

Date: 22.05.25

LOCKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Unconfirmed Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025

APM01/25 - Apologies: – Parish Councillor Stewart Craig and Jeremy Mason.

Lockington Parish Councillors present were John Rowson, Stephanie Taylor, Jamie Wheldon, Alistair Grant, Amanda Jordan, Ian Jowett and Andrew How.

The Ward Councillor, Jeremy Wilcock, was present.

Visitors: Two parishioners were present at the meeting.

The Clerk, Mr Gareth Rees, was also present.

APM02/25 Review the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**This section of the agenda is to review last year's minutes and serve as a reminder; the minutes have been previously approved at the June meeting.**

(The minutes of the above meeting had been previously circulated to all Parish Councillors for review and subsequent approval. The Parish Councillors present at the meeting agreed that it was a true and accurate record of the meeting and duly approved the minutes, with no amendments, at the June 2024 meeting. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true and proper record on behalf of the Parish Council).

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APM03/25 Lockington Parish Council Chairperson's Report 2023/24.

The Chairman, Parish Councillor John Rowson, presented the Annual Chairperson's report.

**Lockington Parish Council Highlights – Chairman's Report 2024/25**

General

2024/25 has been a very successful year for Lockington Parish Council, some key achievements are;

- Continued development of the Village Green.
- Dead Land drainage improvements.
- Dead Lane Path improvements.
- Two new Parish Councillors
- Bryan Mills' Beck cleaning regime.
- LAVIG continues to improve the local community.

Village Green

Entrance into the Village Green has been constructed in accordance with the ERYC Planning and Highways departments' guidelines.

The boundary hedges have been cut back to facilitate easy maintenance, 14 trees have been planted, and the ground on the west side of the green has been levelled. Three benches have been ordered and are scheduled for delivery in July. The path's route will be closely monitored until the final decision on path material is made, which will depend on the construction cost.

As grants and/or funds become available, we would like suggestions on the next stage of green development.

An open meeting was held and was well attended, with a productive discussion and a clear way forward agreed upon.

Highway Flooding – Dead Lane

The Parish Council persuaded ERYC to upgrade the drains at Dead Lane. The original soakaways did not work, so the drains have been hard piped directly to the Beck.

Additionally, the pathway at the top end of Dead Lane, leading onto Thorpe, has been upgraded with a new surface.

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**Lockington Parish Council Highlights – Chairman’s Report 2024/25 continued;**

**Major Infrastructure Projects**

Hornsea 4 Wind Farm, Dogger Bank Wind Farm, and Kingfisher Solar Farm are all in different stages of planning, design, and subsequent implementation. They continue to be developed in the background (all available details are on the website), and the Parish Council monitors carefully how these projects will affect Aike and Lockington.

**Other**

Some minor highway repairs have been completed throughout the village. The Parish Council continues working with ERYC Highways to optimise any required remedial maintenance.

The Parish Council is attempting to sell a small strip of land to the owner of 1810 Cottage, Thorpe. Heads of Terms have been agreed upon, and legal work with the Land Registry is ongoing.

The Parish Council donated to the Village Hall for the D-Day celebration event.

The Parish Council has engaged with PC Scotter (Beverley Police), who has attended a meeting to discuss policing issues in the village.

The Parish Council has carried out some maintenance on the village bus shelters. Work on the wooden bus shelter is on hold until we determine if we have been successful in a grant application from the Department of Transport for a new bus shelter on the A-164, replacing the existing wooden shelter.

**Planning**

All planning applications have been dealt with sympathetically to maintain and/or enhance the village and maintain its ‘Conservation Village’ status. This can only be achieved within the Parish Council’s scope of influence.

**Parish Councillors**

Dr Angela Harley has resigned from the Parish Council.

Two new Parish Councillors have been co-opted onto the Parish Council, Amanda Jordan (Aike) and Alistair Grant (Rectory Farm). This restores the council to a full complement of nine Parish Councillors.

**Finances**—The Parish Council’s finances have been well managed and are in good shape. Please see the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for full details, which is available on the website and notice boards.

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**Thanks**

To all residents who contributed to the village by attending parish council meetings and giving their time, energy and input at the meetings. Additionally, residents who have taken the time to engage with the Lockington & Aike Village Improvement Group (LAVIG) have contributed to projects that enhance our villages, both in Lockington and Aike.

The Chairman thanked all Parish Councillors for their endeavours and commitment, as all the work and time given is voluntary. The same applies to our hardworking and efficient Parish Clerk, and, of course, to residents who submitted views and attended our meetings, contributing to the discussions on various issues.

**The above report was well-received and noted.**

**APM4/25. Parishioner Question Time.**

There were no questions from the Parishioners.

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