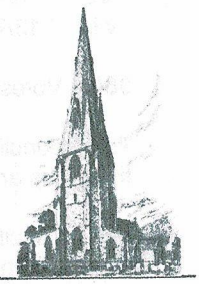
Draft Minutes are subject to approval at the next council meeting

Minutes of Parish Meeting of Ewerby and Evedon Parish Council held on Wednesday 29th July 2026 at 7.30 pm in the Reading Room, Ewerby



Present:
Parish Cllrs N. Scott (Chairman), C. Marshall, C. Issitt, E. Drayton, A Lister-Tomlinson, Mrs M-A Sardeson (Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

Absent Councillors:
Cllr D Broadberry (Dep Chairman), Cllr M. Head, Cllr B Lord

28/26 Welcome – Cllr Scott welcomed all present to the meeting.
Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr D Broadberry and Cllr M. Head.

29/26 Notes of the previous meeting – the draft minutes of the Council meeting held on the 6th May 2026 approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

30/26 Matters arising from previous meeting : Michael Scott Memorial Bench – expected March 2027; Winchelsea Graves – decision on rent increase to be made by Lord Winchilsea later in the year; Salt container – Clerk to arrange with LCC for autumn 2026; New banking arrangements – ongoing; hedge cutting at Evedon Church – in hand; Parish Council elections – no action currently required. Council business will continue as normal throughout 2026 and into early 2027. NKDC is expected to issue nomination papers and the election timetable in March/April 2027. The new unitary authority will take effect in April 2028.

31/26 Matters arising: **Proposal – Management of Cremated Remains Interments**

New Cremated Remains Area
Resolved to approve, in principle, the creation of a new dedicated cremated remains section within the cemetery, subject to the preparation of a layout and implementation plan.

Management of Cremated Remains Interments
Resolved to authorise the Clerk, in consultation with Cllr Marshall where necessary, to manage cremated remains interments on behalf of the Council, including liaising with families, allocating plots, collecting fees, maintaining cemetery records, issuing Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial, and processing memorial applications in accordance with an approved procedure.

Cremated Remains Policy
Resolved that the Clerk prepare a Cremated Remains Interment Policy for Council approval and publication on the Parish Council website.

32/26 Playground Safety Inspection – Due in August. Cllr Drayton reported that several of the timber stepping posts are rotten and may need replacing.

33/26 Receipts and Payments

i. Mrs Sardeson shared the receipts and payments. The balance in the bank of 29/07/26 is £7,152.26
ii. **Receipts:** HMRC £30.71 **Payments:** NKDC Cemetery Council Tax £76.91 Clear Insurance annual Fee: £418.15; Bank Charges, £17.00. Clerk wages: £150 (Third quarter including expenses);

34/26 Planning Matters :
26/0799/PNND Barn To The North Of The Grange Waithe Lane Ewerby Thorpe No comments
26/0867/HOUS Erection of single store carport and shed Ewerby Thorpe Lodge, Ewerby Thorpe) No comments

35/26 To receive Correspondence

i. 11/6 Results from Archer Survey
ii. 15/6 Details on Orchard Tree offer from Woodlands Trust
iii. 15/6 Bulletin from Campaign to Protect Rural England
iv. 18/6 Lincolnshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Proposed Submission Version

v. 22/6 Temporary Traffic Restriction Ewerby Waithe Common (3/08/26-7/09/26)
vi. 10/7 Decision on planning application for Former Hoplands LCC Depot, Sleaford
vii. 13/7 Councillors Community Grant Fund

36/26 Votes of Thanks

The Council recorded its thanks to **Richard and Alison Stocks** for cutting the playground hedges and mowing the grass around the outside of the playground.

The Council also wished to record its sincere thanks to everyone who supported the Ewerby Fete on 20 June through donations, prizes, baking, volunteering and attendance. Particular thanks were extended to **Tracey from Boughton, Pat Penistan's daughter and son in law: Helen and Lee, Andy Priestley, Phil Hooton, Jane and John Gibson, The Finch Hatton Arms, Dave and Rosie Priestley, John and Janice Glew, Hare and Beauty** and **Emon Khan** for generously hosting the event in his garden.

37/26 Any Other Business

i. Main Street and Thorpe Road Hedges – It was noted that the hedges at No. 27 Main Street and on the corner of Main Street/Thorpe Road were overgrown. The hedge on corner has now been cut. The owner of the remaining hedge will be approached and asked if it can be trimmed.
ii. Play Area Warning Signage – A member of the public noted the absence of a "Slow" road marking/sign and a "Children Playing" warning sign near the playground at the end of the village. Cllr Lister-Tomlinson will investigate further.
iii. Beacon Fen DCO – The decision is expected in approximately three weeks' time and will be made by the new Secretary of State. Cllr Lister-Tomlinson agreed to circulate the Planning Inspectorate's recommendation/report to members as soon as possible.
iv. Playground Hedges – It was noted that the playground hedges require more regular trimming to prevent them becoming difficult to maintain. Cllr Scott will discuss a way forward with James Sardeson.

DATES OF THE NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 4th November 2026
Wednesday 3rd February 2027
Wednesday 12th May 2027 (within 14 days of Council Election on Thursday 6th May 2027)

There being no further business, Cllr Scott closed the meeting at 8.03 pm

Signed: _____

Date: 4/11/26.