# **Lockington Parish Council**

# <u>Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Held on</u> <u>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024</u>

### 24-25/51 To receive Apologies:

Apologies: Parish Councillors; Angela Harley.

Lockington Parish Councillors present were John Rowson (Chair), Stephanie Taylor, Ian Jowett, Jamie Wheldon, Andrew How, Jerry Mason and Stewart Craig.

Visitors: There were five Parishioners present at the meeting. The Clerk, Mr Gareth Rees, was also present at the meeting.

24-25/52 (a) To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting that took place on Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October 2024.

24-25/52 (b) To approve the minutes of the Village Green Open Meeting that took place on Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October 2024.

The Parish Council agreed that the circulated OPCM minutes and Village Green Open Meeting were a true and correct record of the meeting and duly approved the minutes with no amendments.

Proposer: Parish Councillor Ian Jowett.

Seconder: Parish Councillor Stephanie Taylor.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Resolved: Minutes of the OPCM held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024 be accepted. The Chairman subsequently signed the minutes on behalf of the Parish Council.

<u>24-25/53 (a) To receive and record any Declaration of Interest (Pecuniary, Non-Pecuniary and/or Prejudicial Interest)</u> by any member of the Parish Council in respect of the agenda items listed.

None

<u>24-25/53 (b) To record the nature of Declaration of Interest identified above.</u>

None

## 24-25/54 To review and resolve any East Riding of Yorkshire (ERYC) Council Business:

Feedback from Ward Councillor Jeremy Wilcock.

The Mayoral Combined Authority (MCA) election is in May 2025.

Under the devolution deal, Hull and East Riding agree to forming an MCA, led by a mayor, who will be directly elected by local people every four years.

It is a requirement of the devolution deal that an MCA is put in place.

The two councils will not merge but will remain as separate authorities. They will continue to provide the same services, at the same level, as they do now. An MCA can access funds and has certain powers that the individual councils currently don't have.

There are two confirmed mayoral candidates; Mike Ross (Liberal Democrat) and Anne Handley, (Conservative). Labour is still going through the nomination process, and Reform UK may also have a candidate.

Fireworks – ERYC to discuss the issue of livestock and pets being affected by fireworks.

#### 24-25/55 Parish Council ongoing Business Matters:

a) Access mods (Chicane Barrier)

There has been a lot of negative debate by members of the public regarding the position of the village green entrance, despite the exact location of the access being dictated by ERYC Planning & Highway authorities. The Clerk had put forward a resolution to the PC to improve the safety egress from the Green onto Thorpe, this was to install a chicane barrier. The PC debated this and decided that this was not required at this time, as the PC had complied with the requirements of ERYC Planning & Highways.

Proposer: Parish Councillor Jamie Wheldon. Seconder: Parish Councillor Stuart Craig.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was not accepted.

No further action.

b) Steering Team set up/Working Group set up. This work is ongoing.

#### c) General update

The PC were updated on what work has been completed, namely the boundary hedge had been cut back and the route of the path was agreed in principle.

Tree and Grass Management/Planting will be in position for Spring 25.

#### 24-25/55 Parish Council ongoing Business Matters continued:

55.2 AMEN Field update.

As far as the PC were concerned the sale of Amen field was ongoing.

55.3 Aike Orsted Solar Farm (Proposed).

As discussed in the last meeting, there is a proposal to construct a 2500–3000-acre Solar Farm (SF) on the east side of the A164 Aike/Lockington crossroads. The Parish Council understand that the SF boundary would start on the east side of the A164 would stretch east to the railway line and possibly beyond. The PC have contacted Pier, a company representing Orsted and they have confirmed "the area does look to be where Orsted is undertaking investigations but at this stage I can't confirm any acreage".

To date, there is nothing in the public domain regarding this project, so definitive information is not easy to obtain. The PC are also in touch with Beswick PC, as well as the Ward Councillor Jeremy Wilcock. We have been made aware that the landowners of the proposed SF are in discussion with tenant farmers regarding this project.

The PC are closely monitoring the situation and will give further feedback when available.

55.4 Bench on Front Street outside Village Hall – update.

An update on this bench – a local resident has volunteered to move and relocate the concrete plinth and bench at his own cost. The proposal is to position the bench at a 45-degree angle to the beck facing west.

