



MATCHING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2025

AT THE FOX PH MATCHING TYE

Present

Cllr Paul Moulds (PM), (Chairman) Cllrs. John Binder (JEB), Roland Brockman (RSB), Richard Morgan (RM), Eugene Simpson (ES), In attendance: EFDC Cllr Ray Balcombe (RB). Clerk to the Council Ernie Fenwick, and 1 member of the public

3385. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Questions submitted in writing will be addressed by the Council during the first 15 minutes of the Meeting.

- 16th October Court Appearance re Anti-Social Behaviour. Only Michelle Kerr was asked to give evidence. The court hearing was a complete waste of time. Defendant was free to go.

3386. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

ECC and EFDC Cllr C Whitbread, away.

3387. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 14th October approved and signed.

3388. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

RM is a district councillor

3389. REPORTS TO AND FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

RB reported that The Bell case is still awaiting a decision.

- First stage of the green bin pricing structure has been approved. £60m for first plus £30 for next two maximum.
- EFDC managed to catch a driver and passenger fly tipping and fined £400.
- Can't open Leisure Centre until after Christmas. Highways found a sink hole right in front of the main entrance.
- North Weald air traffic control centre and Fire Station has now been opened.

3390. CLERKS REPORT

- On matters from the last meeting.
- Any business requiring a decision is listed on the agenda.

Correspondence

i.	EALC Ebulletin
ii.	EALC Training bulletin
iii.	Epping Forest Weekly Crime Reports None received
iv.	EFDC Member Training: The Historic Environment in the Planning Process
v.	AI Planning software
vi.	Election cost Deadline for Nominations 14 th November
vii.	EALC Training e-bulletin- October courses 2025.
viii.	EFDC Council Leader appalled by mistaken release

Chairman _____ Date _____



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ix.	Assertion 10
x.	Draft Policies for adoption
xi.	RCCE Warbler November 2025
xii.	Leader highlights big challenges at full Council

3391. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No Report.

3392. CASUAL VACANCIES

Notice of Election will be published on Thursday 6th November and nominations will need to be submitted by 14th November. Matching Village Hall has been booked as the Polling Station for the 11th December.

3393. DATA PROTECTION

To appoint a Data Protection Officer. Clerk unanimously confirmed as Data Protection Officer
To confirm the Parish Council as the Data Controller. Confirmed unanimously
To approve the Data Protection Policy circulated on 28th October. Approved unanimously
To approve the IT Policy circulated on 28th October. Approved unanimously

3394. MATCHING GREEN AND MATCHING TYE

To consider issues for Matching Green

- Bonfire is well built now, and PM and JEB are setting up the perimeter rope.
- Pond is now filling up with the latest rain.

To consider issues for Matching Tye

- VAS signs in Harlow Road are not working. Clerk notified ECC Highways on 15th October
- Bench on the Matching Tye Green is not repairable. PM is looking into replacement costs

To consider issues to Housham Tye and other hamlets

- No problems

3395. JUBILEE FIELD

- Area looking tidy.

3396. HIGHWAYS

Nothing further to report

Clerk to write to EFDC to request their road sweeper to clear leaves at the Chalk Lane/Hobbs Cross junction.

3397. FINANCIAL REPORT

Bank balance after the following payments £22996.53

Payments to be approved.

Parish Online	Membership Fees	90.00
Skilled Tech Ltd	Office 365	13.06
Clerk	Salary and expense (October)	615.36
HMRC	PAYE (Period 8)	131.00

Authorised by PM and RSB

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3398. PLANNING MATTERS

Decisions by EFDC Planning Dept.

None

Applications

1. Hadley Wood, Downhall Road, Matching Green, Harlow, CM17 0RD contained, self-build dwelling, with associated residential curtilage, and new means of access to the public highway). EPF/2131/25; Approval of Details Reserved by Conditions 3 Levels, 4 Broadband, 5 Obscure Glazing 7 Foul and Surface Water, 8 Water Efficiency Standard, 9 EVP and 11 Contaminated Land of EPF/0859/23 (Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuilding. Construction of a new detached dwelling).

3399. REPORTS BY MEMBERS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

3400. MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Pavilion Access Road, Permissions for 10k run. Election update. Budget proposal

3401. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday 2nd December

Tuesday 6th January

Meeting closed at 8.49 pm

Chairman _____ Date _____