

**New Earswick Parish Council
Minutes of the Annual Meeting
18 May 2026
Business Commenced at 19.00 hours**

Attending Councillors: Roy Love (Chair) (RL)
Yvonne Orton (YO)
Carol Runciman (CR)
Audrey Steel (AS)
Joan Whitehead (JW)

Apologies: Ian Murphy (IM)
Peter Vaughan (PV)

Clerk/Minute Taker: Sally Bruckshaw (SB)

26.05.01 **Election of the Chair Person for 2026-27 and Acceptance of Office**

Members proposed that Cllr R Love remained as Chair Person for the following year.

RESOLVED: That RL continue in the position of Chair Person for 2026-27. The Acceptance of Office was signed.

26.05.02 **Notices of the meeting**

The notices of the meeting had been posted on the Parish notice board and web site.

26.05.03 **To receive and note apologies from Members who were unable to attend the meeting**

As above.

26.05.04 **To consider and accept the reasons for absence provided**

The reasons for absence were accepted.

26.05.05 **Update of Register of Interest forms if required**

The documents would be checked to reflect any changes required.

26.05.06 **To receive declarations of interest on any items on the agenda**

None received.

26.05.07 **Police matters**

A Monthly report – One incident of anti-social behavior and one shed burglary were listed.

B Pop Up Youth Club – 21 May (19.00 – 20.30 hours) on New Earswick green had been co-ordinated by the PCSO.

C Dates for future Drop Ins – 27.5.26 (emphasis on road safety) and 5.6.26 (10 – 11.00 hours).

26.05.08 **Membership of the Council**

Three vacancies remained.

26.05.09 **To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 April, 2026**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 April, 2026 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

26.05.10 **To Approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 20 April, 2026**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 20 April were approved as a correct record. It was noted that SB was querying with YLCA regarding the timing for approval of Annual Parish Meetings following the internal auditor's comments.

26.05.11 **To appoint Members to Committees of the Council and as representatives on outside organisations**

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Vice Chair Person - CR

Finance Committee - RL, CR, AS, PV

Bank Signatories - RL YO (CD, SG)

General Purposes and Planning Committee – RL, AS, JW

Rights of Way Officer - YO

Nature Reserve - YO

Board of Trustees - Friends of New Earswick Pool – Noted PV was a Trustee

River Foss Society - JW

York Bus Forum - RL

Our Haxby Community (Patient Group) - JW

Yorkshire Local Councils Associations – RL, CR

Recycling Initiatives - YO

Emergency Planning – RL, YO, SB

Defibrillator Guardian – YO, SB

All Members agreed they would if required support/attend specific events/meetings.

26.05.12 **To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting**

None raised.

26.05.13 **To receive correspondence since the previous meeting other than that circulated for information**

A The Local Government Boundary Commission for England – Consultation – No changes to the New Earswick area.

B Expansion of Smoke Control Areas for the whole of York – Noted.

26.05.14 **Annual accounts 2025-26**

A To receive the Internal Auditor's written report for 2025-26.

RESOLVED: It was agreed that the recommendations included in the report would be considered in detail at the next meeting of the Finance Committee.

B To note the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2025-26 included at page 3 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025-26.

RESOLVED: That the Internal Audit report be received.

C To approve Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2025-26 for New Earswick Parish Council on page 4.

RESOLVED: That the Annual Governance Statement 2025-26 be approved.

D To approve Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2025-26 on page 5.

RESOLVED: That the Accounting Statements be approved.

E To approve the publication of documents required by Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015 and the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities.

RESOLVED: That the supporting documents required by the audit regulations be published on the web site.

RL signed the appropriate pages of the return and these would then be forwarded to the External Auditor.

26.05.15 **Confirmation of appointment of Internal Auditor for the 2026-27 financial year**

RESOLVED: That Elkerlodge Services Limited be appointed as Internal Auditor for the following financial year.

26.05.16 **Renewal of annual insurance – quotations**

The cost of the annual insurance had increased. Discussions had taken place with the current provider relating to specific items (fidelity guarantee and assets value). This would be considered in more detail at the next Finance Committee. An additional quotation had been sought.

26.05.17 **Planning consultations**

A 26/00671/FUL – 37 Park Avenue, New Earswick YO32 4DB
Single storey rear extension

B 26/00757/TCA – 7 White Rose Avenue, New Earswick YO32 4AG
Fell 2 no. Silver birch. Trees in a Conservation Area

Members had no objections to these applications. Response B.

26.05.18 **Environmental matters/recycling**

YO raised matters in connection with a footpath and tree adjacent to the Nature Reserve. These were the responsibility of JRHT. Confirmation that the Trust had been notified was to be sought.

YO outlined proposals for increasing the profile of recycling projects in New Earswick. There was a local event on 18 July and support from Members would be appreciated.

26.05.19 **Attendance at meetings – Updates from Members**

A York Bus Forum – YO had been unable to attend the previous meeting, but was due to join the on line meeting the following evening.

B Ward Committee events – Details on a number of local events had been circulated.

26.05.20 **To approve the payments listed below**

Income

COYC (Precept) (24.4.26)

15500.00

Payments

A Petty cash	50.00 (20.4.26)
B Elker Lodge Services Ltd (24.4.26)	318.00 (30.4.26)
C Salary May 20.5.26	As agreed
D COYC (room hire) (1.5.26)	900.00 (20.5.26)

In addition payments were agreed to be made for the annual insurance payment and IT support.

RESOLVED: That the above payments be accepted.

26.05.21 **Items for the next meeting – 15 June 2026**

JW raised queries relating to the topics raised at the Resident's Forum (funded by JRHT). It was noted that the Parish Council represented all residents and had a larger geographical area. To be considered further.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.50 hours.

Signed _____ Chair, 15 June, 2026