

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 07 MAY 2026 AT 7.35PM IN THE YOUTH CENTRE, HALL LANE

1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASON FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Hopkins and Pritchard and from Dist Cllr Ashton

Present: Cllrs Burton, Sherriff, Moseley, Jones, Pocklington and Edwards (Chairman)

Also present: Dist Cllr Jones and five members of the public

2. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

a. County Cllr Hume was not present.

b. Dist Cllr Jones reported:

- i. ELDC have spent £1.10m on the purchase of some woodland to preserve it.
- ii. Horncastle Festival of the Wolds will be held on 16 May.
- iii. There are digital skill 'drop in's' taking place in various areas – details are on the ELDC website.
- iv. 11 – 17 May is Stop Loan Sharks Week
- v. The Ageing Well Team at ELDC want ambassadors for people over 50 years of age.
- vi. Grants are available from the Orsted Windfarm between £1000 and £50,000, these are for community groups and for Parish Councils.
- vii. Councillor grants are available again this year, each Dist Councillor has £4000 to spend in their area.
- viii. The County Councillors have a grant of £3000 to be spent in their area.
- ix. The decision for councils all joining into one or two councils will be made by 19 July 2026.

7.45pm Dist Cllrs Jones and two members of the public left the meeting

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011

There were no declarations of interest.

4. NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 02 MAY 2026 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS THE MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Pocklington and seconded by Cllr Burton that the minutes be signed as a true record, all agreed.

5. CLERK'S REPORT

- a. The Clerk reported that the insurance renewal has now been received at a cost of £1685.01.
- b. The picnic area and cemetery issues were discussed in the public forum prior to the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman had nothing to report

Signed:

Date:

7. AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

- a. To complete the Annual Governance Statement
- i. The Chairman read out the statements and ticked the relevant boxes on receiving replies from the Councillors.
 - ii. The Annual Governance Statement was signed where required.
- b. To approve the Accounting Statement
- i. The Clerk read out the figures in the Accounting Statement, these were approved by the Council.
 - ii. The Accounting Statement was signed where required.
- c. To confirm the dates for the Electors Rights
The Clerk reported that the dates for the Electors Rights are 03 June – 14 July

8. FINANCE REPORT:

- a. Authority for payment:
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| i. Salaries (April) | 1058.17 |
| ii. Clerk's expenses – April | 119.74 |
| iii. Reconomy (Cemetery Skip - April) | 46.20 |
| iv. Haines Watts (PAYE work) | 28.50 |
| v. Bolingbroke Deanery (May magazine) | 112.50 |
| vi. AGS Groundworks (Work in the village as required) | 200.00 |
| vii. TJW Services (Footpath cuts) | 468.00 |
| viii. Stickney Community VH and YC (room hire) | 25.00 |
| ix. E L Arnold (bags for magazines) | 9.99 |
| x. E L Arnold (cable ties) | 19.99 |
| xi. Gallagher Insurance (Annual premium) | 1685.01 |
| xii. Anglian Water (cemetery supply – d/d) | 18.12 |
| xiii. Bank of Scotland charges | 4.25 |
- b. The balances in bank at 29 April:
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| Current account | | £24,037.42 |
| Pension account | | £7,672.01 |

9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR DECISION

The Parish Council SUPPORTED the following planning applications:

00473/26/FUL	Mr A Kirk	Change of use of land to form an extension of the existing business and provision of a car park, erection of 2m high fencing, excavation of land to form an attenuation pond and provision of bunding at Plot 1 at Former 'The Prefab', Gordon Drive, Stickney
00511/26/FUL	Mr Dene Lingham	Extension to existing camping and caravan site to provide 12 no. holiday lodges, retention of 2 no. mobile homes, change of use of existing outbuilding to form a toilet block and the excavation of a fishing lake with associated parking and landscaping at Wood Farm Fishing Lake and Camp Site, East Fenside, Stickney
00574/26/OUT	Mr P Chapman	Outline erection of 1 no. dwelling at Land at The Paddocks, West Fen Lane

Signed:

Date:

10. TO REPORT PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM ELDC

FULL planning permission has been received for:

00283/26/RVC Erin Lakes Section 73 application to vary condition 1 (approved plans) previously imposed on planning application permission reference S/120/000965/23 for the erection of a restaurant and bar at Greenacres Farm, Midville Road.

11. TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE SITE FOR A BUS SHELTER AT MAIN ROAD

- a. The Clerk offered a few choices of bus shelter for Councillors to consider.
- b. A decision was made and the dimensions will be given to the landowner where the shelter will be sited.
- c. The Clerk will check if planning permission is required for the bus shelter.
- d. Highways will be contacted to check if there are any issues for them.
- e. The Clerk will get prices for the shelter chosen.

12. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING GOV.UK EMAIL ADDRESSES

An offer of help has been received and will be accepted in due course.

13. HIGHWAYS:

- a. To receive update on Community Speed Watch
 - i. Seven sites have been approved for the CSW team.
 - ii. The equipment required was listed and it was approved that the following be purchased: Sign and speed gun; signs; jackets; clickers and clip boards.
- b. Any other highway matter
 - i. There is an issue with litter being dropped in some areas of the village, mainly cans that can be recycled.
 - ii. Green Lane has a very poor surface, the issues on this Lane will be reported on Fix my Street.
 - iii. Medlam Bridge has been reported as repaired, but the work done was not as reported, this will be reported again on Fix my Street.

14. PLAY AREA

- a. To receive play area report
Cllr Boseley will visit the play area at the weekend and do a couple of jobs that need to be carried out.
- b. To receive update regarding the new bins
One new bin has been sited in the play area and the second will be fitted in due course.

9.45pm Two member of the public left the meeting

15. TO DISCUSS STEPS TO APPOINT A NEW CLERK

- a. CV's will be sent to all Councillors with names and addresses removed
- b. Information regarding a contract, the role of a clerks and payscales will be sent to all Councillors.
- c. A further advert for the position will be put on the Community Facebook page with a closing date for applications.
- d. All Councillors will put any questions forward via the interviewing Councillors.
- e. Three Councillors will interview prospective candidates.

Signed:

Date:

16. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED NOT COVERED ON THE AGENDA

A brochure was made available to Councillors.

17. MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. To receive questions for the interview for Clerk
- b. To receive update on the paving at the Horbling Lane bench

18. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

04 June 2026 at 7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting with a Public Forum from 7.15pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed:

Date: