

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES ON TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs: Eleanor Robinson (Chair), Jason Billin, Trevor Lawton, Mel Roper, David Davis, Kevin Shaw, Chris Jennison, Liz Taylor, Mike Sharpe, and Susan Davis.

Also present: Sue Lewis (Clerk), and Cllr Carys Thomas (RBC)

26/066 Apologies for Absence Cllrs Chris Garbett, Wendy Thompson, Will Birch Donna Griggs, Sandra Johnson, Chris Jennison, Lesley Way (RBC) & Andy Brown (NCC) reasons given and approved

26/067 Chair's Announcements

The Neighbourhood Plan Group are holding a Consultation Event on 16/17th October and have produced a leaflet which is to be delivered to every household in the village – Volunteers are required to help deliver the leaflet.

26/068 Declaration of Interest in Items on the Agenda
None

26/069 To Receive Reports from Outside Bodies including County and Borough Councils

Cllr Carys Thomas

- All change on LGR as it has been paused; we don't know what will happen. Next lot of elections will go back to being every 4 years for both Rushcliffe and Parish.
- Cllr Lesley Way is attending the Licencing Committee where the main topics will be Taxis and CCTV.
- West Bridgford is proceeding with a Community Governance Review to explore the possibility of establishing a Town Council. The process is expected to take approximately one year and would provide West Bridgford with its own local identity and representation.
- Planning Committee Reforms are changing, no longer Councillors will be able to call in a planning application, most applications will now be decided by officers, there will be a gateway process whereby they can request applications to be called in. The gateway is operated by the Chief Planning Officer.
- There was a special Planning Committee meeting last week to discuss the extension of the Nottingham Forest Football Ground which was approved.

Cllr Stuart Matthews

- He thought the meeting we called for Anti-Social Behaviour was well attended. He and Cllr Andy Brown will be meeting Inspector Tim Cuthbert at County Hall to discuss crime including speeding and parking.
- NCC have been requested to withdraw their judicial review by the Government regarding LGR.
- Roads – An update was provided on the condition of local roads following the significant amount of work undertaken. An emergency 10-person team has now been established to respond to urgent road issues within 72 hours, with the aim of improving the condition of roads compared with last year.

26/070 To Approve as a True Record Minutes of the following meetings: -

- Parish Council Meeting 25th August 2026 (pages 43-45)
Any matters arising for information only:

Proposed Cllr Eleanor Robinson Seconded Cllr David Davis
Agreed Unanimously

- Planning Committee – 8th September 2026 (pages 46)

Proposed Cllr Eleanor Robinson Seconded Cllr David Davis
Agreed Unanimously

- Personnel & Finance – 8th September 2026 (pages 47-48)

Proposed Cllr Kevin Shaw Seconded Cllr David Davis
Agreed Unanimously

Cllr Mel Roper declared an interest in this item and did not vote.

RESOLUTION

That the Parish Council approve a grant of £10,513.44 net to ELPFC in principle based on the current amount paid by the Parish Council. Going forward, the grant will be index-linked and subject to an annual review. ELPFC will be required to provide a copy of the relevant quotation and/or invoice to support the amount requested.

Proposed Cllr Kevin Shaw Seconded Cllr David Davis
Agreed 9 in favour with 1 abstention

- Amenities Committee – 15th September 2026 (pages 49-50)

Proposed Cllr David Davis Seconded Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously

RESOLUTION

That Cllr Wendy Thompson submits the application form for 2 Cherry, 2 Field Maple & White Willow and 1 Whitebeam.

Proposed Cllr David Davis Seconded Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously

26/071 To Discuss and Consider the proposal from RoxS Events to hold a Festival on the Recreation Ground

The Chair referred to the proposal previously circulated. Following a discussion the following resolution was made

RESOLUTION

That the Parish Council supports the proposed event, subject to the following points being addressed:

- That The Round Robinn and The Romans are included in the consultation with local hostellers.
- That the potential impact of the event's lighting on East Midlands Airport operations is considered, given East Leake's location beneath the flight path.
- That the event has a 10.00pm finishing time.
- That all residents/neighbours are contacted in advance and informed of the event, including the proposed opening and closing times.

