MATCHING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2026

AT THE FOX PH MATCHING TYE

Present

Cllr Paul Moulds (PM), (Chairman) Cllrs. John Binder (JEB), Roland Brockman (RSB), Karen McIvor (KM), Adam Riches (AR), In attendance: Clerk to the Council Ernie Fenwick, and 24 members of the public

3557. Chairman's Welcome & Public Participation

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

- Several residents spoke in support of the bonfire which has been regarded as a village tradition and the village community. The joy on the faces of the kids was just wonderful to see. Thanks to the team from the Council, the Cricket Club and the Chequers
- All members of the public were strongly in support of the bonfire being retained for the future.
- JEB commented that his grandfather had built the bonfire many years ago.
- PM reported that it was impossible to police the site 24 hours a day.

3558. Apologies And Reasons For Absence

Cllr Richard Morgan (RM), Eugene Simpson (ES), EFDC Cllr R Balcombe (RB)

3559. To Approve Minutes Of Last Meeting

- Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 1st September

3560. Presentation To Alex Galley

- Presentation to Alex Galley for his contribution to the Parish Community. Presented by PM

24 members of public left the meeting

3561. Declarations of interests.

KM declared an interest as chair of Essex County Council

3562. Reports to and from County and District Councillors

- KM reported that she would follow up on the Union flag

3563. Clerks Report

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

Correspondence

i.	EALC Ebulletin
ii.	EALC Training bulletin
iii.	Minutes and Action List
iv.	Pavilion Access Plans
v.	Minutes and Action List
vi.	Tenant satisfaction on the rise as EFDC outperforms many peers

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vii.	Flagpole at Matching Airfield
viii.	LazyLawn Enquiry
ix.	Apply now for lottery grant fund
x.	Joint council and police operation fights fly-tipping across the district
xi.	NALC Chief executive's bulletin - 20 August 2026
xii.	Scam alert – Don't let them in
xiii.	EFDC Partnership working secures seizure of criminal's vehicle
xiv.	NALC 2026 Pay Award
xv.	EFDC Review of housing strategies and policies
xvi.	Chief executive's bulletin - 27 August 2026
xvii.	Dog control PSPO consultation
xviii.	EFDC New waste service hits targets
xix.	EALC Invitation to our Chair & Councillor Networking Coffee Morning - Tuesday 22nd September
xx.	Weekly Fish & Chip Van for Matching Green
xxi.	Electricity upgrade at The Chequers
xxii.	EFDC Have a look and see 'What's On'
xxiii.	CouncilWise Training Bulletin - Monday 5th October
xxiv.	VAEF EVENTS 2
xxv.	Flagpole at Matching Airfield
xxvi.	Community Protection Notice

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3564. Chairman's Report

3565. Matching Green and Matching Tye

- To consider issues for Matching Green
- To consider the installation of a disabled access road to the pavilion
- To consider removable posts for access to Village Green
- To consider arrangements for the Bonfire

- To consider issues for Matching Tye

- To consider issues to Housham Tye and other hamlets

3566. Jubilee Field

- Play Area
- Goal Posts painting

3567. Highways

- To receive update on highway issues

3568. Financial Report

- To receive financial reports

Skilled Tech Ltd	Office 365	14.76
Hugo Fox	Website (DD)	20.99
Gpeto	Planning Software	60.00

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Clerk	Salary and expense (October)	424.15
HMRC	PAYE (Period 8)	99.20
HMRC	Employers NIC	11.92

3569. Planning Matters

Decisions by EFDC Planning Dept.

1. Tadgells Barn, Carters Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0NX; EPF/1783/26; Approval of Details Reserved by Condition 3 Details of Materials of EPF/1682/24 Allowed on Appeal (Construction of a cart lodge in replacement of approved leisure building and cart lodge shown in EPF/2441/23). **REFUSED**
2. Scathes, Matching Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0PR;EPF/1757/26; Outdoor swimming pool. **APPROVED**
3. The Limes, Matching Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0QE; EPF/1734/26; Removal of Condition 6: programme of historic building recording and analysis of EPF/1503/25 (Grade II listed building consent for conversion of existing outbuilding to 1 residential annexe ancillary to the main house). **APPROVED**

Applications

4. Downswood, Matching Road, Matching, Harlow, CM22 7AS; EPF/1962/26; Erection of a single residential dwelling to replace the existing outbuilding (benefiting from prior approval under Class MA for conversion to residential use; ref. EPF/1427/25), together with associated landscaping, amenity space and parking.
5. 1 Lilac Cottages, Matching Green, Harlow, CM17 0PR; EPF/1874/26; Matching Green Conservation Area
   T1: Willow - Crown reduce by up to 2.5m.

Appeals

6. Canons, Hobbs Cross Road, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0NP; AP-13670; Demolition the existing house and garage and erection a new single detached self-build dwelling with associated parking and amenity. **APPEAL DISMISSED**

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3570. Reports by Members on Meetings Attended

3571. Matters to be raised by members for the next Agenda

3572. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 1st December Tuesday 5th January

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