



Minutes of the Meeting of Elford Parish Council

Held on Monday 10th March 2025 at 7pm at Elford Village Hall.

Present: Cllr B. Delderfield, Cllr H. Herrmann, Cllr J. Oakley, Cllr A. Payne (Chair), Cllr H. Robertson (arrived 19:02), Cllr P. Turley (Vice-Chair)

Guests In attendance:

Public in attendance: 7

Minute Taker & Clerk: Mrs K. Pritchard

231/24. Apologies: Cllr A. Rushton

232/24. Public participation:

A resident raised the issue of a temporary den on the Shrubbery.

A few residents raised the issue of parking and traffic on Church Road and The Square. **ACTION:** Clerk to request double yellow lines from the Staffordshire County Council Highways. The Parish Council to write a letter to the permanent vehicles parking on The Square.

A resident raised the issue of the dropped kerb on Church Road. During the road re surfacing by Staffordshire County Council the road was dug, and the kerb has turned into a step. **ACTION:** Clerk to raise with Highways Liaison Officer

A few residents discussed the update on Tame View. The Chairman updated the residents on the situation. Artemis can attend a meeting and discuss the updates with residents and the Parish Council. **ACTION:** Clerk to contact Cllr A. Rushton to arrange for Artemis to attend a Parish Council meeting in the near future.

A resident raised an enquiry regarding Elford in Bloom. Cllr H. Robertson discussed future plans.

The public participation closed at 19:32

233/24. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations: None

234/24. Minutes: The Council RESOLVED that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10th February 2025, having been circulated, be confirmed, and signed as a correct record. **(APPENDIX 1)**

235/24. Reports from County and District Councillors (for information only) if present: None

236/24. Planning:

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a) To consider new application/s:

Reference	Address	Details	Elford PC	LDC Decision
25/00103/FUH	20 Croft Close Elford Tamworth Staffordshire B79 9BU	Erection of a two storey side extensions to include kitchen/breakfast bedrooms & en-suites, ancillary accommodation and garage	No objection. Submitted comment 06.03.25	Pending Consideration

b) b) To report decisions on previous applications:

Reference	Address	Details	Elford PC	LDC Decision
24/00467/FUL	Howard Primary School , The Square, Elford, Tamworth	Proposed replacement of boiler plant room (conversion of existing oil fired boilers to hybrid system), and installation of 1no new LPG gas tank and air source heat pump	Submitted comment 20.02.25	Pending Consideration

237/24. Clerk Report: The Clerk Report was NOTED. (**APPENDIX 2**)

238/24. VE Day Flag: The Council RESOLVED to approve the purchase of a VE day flag. **ACTION:** Cllr H. Robertson to arrange the purchase of up to £20 on a flag and ping pong balls for the playground.

239/24. Maintenance: To review the maintenance of the Lime Trees on The Beck **ACTION:** Cllr B. Delderfield to investigate the lime trees on The Beck and report if they require maintenance.

240/24. Insurance: The Council RESOLVED to approve the renewal of the insurance.

241/24. Defibrillator: To consider purchasing a new battery and defibrillator pads (expired 28.02.25) **ACTION:** Clerk to investigate previous minutes and decision for the defibrillator. Clerk to contact K. Dawson regarding the possibility to be a guardian for the Elford Village Hall defibrillator.

242/24. Volunteering: **ACTION:** The Clerk to send the volunteer list to Cllr H. Robertson. Committee to identify areas for planters and provide photographs. The Council RESOLVED to approve to purchase planters with CIL funds.

243/24. Bus Shelter: **ACTION:** Cllr A. Payne to contact the Sports Committee to investigate a use for the bus shelter on the sports field.

244/24. Flooding signage: The COUNCIL have RESOLVED to not approve a contribution to a flooding sign outside of the Parish.

245/24. Policies:

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- a) The Council RESOLVED to approve the Risk Management Scheme. Cllr H. Robertson proposed, Cllr B. Delderfield seconded. The motion was CARRIED. (**APPENDIX 3**)

246/24. Financial Matters:

- a) The Council RESOLVED to approve the accounts and bank reconciliation to 28th February 2025 (**APPENDIX 4a**)
- b) The Council RESOLVED to approve the items to pay in Payment Schedule March 2025 (**APPENDIX 4b**)
- c) The Council RESOLVED to approve the Cashbook 2024/2025 (**APPENDIX 4c**)
- d) The Council RESOLVED to approve the internal transfer of £2,505.06 from the 95-day notice account to the current account

247/24. Reports from Chairman and Councillors (for information only):

Cllr P. Turley – raised the issue of the dip on the Sports field. **ACTION:** The Council RESOLVED to move the pin for health & safety reasons.

A resident has requested the exercise equipment is moved when the playground is re designed.

Cllr H. Herrmann – a resident has raised the overgrowth of a hedge in the village. It has encroached onto the pavement. **ACTION:** Clerk to raise with Staffordshire County Council.

Cllr J. Oakley – Basketball Back Board to be fitted shortly.

Cllr A. Payne – Cricket Club pipework to be postponed until October. Grant monies to be paid in Autumn 2025.

Footpath work to potentially begin in April. Awaiting response from PROW. **ACTION:** Clerk to chase the PROW team.

Sports club car park – meeting to be rescheduled.

Playground – Tarmac application response is due June 2025.

248/24. Items for future meetings: Items were NOTED.

249/24. Date, time & venue of future meetings: Dates were NOTED.

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 21:05

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