New Earswick Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting
20 July 2026
Business Commenced at 19.00 hours

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

26.07.01 **Notices of the meeting**

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

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

As above.

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

The reason for absence was accepted.

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

None received.

26.07.05 **Membership of the Council**

Three vacancies remained.

26.07.06 **Attendance of COYC Local Area Co-ordinator for Huntington and New Earswick**

The Local Area Co-0rdinator had sent their apologies, owing to personal circumstances. They would be invited to a future meeting.

26.07.07 **To receive reports on Police matters**

A Monthly update – June – Circulated – There had been a number of anti-social incidents. Members noted the recent fire at a property on Rowan Avenue.
B Dates for future Drop In sessions – The latest dates had been notified to Members.
C Update on pop up youth club events - Funding had been received to permit the project to continue for a few more sessions. The possibility of continuing for a longer period was to be researched. SB to follow up.

26.07.08 **To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 15 June, 2026**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 June, 2026 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

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

A Update on Register of Interest documents for Members – COYC had also issued details (16.6.26) and SB confirmed that the changes required had been completed for all New Earswick Members and updated on the Parish web site.

B Overgrown hedges near to the bus stop opposite Rowan Avenue – The hedges had been cut back.

C Progress report from COYC relating to the remedial works to the river bank near the Link Road bridge – A detailed report had been received from the newly appointed Highways and Public Rights of Way Project Manager. This would involve the temporary closure of the footpath whilst further engineering assessments at the site were undertaken.

D Repairs to the Yorkshire Water sub-station near to Station Avenue – Update – SB had contacted Yorkshire Water on several occasions, following their last response in November, 2025. It was agreed that a letter of complaint should be issued to Yorkshire Water, as the building was now in a dangerous condition.

E Consideration of liaison meeting with JRHT – The Chair had written to the Managing Director of JRHT (to be circulated to all Members). Response awaited.

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

A Update from Esh Construction relating to progress on the development at Willow Bank – The latest update had included details of a drop in session at Hartrigg Oaks.

B Improvements to the pathway leading from the Link Road adjacent to the Nature Reserve. JRHT had confirmed that this work would be undertaken.

26.07.11 **Attendance by Members at external meetings**

The latest Bus Forum meeting was due to take place the following day. JW had not received notification of the next Haxby Group meeting date.

26.07.12 JRHT – **The future use of empty properties in New Earswick (Methodist Chapel and Westfield House)**

No further information had been received from JRHT.

26.07.13 **Update from the Finance Committee meeting held on 25 June, 2026**

The draft minutes had been circulated.

A Terms of Reference for the Finance Committee
B Financial Regulations

RESOLVED: That no changes were required to the above two documents.

C Consideration of the Internal Auditor's report for the 2025-26 year – Members had reviewed the report in detail and their recommendations were accepted.

D Matters relating to the salary and conditions of service of the Clerk – CR had contacted the Payroll provider and their recommendations would be discussed with the Clerk and confirmed with the Council.

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

A	Banner Business Solutions	87.96 (20.6.26)
B	Autela Payroll	72.00
C	Salary (July)	As agreed

A petty cash payment of £50 was also authorised.

RESOLVED: That the above payments be accepted.

The quarterly finance statement and bank reconciliation for the period to the end of June had been circulated. YO had carried out a finance check on 23 June, 2026.

26.07.15 **Items for the next meeting**

Members had previously considered the holding of meetings in August.

RESOLVED: That in future there would be no meetings in August.

The date of the next meeting would be 21 September, 2026.

Prior to the close of the meeting it was agreed that Cllr Orton had undertaken significant work in connection with recycling initiatives. Members wished to record their appreciation of this.

No further items were raised.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.35 hours.

Signed _____ Chair, 19 October, 2026