

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL, HELD AT EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES ON TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs: David Davis (Chair), , Mel Roper, Sandra Johnson, Mike Sharpe, Liz Taylor. Susan Davis & Chris Jennison

Also present: The Clerk, Sue Lewis and Cllr Trevor Lawton

26/AME/035 Apologies for Absence Cllrs Eleanor Robinson, Will Birch, & Wendy Thompson reasons given and accepted

26/AME/035 Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda - None

26/AME/036 Chair's Announcements - None

26/AME/037 To report any Matters Arising from Minutes of the Meeting held 18th August 2026

26/AME/029 – Tree Survey request for quotations have been sent to three contractors.

26/AME/022 – New drop-down bollards have been installed to the entrance of Meadow Park

26/AME/038 To Consider Request for a swing on Oldershaw Trust Land

Following a discussion, it was agreed to add the request for a swing to next year's budget.

26/AME/039 To Consider Rushcliffe Borough Council's Tree Scheme 2026/27

The Clerk reported that Cllr Wendy Thompson in her absence sent through her recommendations for trees as follows:

- Replace Jubilee Tree on Oldershaw – Cherry
- Replace three on the Glebe – Field Maple & White willow x 2
- Replace Hawthorn (1) - Whitebeam In front of new car park Opposite the Pavilion

It was also suggested that a Cherry could be planted on The Green in replace of one that was taken out a few years ago.

RECOMMENDATION

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

**Proposed Cllr David Davis
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Mel Roper

26/AME/040 To Discuss Future Projects for consideration in preparing the budget

The following projects were put forward for consideration in next years budget –

- Painting of BT Green boxes – permission needed from Open Reach
- Footpath at the back of Meadow Park near Nixon Walk
- Play Equipment/Replacement/Climbing Frame

- Extension of Skate Park
- New Noticeboard – Castle Hill
- Extension of CCTV
- More Artwork
- Extra bins
- Changing the Planters in centre of village in to seating
- Pinfold
- Tourism
- Burial Ground Entrance Road

26/AME/041 Update on On-Going Projects

Gateways – No further updates

Artwork – The bridges and toilets have now been touched up and he is due to come back Friday/Saturday this week to do the anti-vandal varnish on the Works Depot doors

Costock Road Dirt Track - The Clerk reported that a copy of the contractor's insurance policy has now been received and has been forwarded to the Parish Council's Insurance Company for confirmation that the level of cover is adequate, as the contractor currently has £2,000,000 public liability insurance.

Cllr Chris Jennison put forward an alternative proposal for the bridge, suggesting that a piped crossing could be installed instead of constructing a wooden bridge structure.

Christmas Trees – The Clerk reported that the Christmas trees had been ordered early due to the dry summer, which is expected to result in a shortage of trees. A decision was also required regarding the Christmas tree in St Mary's Churchyard. Following discussion, it was agreed that the tree should remain in its original position, but that new housing be installed to provide greater security and stability.

Update on To Do List – There was nothing further to add to the report. The Clerk was asked to remove completed items and to follow up with David Wilson regarding the finger posts. The Clerk was also asked to follow up with Severn Trent and the Health Centre regarding the cutting back of trees around the pumping station and to the rear of the library and also the Burial Ground entrance road.

26/AME/042 To Report Correspondence received since the last meeting – for information only

1. Email from Future Scooter CIC enquiring about running scooter coaching sessions on the skate park – offer declined due to costs

The meeting closed at 8.30pm