

# Parish Assembly

28 April 2026

19:00hrs

Village Hall



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# Eydon Parish Council Report

- **Meets:** Second Tuesday of the month  
Village Hall, 19:30hrs  
All welcome
- **Councillors:** Keith Simmons, Kim Keeble, Howard Carter, Luke Alexander, Lisa Genovese, Andy Reynolds + 1 Vacancy
- **Chair:** Keith Simmons **Vice Chair:** Kim Keeble
- **Clerk & RFO:** Steven Fox

# Precept 2026/27

- Eydon Precept is part of your Council Tax Bill
- Average increase in Town & Village Precept in England 8.2%
- Eydon increase 5% to £30,445
- By comparison Culworth precept is £39,900



# Council Finances

	Year to 31 March 2026	Year to 31 March 2025
Reserves	£61,723	£65,018
Income	£35,648	£36,943
Spend	£35.790	£32,896

# WNC Local Plan

The WNC Local Plan is a strategic planning document guiding development, housing, infrastructure and environmental protection in West Northamptonshire until 2043.

## Purpose and Scope

The WNC Local Plan sets out how communities in West Northamptonshire will grow and develop over the coming decades. It determines where new homes and employment land will be located, how town centres will be regenerated, and how transport, infrastructure and green spaces will be managed and protected. The Plan also ensures sustainable development, balancing housing and employment needs with environmental protection and community priorities.

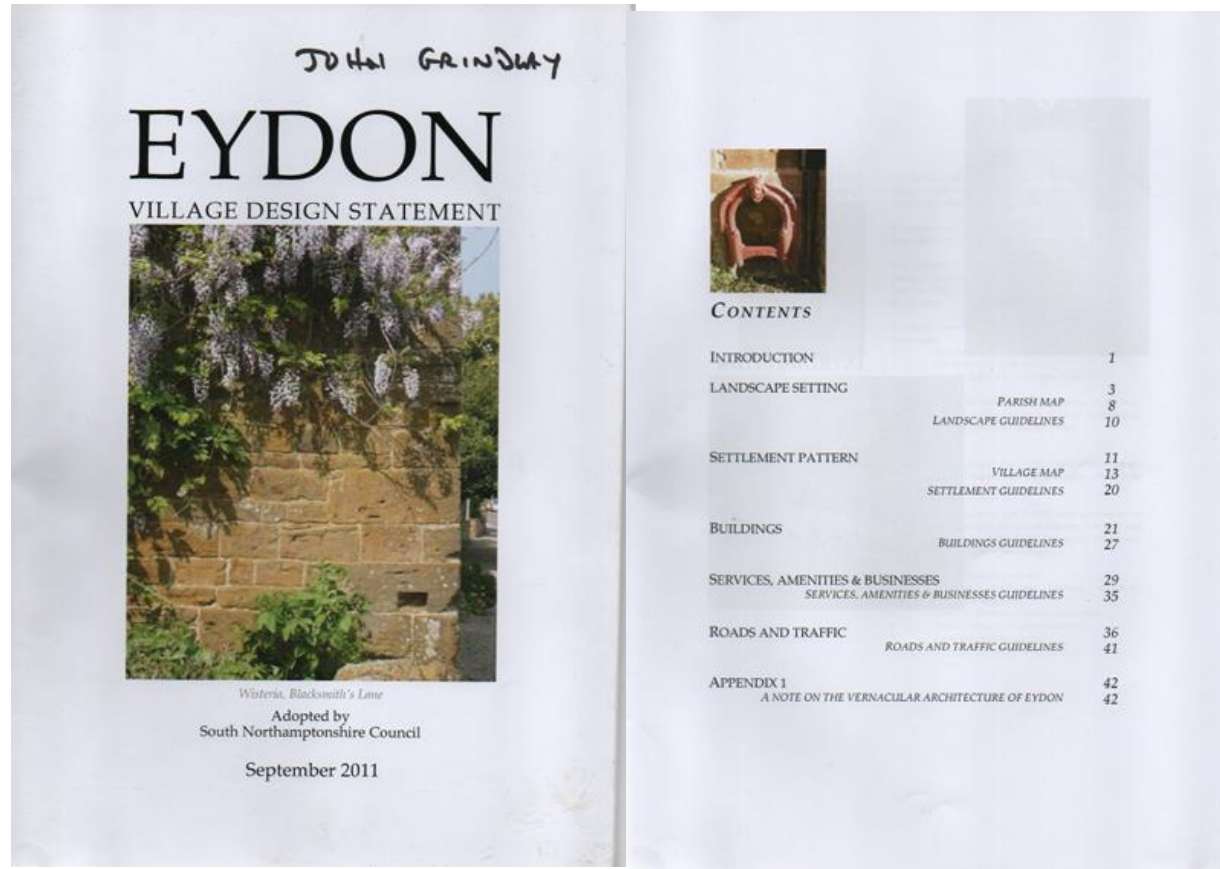
=>Eydon Parish Council has responded on your behalf.

