EDLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 4th February 2025 commencing 730pm at Thrunton Fishery

Those Present: Cllr C Blythe (Chairman), Cllr N Hargreaves, Cllr J Herdman, Cllr R Robson, Cllr A Hall

In Attendance: C Miller (Clerk), M Swinbank (County Cllr), W Pattison (County Cllr)

2025/01 Apologies for Absence

Cllr D Waldren, Cllr T Drummond, Cllr G Herdman

2025/02 Declaration of Interests

There were no Declaration of Interests.

2025/03 Minutes of previous meeting held Tuesday 11th November 2024

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the minutes of the previous meeting held Tuesday 11th November 2024 were a true record.

2025/04 Problems due to off road vehicles within the parish

Problems continue with off road vehicles within the parish.

2025/05 County Cllr Update

Site visit had been held with County Council Highway and Flooding Officers, Church representatives and County Cllr to discuss flooding at Church. Moving the church access had been discussed, with County Cllr to fund. County Council had installed a wider pipe which had alleviated problems. Highways had picked up 9.5 tonnes of litter in a three month period last year. The County Cllr expressed dismay at Edlingham Parish leaving the Longhoughton ward May 2025, further to the boundary commission review, and had very much enjoyed representing the parish. The County Cllr was thanked for her involvement over the last 8 years.

2025/06 Planning

2025/06/01 Planning Applications received

 24/04288/VARYCO: Lemmington Hall – Removal of condition 4 on 12/00756/FUL – Parish Council had no objections

2025/25 Finance

2025/07/01 Members are asked to approve the following payments

- Northumberland County Council annual insurance premium £218.14 (retrospective)
- C Miller annual salary £372.46; annual expenses £84.18

RESOLVED

Members approved the payments.

2025/08 Road maintenance

There were many problems with roads within the parish, with concerns being reported via Fix My Street. Moorhouse crossroads currently had four way traffic light system - County Cllr to clarify reason(s) for traffic lights/upcoming road closures. Trees were being trimmed at the top of Lemmington Bank. Traffic priority signage at Jockey's Bridge to be considered for inclusion under Local Transport Plan 2026-2027 requests.

2025/09 Edlingham Community Association; Flooding at Church

The Parish Council noticeboard had been damaged during the recent stormy weather and was kindly being repaired via funding through the Community Association.

2025/10 Review of internal controls

Members considered the Statement of internal control.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the current internal controls were sufficient for the present needs of the Council.

2025/11 Review of internal auditor

The Clerk advised M Ackroyd, who had carried out the internal audit year ending 31.3.24 was willing to carry out this years audit.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed to re-engage M Ackroyd at the rate of £25/hour.

2025/12 Review of asset register

Members considered the asset register.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the asset register was accurate.

2025/13 Review of risk assessment

Members considered the Risk Assessment.

RESOLVED:

Members agreed the Risk Assessment was sufficient for the present needs of the Council.

2025/14 Urgent business/items for next meeting

There was no urgent business/items for next meeting.

2025/15 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of Edlingham Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 6th May 2025 commencing at 8pm at Thrunton Fishery.

Claire Miller, Parish Clerk

The meeting closed at 810pm