Eydon Parish Council

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Council Meeting Minutes 13 October 2026

26/Oct/001 **Councillors present:** Councillors, Kim Keeble, Nic Esselen, Andy Reynolds and Howard Carter were present.

26/Oct/002 **Apologises:** Were accepted from Keith Simmons, Luke Alexander and Lisa Genovese. WNC Councillor Alison Eastwood also sent her apologises

26/Oct/003 **Declaration of Interests:** None

26/Oct/004 **Resolution to approve and sign minutes of 8 Sep 2026:** Carried

26/Oct/005 **Constitution of the Council and Regulatory Requirements:**

In the absence of the Chairman, Keith Simmons the Vice Chair Kim Keeble Chaired the meeting

Councillor Esselen will update his Register of Interests.

26/Oct/006 **Public Comment:** One member of the public was present, they asked questions about the (2024) Anglian Water donation and provided advice regarding several village issues.

26/Oct/007 **Matters Arising:**

a. **Maintenance of Steps into VH.** Councillor Reynolds advised that he is in contact with a contractor and hopes to have the steps repaired in the near future.
b. **Village Design Statement**. This will be carried forward until the return of the Chairman
c. **Water Butt in Cemetery.** The Clerk advised that the contractor intends to complete this work in 2026
d. **Collapse of Church path wall.** The Clerk advised that he has had no reply from the owner of the wall regarding its repair
e. **Discussion on spending of Anglian Water Donations.** The Council agreed that the most equitable and efficient way to distribute these monies was through continuing the policy of low annual Precept increases.
f. **Village History Sign at Ccrumbs**. The Clerk advised that this had been completed.

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g. **Village History leaflet.** The Clerk advised that 1000 leaflet had been printed. Each household had received a copy and a number had been left with Ccrumbs, the Royal Oak and Oboe Wine.

h. **Eydon.Org.Uk.** The Clerk advised that this site is now owned by unrelated third party who is using it as a tool to drive increased hits to commercial website. He has been in contact with our website providers and instructed them to try and regain control of the website. If successful the associated costs maybe up to £500.

i. **Repair of Bench at top of Moreton Triangle.** The Councillors agreed to look at the bench and discuss at the next meeting

j. **Fuel Surcharge on Dog Bin Emptying.** The implementation of a fuel surcharge by the supplier was noted

k. **Perimeter Fence of Cemetery.** Councillors agreed to look at the fence and discuss at next meeting.

26/Oct/008 Resolutions

See 26/Oct/004, 26/Oct/007e, 26/Oct/009a and 26/Oct/009b.

26/Oct/009 Planning Matters

a. **2026/3618. Sunbank Cottage.** The Council had no Objections to the installation of a car charging point

b. **2025/4225 7 Moreton Road**. The Council agreed to seek enforcement of the removal of the hedge and the change of use of the land to garden

26/Oct/010 Highway and byway issues.

a. **Highways**. The Clerk advised that 2 road defects had been reported and that a section of the Byfield Road near to Eydon had been repaired.

b. **TTRO 2627 W811** – The Council noted the temporary closure of the High Street on 12 Dec for a street party.

c. **Rights of Way**.

i The Clerk advised that a tree had fallen on the Bufton Bridle Way and thanked the owner for its prompt removal.

ii **Derelict Sign at top of Blacksmith's Lane.** The Clerk undertook to contact WNC and seek its restoration

iii **Relaunch or "Eydon 7 Footpaths" pamphlets.** The Council agreed that this was a good idea. The Clerk will contact the person who originally created them and seek artwork. Councillor Keeble will seek support from people to walk the walks and update the descriptions

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26/Oct/011 Financial Matters

a. **Receipts.** The Clerk advised that there were receipts totalling £15528.99 for September
b. **Payments & Invoices.** Council Approved a Payments Schedule of £1,847.80
c. **Bank Reconciliation.** The Council noted the Reconciliation Statement showing a total Bank Balance of £76,719.42
d. **Presentation of latest Accounts.** Clerk presented the latest working accounts and answered various questions.
e. **Grass Cutting Contract.** The Councillors are happy with the current supplier and will advise at the next meeting of any areas to be added to the contract .
f. **Budget 2027-28.** The Councillors reviewed the proposed Budget which has a 3.5% increase top the Precept and agreed a vote would be held next meeting.

26/Oct/012 Notable Correspondence.

a. **Immediate Justice System.** The Council noted this scheme and will use it if an appropriate situation occurs.

26/Oct/013 Consultations

The WNC Local Pan Consultation was noted

26/Oct/014 Reports

a. **WNC Report.** Apologises received.
b. **Eydon Village Hall.** It was noted the several policies and procedures have been updated, these are available via EydonParish.Gov.Uk
c. **Eydon Community Sports Field.** No Update
d. **Eydon Educational Trust.** No update
e. **Social Media Report.** The report was reviewed

26/Oct/015 Human Resources.

a. **Councillor Training.** The Clerk agreed to send a link to the New Councillors so that they could review training courses which the Clerk would then book on their behalf.
b. **Human Resources.** Councillor Genovese has advised that she will review these ready for the November meeting

26/Oct/016 Councillor Comments. There were none

26/Oct/017 The next meeting will be held at 19:30hrs on 10 November 2026 in the Village Hall

26/Oct/018 The meeting closed at 21:09hrs.

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The Clerk:14 Oct 2026

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