

ELKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held in the Elkesley Memorial Hall on Thursday 16 July 2026 at 6.30pm

Present : Councillors J Skelton, J O'Brien, T MacIntosh, L Ashley and M Stronach

Others : County Councillor K Wright, the Clerk and seven members of public attended

26/2489) To receive and approve apologies and reasons for absence

Resolved. Apologies were received from Cllr Gilson and accepted. **Carried.** District Cllr Adams also sent apologies

26/2490) To receive and record declaration of interests from Members in any item on the agenda

No Declarations of Interest were received.

26/2491) To receive the Chair's report

Cllr Skelton thanked all attending, and the councillors for their time and efforts. Platts have levelled and cleared the specified areas in the cemetery, with grass seeding to follow in suitable weather. The removal of the obsolete BMX track is scheduled for the next few weeks. A reminder of rural crime and organised crime was evident with the recent theft of a digger in the village. Residents are reminded to report any suspicious behaviour. Thanks were sent to PC Hollie Marsh for her efforts toward rural crime and ASB. Brough Lane – to sum up, due to Bassetlaw District Council (BDC) admin errors, the Enforcement Notice issued has been rescinded and will be reissued shortly, with time taken to follow due diligence. Elkesley Parish Council has been liaising with a planning consultant who is prepared to represent the village at the hearing and has been corresponding with BDC in drawing attention to the admin issues. Cllr Skelton again thanked the councillors, clerk, District and County councillors and residents for their support.

26/2492) To receive reports from the District and County Councillors

District Cllr Adams was unable to attend but forwarded the letter of confirmation from BDC regarding withdrawal of the enforcement notice. He hopes to have an update for the next parish council meeting. (see appendix)

County Cllr Wright reported that the government has decided which Local Government Reorganisation plan was accepted, and selected the Boundary Review Model. This creates two unitary authorities of Nottingham city and parts of Rushcliffe, Gedling and Broxtowe, and the rest of Nottinghamshire forming the other. Shadow elections in May 2027 will be followed by the new authorities taking power 1 April 2028. Cllr Wright reported another incident of rural crime, and urged residents to report anything suspicious. He is looking forward to facilitating the CPR/Defibrillator/Bleed kit training session on Wednesday 22 July.

Cllr Wright left 6.53pm

26/2493) To suspend the meeting to hold a 10-minute public session

Residents had attended specifically to hear the plans for the Lawnwood garages. One reported that he rents one that is satisfactory for use and would not wish to give it up. Councillors and residents discussed the potentials for the many obsolete garages, with options including demolition of some then replacement with car parking spaces, and repairing others. The

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options require costing before any proper plans can be made. Cllr Skelton floated the idea of a public survey. Another resident enquired about the missing benches, with assurance they will be replaced soon. Finally, thanks were extended to the new landowner who had made repairs to the bridge.

26/2494) To approve the minutes of the meeting held 16 June 2026

Resolved. The minutes of the meeting 16 June were proposed by Cllr Stronach, seconded by Cllr MacIntosh, and accepted as a true record. **Carried**

26/2495) To consider any planning applications or planning correspondence

No new correspondence received.

26/2496) To consider request for donation from Idle Times

Resolved. It was decided that a donation of £330 would be made. **Carried**

26/2497) To note Approved Mileage Allowance Payments increase to 55p per mile

Resolved. Approved Mileage Allowance Payments increase to 55p per mile was noted.

26/2498) To consider the payments as listed and the financial reports for July 2026

Resolved. The payments and financial reports were proposed by Cllr Ashley, seconded by Cllr Stronach and approved. **Carried**

26/2499) To receive reports and consideration of any expenses on the following:

a. Sports field, play area and BMX safety inspections

Cllr Skelton reported that the gates had been welded. The zipwire tyre will be changed shortly. Cllr MacIntosh reported that an item of equipment had been damaged, and details are to be passed onto PC Marsh. Repairs/replacement will be made in due course.

b. Cemetery

Recent groundworks are satisfactory. The water butt will be sorted in the next couple of weeks

c. Defibrillator inspections

All ok.

26/2500) To receive highways and service faults

These are being reported and dealt with as and when.

26/2501) To discuss options for Lawnwood garages

Covered in the public session.

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26/2502) To consider village information signs

The clerk presented an action plan, which will require input from councillors and the public. An update will follow at the next meeting.

26/2503) To receive items for information only

A letter of thanks was received from North Notts Community First Responders for the donation in June.

26/2504) Time and date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 10 September at 6.30pm. As usual, there will be no monthly meeting in August.

The Chair ended the meeting at 7.35pm

Signed

Chair



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Contact Victoria Penney

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Your Ref 22/00261/ENF

Date 16th July 2026

Dear Chairman and Clerk,

Planning Enforcement investigation 22/00261/ENF for Site West of Pepperly Hill, Brough Lane, Elkesley, Nottinghamshire.

In March 2026 Bassetlaw District Council served an enforcement notice on the land at a site west of Pepperly Hill, Brough Lane in Elkesley regarding an alleged breach of planning. This notice was subsequently appealed on behalf of the landowner, and an Inquiry was logged by the Planning Inspectorate.

After careful consideration and advice from legal and planning experts, Bassetlaw District Council has withdrawn this notice after we became aware of some procedural errors in the original enforcement documentation, including some aspects of how this notice was served. Failure to correct these issues could jeopardise the Council's position and could lead to the appeal being allowed on a technicality.

This issue remains a priority for the Council, and we maintain that there is a breach of planning at the site. We will serve a revised Planning Enforcement Notice as a matter of urgency.

This matter was brought to the Council's attention in November 2022. Since then, the Council has received and refused a number of planning applications for the site.

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact me using the details above.

Yours sincerely,

V. Penney

Planning Enforcement Team Leader