

Minutes of a meeting of Eye Parish Council in the Leeds Hall, High Street, Eye on Thursday 15th January 2026 at 7pm.

Consultation with the public until 7.10pm

One present – no issues

Attendees: Ms J Edge, Mr A Goodsell, Mr A Martin, Mr A Smith, Mr R Taylor and Mr M Wells. Coun M Ormston

1) Apologies for Absence

Mr A Short, Mr G Walker and Coun S Allen

Best wishes to Mr Short for a speedy recovery.

2) Declaration of Interests

None declared

3) Eye Primary School

Nothing to report – next Full Governors meeting on 28th January

4) Items for City Councillors

Coun Ormston reported that Peterborough City Council have voted to defer the 2026 local elections until 2027 and this decision will go to The Secretary of State for a final decision. He voted against the proposal as he believes it's unfair not to hold elections each year.

2027 - New Authority due to take place and Peterborough City Council ends in 2028.

Unknown how the wards will become then

Fly tipping in the Parish reported.

Pot hole at the Community Centre reported and fixed the next day.

PCC Officer promises to respond soon on traffic calming.

82 High Street, development finished but vehicles still parking on verges and planting of a new mature tree still to take place.

Investigations with the Green Road dyke /drainage issues continues.

Skate Park lights on north side not working. Repair to equipment there was inspected and had to be redone.

Notice board of road closure for 2 days of road closure for Peterborough Road for 28th & 29th January

5) Policing

Latest stats available from the Police website –

August to November –

Violent/sexual crimes – 348, Anti-social behaviour 107, burglary 71, shop lifting 69

Details of 8 Police Community Meetings – none near to or in Eye.

6) Speed Watch Report – Nothing to report

7) Minutes of the meeting of 4th December 2024 & Matters Arising –

Not included in this agenda

Agreed and signed as a true record

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8) Finance

(i) Accounts The following accounts were Approved for Payment

<i>Creditor</i>	<i>Vouch No</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Nett</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Chq/ BACS</i>
B Stanojevic	127	Wages - December	£879.99	-	£879.99	BACS
S Short	128	Wages – December	£,1078.00	-	£1,078.00	BACS
M Pinfold	129	Wages - December	£384.83	-	£384.83	BACS
SMC	130	Legionella Checks - Leeds Hall Pavilion	£55.00 £55.00	£22.00	£132.00	BACS
HMRC	131	PAYE – Oct/Nov/Dec	£1,400.00	-	£1,400.00	BACS
B Stanojevic	132	Stationery	£54.31	£10.86	£65.17	BACS
		Postage	£26.10		£26.10	BACS
NJ Pacey Landscaping Ltd	133	Pollard Ash Tree in Cemetery	£3,890.00	£778.00	£4,668.00	BACS
Peterborough City Council	134	Annual Premises Licence fee – Leeds Hall	£180.00	-	£180.00	BACS
Canham Controls Ltd	135	Pavilion heating repair	£60.00	£12.00	£72.00	BACS
Scribe Accounts	136	Cemetery accounts	£29.00	£5.80	£34.80	BACS
pcvs	137	Payroll – Oct to Dec	£39.99	£8.00	£47.99	BACS
Veolia	138	Refuse- Cemetery Leeds Hall	£103.63 £111.73	£43.07	£258.43	BACS

(ii) Bank Reconciliations

30th November and 31st December 2025 were approved and signed

(iii) S137 Payments – None

9) Planning

Applications:

REF:25/01603/HHFUL Single storey rear extension 36 The Crescent, Eye, PE6 7TF

No comment

REF:25/01650/OUT Outline application with all matters reserved except access for a proposed care home of up to 70 no. Bedrooms with associated landscaping and parking areas. The Parish Council agree with this development in principle but concerns are similar as made on the previous application –

Infrastructure improvements to improve Green Road itself, footpath access to the site for staff and visitors – could a new footpath be constructed on the South side of the site, street lighting drainage, sewage. The roadway in should be for 2-way traffic to allow access to emergency and refuse vehicles and to prevent back up of traffic onto Green Road. Eye Doctors surgery appears to be at capacity. Concerns for wildlife. Ward Councillors are in continuous discussions with Eye Doctors about their future plans. Many things that the surgery can do to help patients that don't necessarily need a visit to a doctor.

