New Earswick Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
19 October 2026
Business Commenced at 19.00 hours

Attending Councillors:	Roy Love (Chair)	(RL)
	Ian Murphy	(IM)
	Yvonne Orton	(YO)
	Carol Runciman	(CR)
	Audrey Steel	(AS)
	Joan Whitehead	(JW)
Apologies:	Peter Vaughan	(PV)
Visitor:	One resident	
Clerk/Minute Taker:	Sally Bruckshaw	(SB)

26.10.01 **Notices of the meeting**

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

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

As above.

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

The reason for absence was accepted.

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

None received.

26.10.05 **Membership of the Council – Three vacancies**

Three vacancies remained. The member of the public attending queried about the vacancies and outlined some of the voluntary work that they were undertaking currently in New Earswick. Members welcomed this and confirmed that they would be pleased to accept his interest in joining the Council.

26.10.06 **To receive reports on Police matters**

A Monthly update – September – A number of incidents had been reported to the Police including anti-social behaviour and vandalism. There had been some damage to a window and cables at the Primary School

B Dates for future Drop In sessions – None notified.

C Update on pop up youth club events – There had been various correspondence relating to the project. Funding had been secured until the end of February. The problem with the lighting on the MUGA was being dealt with by JRHT and was due to be sorted within the next few days. The possibility of using the Folk Hall as a venue during the winter period was being considered.

26.10.07 **To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 20 July, 2026**

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

26.10.08 **To approve the minutes of the Finance Committee held on 25 June, 2026**

The minutes of the Finance Committee held on 25 June, 2026 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair of the Finance Committee. CR to update Members on her discussions with the Payroll provider (details deferred to item 16).

26.10.09 **Notes from 21 September and 8 October meetings**

As both these meetings had not been quorate they could not proceed. Agenda items requiring formal decisions had been deferred to subsequent meetings. On both occasions, Members had discussed some of the agenda items as a briefing and informal notes had been circulated to all Members of the Parish Council.

26.10.10 **To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings**

A Meeting with JRHT representative – RL and SB had met with the Director of Communities on the 24 September. They had learnt about the wide responsibilities of the role and were able to discuss areas of mutual interest. It was confirmed that a representative from the Trust would attend meetings when available. It was suggested that a list of topics be compiled for a future meeting with JRHT.

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

A COYC – Local Plan 2045 – Scoping consultation – This was the first stage in the planning process for the next local plan involving a call for sites for future development.

B COYC – Boundary Commission – Final recommendations had been notified, subject to Parliamentary approval.

C Esh Living/JRHT – Willow Bank development update – This update had included details of a drop in session, earlier in the month.

26.10.12 **Planning Consultations**

A 26/01753/TCA - Friends Meeting House, New Earswick YO32 4AD
Fell 1 no. cherry in decline – Tree in a Conservation Area

B 26/01817/TCA – Friends Meeting House, New Earswick YO32 4AD
Fell 1 no. London plane tree – Tree in a Conservation Area

Members had no objection to the above applications. Response B.

It was agreed that future applications should be notified to all Members, whilst the vacancies on the Council remained.

26.10.13 **Update on recycling initiatives including the Green Hub**

YO provided and circulated an update on the different projects.

26.10.14 **Attendance by Members at external meetings**

JW confirmed that a meeting of the Patients group was due to be held later in the week.

26.10.15 **Financial matters**

A To consider the annual donation to the Royal British Legion (Section 137)
(Noting arrangements for Remembrance Sunday)

RESOLVED: That a grant of £300 be awarded.

A wreath for the annual Remembrance Ceremony was to be purchased. AS to represent the residents of the Parish.

B Confirmation of the updated Assets Register – To consider further the insurance valuations of assets prior to the next insurance renewal. It was agreed that the Finance Committee would consider the individual items in detail, so that a decision on any potential changes could be made prior to the next insurance renewal.

C Confirmation of the annual PAT electrical testing on the 5 October (all office items passed).

26.10.16 **Staffing matters – Including confirmation of the appointment of the staffing panel**

At this point the member of the public left the meeting. Following the decision of the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to retire, Members needed to confirm the details of the recruitment process. RL, CR, YO and JW agreed to meet to consider this and be part of an interview panel. CR as Chair of the Finance Committee which had responsibility for staffing was to lead and co-ordinate.

26.10.17 **To approve the financial transactions listed below**

Income	
Precept	15500.00 (29.9.26)
Payments	
A Petty Cash	50.00 (20.7.26)
B Information Commissioner (DD)	47.00 (28.7.26)
C Salary (August)	As agreed
D COYC (Room hire) 1.8.26	900.00 (20.8.26)
E PKF Littlejohn LLP (External audit) 19.8.26	252.00 (4.9.26)
F HMRC	1140.22 (20.9.26)
G Salary (September)	As agreed
H Banner Business (8.9.26)	87.96 (21.9.26)
I Judge Electrical (5.10.26)	90.00 (5.10.26)
J Petty Cash	50.00 (19.10.26)
K Salary (October)	As agreed

RESOLVED: That the above payments be accepted.

A payment of £22.00 including a £22.00 credit note (JRF) was also approved.

The quarterly finance statement and bank reconciliation for the period to the end of September had been circulated. YO to carry out a finance check the following day.

26.10.18 **Items for the next meeting – 16 November, 2026**

A Co-option of new Parish Councillor.
B Staffing update.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.00 hours.

Signed _____ Chair, 16 November, 2026