Providing people neighbouring the bench do not have any objections; it was proposed that the PC accept this offer.

Proposed by Parish Councillor Andrew How. Seconded by Parish Councillor Stephaine Taylor.

Action: Parish Councillor John Rowson to discuss with individuals involved.

Action Date: December 24

# 24-25/56 Correspondence/Clerk

- 56.1 ERYC Rural Matters Campaign Noted.
- 56.2 VE Day 80 8th May 2025.

VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> recognition was discussed and Parish Councillor Stephanie Taylor explained that the Village Hall committee were planning an event and were looking for a grant to help funding.

Action: Clerk asked to contact ERYC and the Ward Councillor to see if there is any grant funding available. Action Date: December 24

- 56.3 East Riding Draft Design Code Consultation Monday 21st October to Monday 2nd December 2024 Noted.
- 56.4 Private Carer and Companion (Serendipity Care).

This was discussed and it was felt that the most appropriate place would be to advertise in the Gazette

- 56.5 a) ERYC Community Governance Review Final Recommendations Noted.
  - b) Skills Matrix (SM) a discussion took place around the development of a SM for the parish council.

Parish Councillor Jamie Wheldon volunteered to develop a SM for the PC to review.

- 56.6 ERNLLCA October Newsletter Noted.
- 56.7 Pavement Licensing Policy Public Consultation Noted.
- 56.8 Round 3 of NEY NZ Hub Energy Project Enabling Fund (EPEF) Noted.
- 56.9 Parishioner correspondence Fireworks/Horses.

This issue was debated, and it was agreed to draft an article for the next gazette. In addition, ERYC are also in discussion regarding this topic.

## 24-25/57 Planning

- 57.1 24/02760/TCA 69 Front Street Lockington East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9SH Crown reduce 1 no. Cherry tree as illustrated to better align with the location and character of the house, and to limit the progression of disease **ERYC Raise No Objections** Noted.
- 57.2 24/02546/PLB Ivy House 28 Thorpe Lockington East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9SW Replacement of windows to front and sides and replacement front door surround and plinths. **ERYC has resolved to grant planning permission** Noted.
- 57.3 24/03267/TCA Fell 1 no. Maple tree (T1) as it is in close proximity to the main building and for insurance purposes; Crown reduce 1 no. Sycamore tree (T2) as illustrated due to the becoming unbalanced with extended limbs; and Fell 1 no. Rowan tree (T3) as it formed poorly and is unsuitable for the location Firdale Kilnwick Lane Lockington East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9SY **LPC debated this application and have 'no observations'**

#### 24-25/58 Finances

58.1 Plan & Budget 2025/26 financial year.

The 2025/26 plan and budget were discussed in detail, giving consideration to the recent parish council asset survey (October 24). After debating it was agreed to increase the budget figure by £462 to a total of £5747 for the next financial year (2025/26).

Proposer: Parish Councillor Ian Jowett proposal was to increase the budget figure to £5747, an increase of £462. This was seconded by Parish Councillor John Rowson.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously.

58.2 Financial Review – First half 2024.

Parish Councillor Ian Jowett reported that he had reviewed the Parish Council accounts in detail, paying particular attention to the following;

- Check accuracy of receipts against bank accounts.
- Check accuracy of expenditure against bank accounts.
- Check Budget Spreadsheet for accuracy and completeness.
- Reconcile Budget Spreadsheet against bank accounts.

There were no discrepancies found with the accounts.

- 58.3 Payment for G&P Plaxton (Hedge Cutting £300
- 58.4 Payment for G&P Aike Grange Ltd Field Cutting £72
- 58.5 Payment for G&P HP Printer paper £24.97

Proposer: Parish Councillor Ian Jowett proposed all three items above be accepted by the PC This was seconded by Parish Councillor John Rowson.

A vote was taken, and the resolution was carried unanimously

## 24-25/59 Public Participation Period - Items for Next Agenda

Solar Farm update. Green development.

The Chairman subsequently signed the minutes on behalf of the Parish Council

Chairmans Name: John Rowson

Chairmans Signature:

Date:

The meeting closed at 2100 hrs.

# 24-25/60 Date of next Meeting

The next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024 @ 1900 hrs in the Village Hall.

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