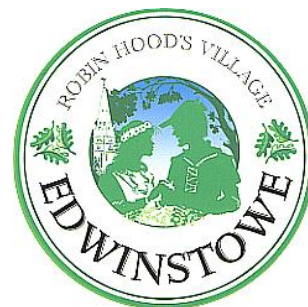


Edwinstowe Parish Council

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Parish Clerk - Alice Dunn



Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2026 at 7.00pm in the Council Chambers, Village Hall, Mansfield Road, Edwinstowe. Public and Press welcome to attend.

Present: - Cllrs Parkin (Chair), J Peck (Vice-Chair), Brooks, Carlton, K Peck, K Watkinson

Apologies: - Cllrs Ayre, Callieu, Freeman, Peacock, Troop

MINUTES

- 25/110 Welcome by the Chair**
The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all present. One person indicated that they were recording the meeting.
- 25/111 Receive Apologies and Reasons for Absence**
Reasons were approved unanimously.
- 25/112 Disclosures of Interests by Members**
Cllrs Carlton and J Peck – non-pecuniary interest agenda item 25/120 (iii)
- 25/113 Approve Minutes of the Full Council Meetings held on Wednesday 12th November 2025** – previously circulated
Clerk to add Cllr Troop to the attendance at the Martyn’s Law training.

Subject to the amendment above, minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.
- 25/114 Matters Arising** – not on the agenda
None
- 25/115 Report from County Councillor on matters relevant to Edwinstowe (5 minutes)**
C/Cllr Gamble not in attendance, no apologies given and no report received.
- 25/116 Report from District Councillors on matters relevant to Edwinstowe (10 minutes)**
D/Cllr Brooks reported on the Local Government reorganisation; the Heritage Working Party and individual casework.

25/117 Public Participation. Standing Orders will be suspended for the duration of this agenda item (15 minutes)

Resident praised the Parish Council for the Christmas event which is extremely well- attended and would like to give recognition for the efforts made by the council.

Resident queried the attendance record of a Councillor and was informed that the appropriate criteria has been met.

Resident requested the leaves on Church Street are swept. **Clerk to request street sweeper**

25/118 To receive questions from councillors (10 minutes)

None that are not already covered on the agenda.

25/119 To receive draft minutes and reports from committees, sub-committees and working groups.

- i. Finance & Governance Committee Meeting
To be reported on at 25/122
- ii. S106 Working Group
A suggestion of a grant administrator is currently being investigated.
Henton Road works are scheduled to start within the next month. There has been a delay with the equipment.
Small grants – local community groups are encouraged to apply for grants up to £1,000 – contact the Clerk for an application form.
- iii. Human Resources Committee
Discussed staff training and the appraisal schedule.
- iv. Allotment Committee – date to be set in February
- v. Events Working Group – date changed to 4th February 2026

25/120 Parks & Open Spaces

- i. Henton Road Play Area Upgrade – Update
See 25/119 (ii)
- ii. Hanging Baskets/Watering – Update
Additional staff hours for the summer watering season have been agreed. **Clerk to advertise post**
- iii. Memorial Wood – Update
This is the wood at the top of Forest Cemetery. It has been established that it is land owned by Thoresby Estates and leased to Sherwood Forest Trust.
There is an intention to renew the lease to also include the Parish Council.
The Parish Council would like an assessment of the condition of the area and an idea of future obligations. **Clerk to invite representative from Sherwood Forest Trust to next meeting.**

25/121 Buildings & Facilities

- i. Fourth Avenue Bowls Pavillion and Disused Bowling Green Update
The Parish Council wants to surrender the lease for the second bowling green on Fourth Avenue. There is currently 16 years remaining. The cost

is approximately £7k due to CISWO requesting the demolition costs for the pavillion are borne by the Parish Council.

After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed to write to CISWO requesting accurate costings for the surrender of the lease. It was agreed to write to Michelle Walsh MP. **Chair/Clerk to write letters**

- ii. Workshop/Store
Project agreed by s106 Working Group; now with NSDC legal department
- iii. Mansfield Road Toilets Update
Project agreed by s106 Working Group; now with NSDC legal department

25/122

Finance & Governance Matters

- i. Approval of November and December Income and Expenditure and Reserve Accounts – previously circulated
Approved unanimously
- ii. Bills for Payment – previously circulated
Approved unanimously
- iii. Late Bills for Payment – previously circulated
Approved unanimously
- iv. Approval of 2026.27 Precept
Additional hours have been agreed to cover a seasonal worker for the watering period – 20hrs per week 1st June – 30th September.
The Parish Council van lease is ending in February. The Parish Council agreed in July 2025, to switch to lease an electric van.
It was proposed to request a precept of £228,535 for 2026/27. This is an increase of £7,000 but due to new housing equates to a 0% rise in the Parish Council element of the council tax bills.
Proposed – Cllr J Peck, seconded Cllr Parkin
Agreed unanimously
Thank you to the Clerk for her support over the past year.
Due to the Local Government Reorganisation, we may lose some of the grants we received from NCC and NSDC.
- v. Assertion 10
There is new guidance relating to this year’s Annual Return focusing on digital and data compliance. Councils must take steps to ensure compliance with relevant legislation particularly around the importance of managing digital data effectively.

25/123

Correspondence

NSDC – Greener Gateways

This is an initiative from NSDC. After a discussion and considering the costs involved, it was agreed not to proceed this year. **Clerk to pass to Edwinstowe in Bloom for information.**

25/124

Planning Matters – Cllr Brooks left the meeting

Applications

25/01985/FUL

Conversion of agricultural buildings to create 3 no. 3 and 4 bedroom dwellings

Black Hills Farm, Ollerton Road

No objection subject to the following –

- The appropriate licenses are in place

- Due to the proximity to an existing Right of Way, improved signage/passing place are considered
- Hedges and trees – where possible these are retained
- Cumulative effect on existing services especially health services is noted

25/02002/LBC	Removal of existing conservatory and replacement with new sunroom Edwinstowe Hall, Church Street This is a notable and cherished building. The Parish Council concurs with the comments made by NSDC Conservation Officer.
25/02001/HOUSE	Removal of existing conservatory and replacement with new sunroom Edwinstowe Hall, Church Street This is a notable and cherished building. The Parish Council concurs with the comments made by NSDC Conservation Officer.
25/02047/HOUSE	Retention of garage (as constructed) Holly House, 5 East Lane No material objections
25/02133/TPO	Undertake tree works to tree protected by TPO N110 Group 1 – Rufford Road Lidgett House, 18 Rufford Road Works already completed
Decisions – All noted	
24/00289/OUTM	Outline application for the erection of up to 190 dwellings including public open space, landscaping etc Application permitted
25/01625/TPO	Undertake works to lime trees protected by TPO N448 2025 Birklands, 42 Mansfield Road Application permitted
25/01615/LDCP	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed installation of at interpretation panel board St Mary's Church Certificate issued
25/01760/HOUSE	Detached garage/outbuilding Orchard 9a Friend Lane Application permitted
25/01859/LDCP	Certificate of lawfulness for proposed erection of an outbuilding

2 Birkland Drive
Certificate issued

25/02060/TPO

Undertake works to tree protected by TPO N448 2025
Birklands, 42 Mansfield Road
Application permitted

Meeting closed 1953hrs

25/125 **Confidential matters are minuted separately --**
Confidential Matters
i. Staffing

25/126 **Date of Next Meetings –**
Full Council – 11th February 2026
Cemetery Working Group – 28th January 2026
Allotment Working Group – TBC
Events Working Group – 4th February 2026