



# GREAT ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes (458) of the Parish Council meeting held  
at 7.30 pm on Monday 9th October 2023 in the Village Centre**

1. **Apologies for absence-** were received from Hugh Glover, Clerk (Covid) & Cllr J Garth was 10 Minutes late.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – were received from Cllrs David Astall & Trevor Browning re 13/b/2.
3. **Resolved unanimously - to Co-opt Nick Cross as a new Councillor.**
4. **Open Forum – None as no public present.**
5. **Resolved unanimously - to approve minutes (457) of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023.**
6. **Planning as of 4<sup>th</sup> October 2023**
  - a. **Resolved unanimously – the PC had no observations -23/00758/FUL** | Change of use of a dwelling (Use Class C3) to a childrens nursery (Use Class E) | The Old Cottage St Marys Road Great Eccleston Preston Lancashire PR3 0ZJ
  - b. **Noted** - Work continuing the Old Smithy - the application was rejected. Refer to enforcement officer.
  - c. **Noted** - Two caravans on field with new gate (Seven Oaks Country Park) Refer to enforcement officer.
7. **Noted - Meeting with Wyre Planning Officers** – 27th September 2023 see notes of meeting.
8. **Highways, Footpaths & Open Spaces**
  - a. **Resolved unanimously – businesses do not contribute to the small Xmas trees.**
  - b. **Noted bring to next meeting - Xmas lights scheme.**
  - c. **Resolved unanimously – to approve the Xmas tree quote Nurture Landscapes large tree and small trees.**
  - d. **Resolved unanimously – to Approve the Winter planting MGMS landscapes.**
  - e. **Report was Noted - Flooding – Abbeysteads visit, mapping of village drains, water collection.**
9. **Noted & Deferred - Show committee donation for a structure - Cllrs ideas.**
10. **Resolved unanimously – Cllrs DA & PT to attend church and Cllrs DA, PT, TB, SC the Armistice Day service - Saturday 11am 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Cllr PT to organise 2 wreaths from Pollen @ half price.**
11. **GEIB**
  - a. **Noted** - Awards update.
  - b. **Resolved Unanimously - Failed Sponsorship of £371 not to pursue legally.**
  - c. **Resolved unanimously - Sign at West end to be removed.**
12. **Resolved unanimously – to update the Standing Orders. Communications strategy update - after comments deferred. See notes on the LALC event. Further NALC course re [The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly of social media on 28 February 2024.](#)**
13. **Financial**
  - a. **Noted** - Completion of Audit 2023 with no issues or actions.
  - b. **Resolved unanimously - to approve the following payments below for September 2023 and that Councillors have all seen and approved the invoices attached to the agenda in the following amounts: -**

1. Clerk	Salary & Expenses	£966.14
2. Village Centre	Room hire and storage & support	£88.33
3. HMRC D/D	PAYE	£83.00
4. Lengthsman	Lengthsman duties & watering	£372.00
5. PKF Littlejohn	Annual Audit & review	£252.00
  - c. **Noted** - Finance reports September 2023.
14. **Noted - Correspondence** – previously circulated
15. **Noted - Matters for future agendas and schedules of future reporting.** Members to notify Clerk of items for action.
16. **Noted - Date of next meeting.** The next Parish Council Meeting is now planned for Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Village Centre.

Chairman

13th November 2023