Local Council Liaison | Roland Brockman | Roland Brockman | PM and RM |
| Personnel Committee | Roland Brockman & Paul Moulds | Roland Brockman & Paul Moulds | RM and ES |

3280. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024/2025

To approve the Governance Statement for the financial year 2024/2025, Approved

To receive the accounts for the financial year 2024/2025, Approved

3281. STANDING ORDERS

To confirm or amend the Standing Orders for this council. Approved

3282. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

To confirm or amend the Financial Regulations for this council. Approved

3283. ASSET REGISTER

To review, amend and confirm the Asset Register for this council. Needs amendment

3284. INSURANCE ARRANGEMENTS

To confirm the Insurance Arrangements for this council. Approved

3285. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

To confirm or amend the Complaints Procedure for this council. Approved

3286. CODE OF CONDUCT

To confirm the Code of Conduct for members of this council. Approved



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3287. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To confirm the Terms of Reference for the Personnel Committee. Approved

3288. DATES OF FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

To confirm the times, dates and places of Future Parish Council Meetings.
To be held on the first Tuesday of each month at The Fox, Matching Tye