Copies of the Plan and our Response can be found at  
[EydonParish.Gov.Uk](http://EydonParish.Gov.Uk)



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# Village Design Statement (VDS)



- Time to re-new!
- Volunteers please contact

[Keith.Simmons@EydonParish.Gov.Uk](mailto:Keith.Simmons@EydonParish.Gov.Uk)

# Liaison WNC Planning



- Around a dozen Planning Applications every year
- Requires expertise and commitment to respond to WNC on behalf of village

# Grass Cutting Contract

- Generally, very positive feedback on existing contractor
- Price held for this year
- Extended for further 3 years



# Cemetery Bin Storage

- Used for Cemetery bins
- General storage area
- Smart and unobtrusive
- We will install a Water Butt during the year



# Village History Signs

- Created by Eydon Historical Research Group
- Lots of fascinating facts and history
- Largely paid for by HS2
- Two signs, one on Village Green, the other by Morton Triangle



# New Welcome to Eydon Pack

Eydon Village 



- Updated by Councillor Luke Alexander with help from Councillor Lisa Genovese
- Available  
[EydonParish.Gov.Uk](http://EydonParish.Gov.Uk)

# 3 New Grit Bins

- School Lane/Village Green bins replaced
- New bin at Manitoba Way
- Smaller in size
- With scoops
- Installed by Councillor Andy Reynolds



# Liaison with WNC/Kier Highways/HS2

- 85 Potholes reported during 2025
- Average time to fix 22.4 days
- 76 Fixed
- 9 Outstanding
  
- Please review Potholes via [www.FixMyStreet.Com](http://www.FixMyStreet.Com)
- To view data and maps visit, [www.WNC.AI/Wise](http://www.WNC.AI/Wise)



# Litter Pick

Thank you to the volunteers who collected 15 sacks of rubbish plus.....other assortments!



# Supporting the Community

- **Music Ensemble:** EPC provided £750 of support, which was backed up with £250 from HS2

Event was able to donate over £1000 to St Nicolas Church

- **Eydon Village Hall Centenary:** EPC provided £1500 of support to help enable planning and booking of events

# Defibrillators

- Original Defibrillator installed by EPC on outside of Village Hall
- Free training for Villager organized in 2025, attended by 25 people
- Second Defibrillator now installed on external wall of Coffee Shop at Royal Oak
- Thank you to the Owner of Royal Oak and thank you to AJR Electrical for installing free of charge



# Considerate Parking

- Please show respect
- Report continual nuisance to the Clerk



# Freedom of Eydon

- To recognize significant and sustained support of village activities
- Process established
- First 3 Awards made



## Eydon Parish Council Freedom of Eydon Award

2024 - Barry McRoberts  
- Sally Stretton  
- Geoff Stretton

# Better Communication

- Appointed a Media Specialist in July 25
- Since then, 78 WhatsApp posts and 87 Website Posts have been made communicating news to residents
- Contact [Media@EydonParish.Gov.Uk](mailto:Media@EydonParish.Gov.Uk)
- To add your name to Email List, WhatsApp Group or Facebook Group
- Or to provide stories and pictures for Eydon Village News



# Future Work

- Do we need/want a footpath along the Culworth Road to the Sports Field??
- We will open this to public debate during the coming year



# Future Work

- Handrail and steps leading into Village Hall need refurbishment
- Will be fixed asap but...
- ...in meantime, please be careful!



# And Finally....



## New Councillors Needed!

- Council AGM 12 May, 7:30 Village Hall
- All welcome

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