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REF: 25/01646/HHFUL 42 Westminster Gardens, PE6 7SP Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of two storey and single storey rear extensions and first floor extensions above garage and associated works, No Comment

Decisions

REF:TPO/03/2012 1 Weeping Willow maintenance works forming new canopy and crown at 78 Hodney Road, Eye, PE6 7YJ. Permitted.

REF:25/01326/HHFUL Proposed dropped kerb at 57, Eyebury Road, Eye, PE6 7TD. Refused.

REF:25/01293/FUL Installation of metal roller shutter – (retrospective) at 53 High Street, Eye, PE6 7UX. Refused

Report of Pre-planning meeting held re site at 49 Crowland Road, Eye held between developer, 2 Parish members and 2 Ward Councillors.

Proposed Development would border the rear of our Green Road allotments and is for four houses which only takes up half of the site.

Access road leading to Crowland Road, original plans were for 2/3 bungalows each side of the roadway which would need to be wide enough for 2 vehicles to ensure no traffic backing up on Crowland Road. It would appear to be an overdevelopment of the site and is outside the village envelope.

10) Neighbourhood Plan

Ms Edge has been working with the consultant on restructuring the plan as required by PCC. No further costs from Consultant. The refined plan will then go to the next Parish Council for approval to then be resent to PCC Officers – Regular 14 approval. It will then be for the referendum – costs met by PCC.

11) The Reaches Crossing Box

This is the last remaining building of this network between here and Wisbech. It is a small building that has fallen into disrepair and a member of the public has asked if the Parish Council could restore it.

The landowner is agreeable. It was agreed to obtain a quote for cost of repair and then consider – grant funding may be available

12) Policy to consider – Social Media Policy

Proposed policy circulated to members before the meeting.

Agreed to adopt this policy

13) Cemetery

Ash Tree pollarded with 4 limbs removed as per the Tree Report. Good job.

14) Allotments

Vacant allotment now cleared as many now left in a good state– lots of plastic etc Committee to meet new allotment holders this weekend, plots are to be made a more manageable size.

It was agreed that from 1.4.2026 the Allotment hire agreements to be for one year only and the cost of deposit to hire of allotment to be increased to £100.

Will be put in the agreement that no tyres, plastic etc is allowed and that plots to be left as they were taken on or the deposit will be forfeited.

Green Road Dyke - The dyke has been cleared out and a concrete block removed.
Quotes to be obtained into how to proceed.

15) Leeds Hall, Recreation Ground and Amenities

Leeds Hall redecoration now complete as the Ladies toilets were decorated this week.
The boiler has cut out several times but problems seems to be resolved.
The boiler at the Pavilion – which is 30 years old, has an intermittent fault and the engineer is looking into.

16) Transport, Roads and Footpaths

National Highways – Overnight works from 8pm and 6am on A47 between Welland Road roundabout and Oversley Lodge roundabout on Saturday 17th January.
Coun Allen is posting details on Social Media.

17) Eye Festival

Date being arranged with organisers to discuss this year's festival.

18) Other Correspondence

Cambridge Acre – Invitation to their Community Building Conference on 17th March 2026 in St Ives. Members to notify clerk if the wish to attend
Manor Farm Community Centre – Request to increase annual contribution to Eyescan Magazine from £440 to £600 per annum. All agreed to this.

All 5 Defibrillators had their 3 month check this week – all in order. Noted.

19) Items for inclusion on next month's agenda

Neighbourhood Plan

20) Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 19th February 2026

21) EDI Compliant

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