

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council of Eynsford, held on Thursday 22nd May 2025, at Eynsford Parish Office at 7.00 p.m.

9301 PRESENT

Members Present

Mr M Barker
Mr A Cooke
Mrs J Laird
Mr V Robson
Mrs H Sim
Mr O Young

Clerk in Attendance

Mrs H Ivaldi

Others Present

Mrs J Tunbridge, Mr T Powell

9302 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were invited for the post of Chairperson. It was RESOLVED that Mr Robson be elected Chair of the Council.

9303 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were invited for the post of Vice-Chairperson. It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke be elected to Vice Chair of the Council.

9304 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The following councillors gave apologies for absence: Mr Naylor, Mr Griffiths.

9305 SIGNING OF DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office, by the Chair and Vice Chair were signed.

9306 APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE UNDERMENTIONED COMMITTEES

It was RESOLVED that the following Members will serve on the under mentioned committees:

Planning: All Members
Highways & Transportation: All Members
Community: All Members
Open Spaces: All Members
Facilities & Environment: All Members

9307 NOMINATIONS FOR NON-COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

None.

9308 APPOINTMENT OF THREE COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON THE HR SUB COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Griffiths, Mrs Sim and Mr Cooke be appointed to serve on the above committee.

- 9309 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON GDPR WORKING GROUP**
It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mr Naylor and Mrs Sim be appointed to serve on the above working group.
- 9310 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE TREE WORK SUB-COMMITTEE**
It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mr Naylor and Mr Baker (Tree Warden) be appointed to serve on the above committee.
- 9311 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR**
It was RESOLVED that Mr K Esmail be appointed Internal Auditor.
- 9312 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**
It was RESOLVED that, in principle, Parish Council main meetings will continue to be held on the third Thursday of each month and that Committee meetings will continue to be held on the first Monday of each month, except when it falls on a Bank Holiday, in which case it will usually be moved to the following Tuesday. That the August main meeting and January committee meetings will only be held if urgent business demands.
- 9313 APPOINTMENT OF TREE WARDEN**
It was RESOLVED that Mr Baker be appointed as Tree Warden.
- 9314 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO ANTHONY ROPER CHARITY**
It was RESOLVED that Ms J Groves' appointment as Trustee to the Anthony Roper Charity is approved for the next four year term starting October 2025.
- 9315 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO THE ELEEMOSYNARY CHARITY OF HENRY COX**
It was RESOLVED that Mr Naylor's appointment as Trustee to the Eleemosynary Charity of Henry Cox be approved for the coming year. It was noted that the Rector of the parish would continue to act as an ex-officio Trustee.
- 9316 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO EYNSFORD VILLAGE SOCIETY**
It was RESOLVED that Mr Naylor will represent the Council at meetings of Eynsford Village Society.
- 9317 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (KALC)**
It was RESOLVED that councillors will take turn to represent the Council at meetings of the Sevenoaks branch of Kent Association of Local Councils, and also on the Joint Transportation Board.
- 9318 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO THE SCHOOL RUN SAFETY CAMPAIGN (SRSC)**
It was RESOLVED that Mrs Laird will represent the Council on the School Run Safety Campaign.
- 9319 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO LULLINGSTONE PARK LIAISON GROUP**
It was RESOLVED that Mrs Laird will represent the Council at meetings of the Lullingstone Park Liaison Group and that Mr Cooke will deputise.

9320 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) ON THE HARROW MEADOW SUB-COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke, Mr Robson and Mr Griffiths will represent the Council at meetings of the Harrow Meadow Sub-Committee which will also contain representatives from the football clubs using the pitch and facilities at Harrow Meadow.

9321 APPOINTMENT OF FLOOD WARDEN/S

It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke and Mr Rix be appointed as Flood Wardens.

9322 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE GREEN TEAM

It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mrs Ivaldi, Mrs Laird, Mr Naylor, Ms Langridge Mr Cooper, Ms Russell, Mr Lewington and Ms Fereday be appointed members of the Green Team.

9323 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE/S TO THE DARENT VALLEY COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIP

It was RESOLVED that Mr Young be appointed as representative to the Darent Valley Community Rail Partnership and that Mr Robson will deputise.

9324 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO CPRE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Young be appointed as representative to the local branch of CPRE (Campaign for Protection for Rural Environment).

The Annual Meeting of the Council closed at 7.15 pm

Chairman: 19th June 2025