**Proposed Cllr Mike Sharpe
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Liz Taylor

26/072 To Discuss and Consider quotation for the Extension of the Car Park on Gotham Road

The Clerk referred to the three quotations received for extending the Gotham Road Car Park

1. £60,084.00
2. 90,878.82
3. 74,096.30

RESOLUTION

That the Parish Council approve Quotation 1 from Kenway Construction **in principle**, noting that the quotation may need to be revised depending on when the works can commence. The Clerk to contact Rushcliffe Borough Council to establish whether planning permission is required.

**Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Liz Taylor

26/073 To Discuss and Consider the grant request for the Bantams Football Club following receipt of more information

Following consideration of the grant application, including the breakdown of the funding requested and information provided by members of the ELPFC Committee regarding the Bantams' intention to seek funding from the Football Foundation, the following resolution was made:

RESOLUTION

It was agreed to decline the current grant application and invite the Bantams to submit a further application next year under the Parish Council's new Grants Policy, which will include a separate grant fund for larger grant applications.

**Proposed Cllr Eleanor Robinson Seconded Cllr Jason Billin
Agreed Unanimously**

26/074 To Receive Feedback on the Public Meeting regarding Anti-social Behaviour and agree any actions

The Chair referred to the report previously circulated and invited feedback from Members, including any actions the Parish Council should consider taking.

Members agreed that the meeting had been very positive and that a follow-up meeting should be arranged in a few months' time.

It was also agreed that the Parish Council would promote the youth clubs available in the village, either through an article in the next newsletter or via social media. In addition, posters promoting positive behaviour would be produced and displayed, with copies also provided to local schools.

26/075 To Receive Updates on:

Health Centre - No further update

ST – Update on Pumping Station – letter previously circulated on the roadworks

Baptist Church – The Clerk reported on behalf of Cllr Sandra Johnson that a project enquiry report had been submitted to the Lottery Heritage Fund, and we should hear the outcome over the next few weeks due to backlog of enquiries.

26/076 To Receive Verbal Reports from Sub-committees, Working Parties, Coordinators and Portfolio holders

The Clerk reported that she and a couple of councillors had attended an on-line seminar on the new Planning Reforms – notes which have been circulated to all council members.

Cllr Mel Roper – ELPFC reported that out of the blue ST contacted the pavilion to do some work regarding flooding and they put in new soak aways, a non-return valve and re-directed the rainwater from the roof out in to the ditch all for free!

Cllr Jason Billing – will be attending a meeting with Josh Wells NCC, members of the Parish Council and Borough at County Hall on an update on the NFM study

Cllr Mike Sharp – Village Hall, the repairs to the drains are being carried out week commencing 19th October.

26/077 To Approve Bill Payments, Bank Transfers, Direct Debits, and Salaries for September

The previously circulated list was approved.

Additional items since list was circulated:

DD	£978.58	Nest Pension
DD	£31.91	EDF PO Gas
BACS	£1120	Ladybug Garden Services - Groundsman
BACS	£12.41	Amazon – Gloves
RECT	£20.57	Amazon – Credit
RECP	£155,153	RBC – 2 nd Half Parish Precept

26/078 To Report Correspondence Received – for information only

1. NCC/Via – Notification of Temporary Road Closure for Remembrance Day – Noted
2. Lydia Coles, ST Comms – update on roadworks on Gotham Road – Noted
3. Email from resident on Heavenside requesting Parish Council support in their objection to removing fencing at the end of the cul-de-sac and create a connection to Hardy Way – Clerk replied saying when it goes to Consultation the Parish Council will consider their comments.
4. NALC Newsletter previously circulated.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm