



MATCHING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2025

AT THE FOX PH MATCHING TYE

Present

Cllr Paul Moulds (PM), (Chairman) Cllrs. John Binder (JEB), Roland Brockman (RSB), Denise Deller (DD), Richard Morgan (RM), Eugene Simpson (ES), In attendance: EFDC Cllr Ray Balcombe (RB).

3353. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

3354. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Clerk to the Council Ernie Fenwick, away. ECC and EFDC Cllr C Whitbread

3355. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 5th August approved and signed.

3356. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

RM is a district councillor.

3357. REPORTS TO AND FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

RM & RB have nothing to report

3358. CLERKS REPORT

- On matters from the last meeting.
- Any business requiring a decision is listed on the agenda.
- Report on location of Parish Council meetings.

Correspondence

i.	EALC Ebulletin
ii.	EALC Training bulletin
iii.	Epping Forest Weekly Crime Reports None received
iv.	EALC Police, Fire and Crime e-Bulletins, None received
v.	Play in the Park kicks off a summer of fun
vi.	Green Data Solar Farm - Invitation to Community Engagement Event
vii.	RCCE September 13th event
viii.	EFDC Businesses asked to help shape future support
ix.	Council applies for injunction against Bell Hotel owners
x.	EALC Enquiry - Village Green Pavilion
xi.	The Chequers, Matching Green, CM17 Pre Planning details
xii.	ROAD CLOSURE - Workers Road, High Laver
xiii.	ROAD CLOSURE - Threshers Bush, Matching
xiv.	EFDC Join us and make a difference!
xv.	High Sheriff of Essex visit

Chairman _____ Date _____



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3359. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Must congratulate Matching Green Cricket Club on winning 4 trophies this season (Ernie to put in Parish Magazine)

I have to report that Councillor Denise Deller has tendered her resignation from this council with immediate effect. She will be sorely missed on this council, always having forthright views which she has never been afraid of making.

3360. CASUAL VACANCY

Bob Harts wife has been asked, she is thinking about it

3361. MATCHING GREEN AND MATCHING TYE

To consider issues for Matching Green

- To approve Legal fees for access road (for disability and infirmity access) behind the pavilion, 3-5 hours @ £120. £360 - £600 overall as per email. *Approved*
- *Bonfire on 5 November 2026. This will go ahead with making up from 2 weeks before (Clerk to put in Parish Magazine)*
- Joan Bowerman Bench – PM to chase Graeme on when she can come to the Green. Also, PM to speak to Margaret Morgan to see if Dan Sibley can help to get Joan there
- Pond Water. The water level has eased thanks to the Scantlebury and Collins farms. This was a huge problem and if they hadn't have helped. (Clerk to send letter of thanks to both farms)
- 10k Race – we are all happy with it going ahead
- Robert Boon of 31 Colvers has cleared the ditch opposite his house and made the road wider (Clerk to send a letter of thanks)

To consider issues for Matching Tye

- Signs for No Parking will be completed in the next week or so
- Old Bench beyond repair. Need to order a new oak one. PM to get prices from Branson Leisure who supplies them
- Tony Greenfield has painted the telephone box (Clerk to send a letter of thanks to him – 19 Parkside, Matching Tye.)

To consider issues to Housham Tye and other hamlets

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3362. JUBILEE FIELD

- Need to remove the timber/trees that are on the ground

3363. HIGHWAYS

- Usual potholes
- Speed signs at Hobbs Cross still required

3364. FINANCIAL REPORT

Bank balance after the following payments £24793.21
Payments to be approved.

Skilled Tech Ltd	Office 365	13.06
Narkedesign	Website hosting	225.00
Clerk	Salary and expense (August)	553.98
HMRC	PAYE (Period 6)	116.60

Chairman _____ Date _____



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HMRC	Employers NIC (Months 1 -6)	188.67
HMRC	Employers NIC (2024/25)	10.52

Authorised by DD and RB

3365. PLANNING MATTERS

Decisions by EFDC Planning Dept.

1. Green Oaks, Threshers Bush, Matching, Harlow, CM17 0NS; EPF/0013/25; Conversion and alterations to existing glasshouse to create 1no. self-contained, self-build dwelling, with associated residential curtilage, and new means of access to the public highway.

Applications

None

3366. REPORTS BY MEMBERS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

RB will attend the EALC AGM on 25th September

RB & ES attended Green Solar Data Solar Farm event. This was a starter meeting with a long way to go yet.

RM to attend Stansted Airport meeting 3 September. N.B. Parish Councils can apply for a grant of up to £5k through this scheme.

3367. MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Feasibility Study, Bonfire, what to do with the pond in the future – dredge it, get advice from the Environment Agency, get a grant?

3368. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday 4th November

Tuesday 2nd December

Meeting closed at 8.12 pm

Chairman _____ Date _____