MATCHING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2026

AT THE FOX PH MATCHING TYE

Present

Cllr Paul Moulds (PM), (Chairman) Cllrs. Richard Morgan (RM), Adam Riches (AR), Eugene Simpson (ES), In attendance: Clerk to the Council Ernie Fenwick, and 1 member of the public

3540. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed the member of the public

- 10k run. Last year's run raised over £10k for local charities. Sponsors were happy and would like it to continue. The Cricket Club, Stall holders and The Chequers all had increased footfall.
- Concern over the potholes in Potash Lane.
- Will the PC help with the hire of toilets which was £1400 last year.

3541. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs John Binder (JEB), Roland Brockman (RSB), Karen McIvor (KM), EFDC Cllr R Balcombe, EFDC meeting

3542. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 4th August

3543. PRESENTATION TO ALEX GALLEY

- Presentation to Alex Galley for his contribution to the Parish Community. Not present

3544. PRESENTATION BY GIGACLEAR

- Presentation by Gigaclear regarding their infrastructure installation at Matching Green

3545. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

RM is a district councillor.

3546. REPORTS TO AND FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

3547. 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

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3548. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- No Report

3549. 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. Happy after rain that this will go ahead and start building the bonfire on Friday 23rd October.
- Pond is starting to fill up after the rain

- To consider issues for Matching Tye
- Rainbow Road service road leading to alleyway. Raised kerb problems causing trip hazard. Clerk to call Highways and copy email to KM

- To consider issues to Housham Tye and other hamlets

- Sign down at Carters Green "Unsuitable for heavy vehicles" CM17 0NX outside Old House.

3550. JUBILEE FIELD

- PM has reinforced the bridge handrail on far bridge
- Play Area
- Goal Posts painting in hand waiting for volunteers
- ES planting spring bulbs

3551. HIGHWAYS

- To receive update on highway issues
- ECC Highways are making progress on highways issues.

3552. FINANCIAL REPORT

- To receive financial reports

J Kenney Services	Landscaping	1524.00

Chairman_____ Date_____

Skilled Tech Ltd	Office 365	14.76
Hugo Fox	Website	20.99
Gpeto	Planning Software	30.00
Clerk	Salary and expense (August)	743.88
HMRC	PAYE (Period 6)	158.60
HMRC	Employers NIC	56.53

PM and RB to approve

3553. PLANNING MATTERS

Decisions by EFDC Planning Dept.

1. Scathes, Matching Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0PR; EPF/1130/26; Certificate of Lawful development for existing building comprising a residential annexe. **NOT LAWFUL**
2. Threshers Equestrian, Threshers Bush, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0NP; EPF/0941/326; Demolition of commercial stables, removal of ménage and car park and construction of 5 dwellings, (revision to planning application ref: EPF/2383/24 for the construction of 1 dwelling) with alteration of the access.. **REFUSE**

Applications

3. Elms Farm Cottage, Matching Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0PZ; EPF/1482/26; Matching Green Conservation Area
   T1: Sycamore - Crown reduce by up to 1.5m.

Appeals

4. The Chequers Ph, Matching Green, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0PZ; AP-13654; EPF/1973/25; Demolition of existing buildings and replacement extensions. **APPEAL ALLOWED**
5. 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. **IN PROGRESS**

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3554. REPORTS BY MEMBERS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

3555. MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

10k run committee, Donation for Toilets, Pavilion Access path, Water source for pond.

3556. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday 6th October Tuesday 3rdNovember

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Chairman_____ Date_____