Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 31 March 2025 at 7.00 pm in Bainton Village Hall

1. **Present**: Cllr D Walford Vice Chairman **(DW)**, Cllr P Brierley **(PB)**, Cllr S Lowes **(SL),** Cllr C Bays **(CB),** Ward Cllr Lee, Mrs E Brooks (Clerk to the Council) & 4 members of the public

Vice Chairman, Cllr D Walford **(DW)** chaired the meeting he welcomed everyone and formally opened the meeting.

1. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr P Metcalf **(PM)**, Cllr A Dodgson **(AD)**,

1. **Declarations of interest** -Cllr D Walford Agenda item 8iv, v & vi

 Cllr C Bays Agenda item 8v & 8vi

# Previous Minutes

# The minutes from 27 January 2025 were offered for approval and they were unanimously agreed as a correct record. Proposed by SL and Seconded by PB

# Matters Arising – None

#  A number of matters were updated on the action tracker

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| Topic | Task | Owner | Status | Update |
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| Village Green & hall title | Currently the village green and village hall have no land registry info. Look at creating a title for them under BPC | PM | Open | Proceeding but Solicitors are currently waiting for copies of BPC standing orders.  |
| Sewerage/drainage | Inadequate sewerage system, require meeting with YW and ERYC | PB/DW& EB | Open | \*see main minutes under flood update |
| Street lights | Additional Street lights on Church Street  | DW | Open | Possible grant available “Community Fund”No progress |
| Second pedestrian crossing | Increased pedestrian presence due to visitors of the new café/bistro therefore from a safety aspect a Zebra crossing would be beneficial. The Main A614 has a high volume of traffic which increases at the weekend and during the Summer months, making it difficult to cross especially for our elderly residents. A request has been made in the past to ERYC with a response that it is too close to the existing zebra crossing and not enough demand.  |  | Open | Your request for 'Relocation of Zebra Crossing to a more central location on Main Street, Bainton' has been logged onto ER system.This has been logged as an 'TMPS - Pedestrian Crossings' Enquiry and your enquiry is assigned to our Traffic Management Department. Reference Number for this Enquiry is 2353083.Regarding your request for a Full Traffic Review of Main Street, Bainton a request has been sent to our Traffic Management Department for them to liaise with BPC and advise the process and timescales for undertaking a Full Traffic Review.Clerk to chase up, request next steps |
| New notice board | Residents have requested that the village noticeboard be relocated to a more central site and also be more accessible to advertise village events. Suggestion to approach Bainton Stop, if they would consider a noticeboard on their property  | DW | Open | Manager welcoming of the idea and has agreed to speak with the owner. Permission received in principle - ongoing |
| A614 Layby overnight parking & litter | Increased level of litter in Layby | EB | Close | ERYC confirmed that there are no overnight parking restrictions.Litter has been tended to by a volunteer – add a “thank you “to the Beacon |

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# Parish Council Vacancy –

# There are currently 3 vacancies for Parish Councillors.

# Mr Gary Johnson (GJ) has shown interest in joining the Parish Council and prior to the meeting he circulated his details and reasons for wishing to join, which all members had received. A vote was held, which was unanimous. Mr Gary Johnson was welcomed and co-opted as a member of Bainton Parish council. Clerk to arrange for paperwork to be completed & ER to be informed

#  There has been further interest in the vacancies and therefore hopeful these will be followed up at future meetings.

# Highway Matters

* 1. **Village flood update:**

Little progress achieved. DW/PB Will Continue to pursue Yorkshire Water and ER Council for a meeting. PB has requested a written update from YW and the results from surveys carried out.

ERYC have been provided with a list of riparian landowners, again no feedback. Ward Cllr Lee will contact Steve Charlton.

Positive outcome, Mr Megginson is willing to discuss the Old Post Office site to find a long-term solution

* 1. **Green Lane closure order & downgrading**

Road closure order is coming to an end. Ward Cllr Lee advised that it is his understanding that ERYC are attending site to review the order and that there is an application in to extend the road closure again.

The aim is still to have the lane permanently downgraded. Await update.

* 1. **Bus Shelter**

ER Transportation services received capital funding to support or replace existing shelters. Expressions of interest were to be submitted by 31.03.25. Bainton Bus shelters are not in need of replacement and a volunteer has offered to creosote the shelters.

# Communications & PR to the village

* 1. **Bainton Beacon** – Funds healthy and continues to run self-funded.
	2. **Social committee** – Successful bangers & mash event, next event at the end of April. More arranged for the year. See Beacon for more details.
	3. **Development funding update** – Application form in progress.
	4. **DIFEY Community fund (ERYC Social grant funds)** – The expression of interest application has closed for this grant due to reaching total maximum requests for the funding. Ward Cllr Lee advised it will re-open for the next financial year. Clerk to keep checking www.doitforeastyorkshire.co.uk in next financial year.
	5. **VE & VJ day anniversary community fund** - Application for a grant of £470 has been successful.
	6. **Village green grass cutting** –Previously done on an ad hoc basis via volunteers and after discussions last year it was decided to formalise. DW has 3 quotes in writing for grass cutting.

£70 – Mumby (£910.00) to include 13 cuts a year and take away

£55 - East Riding contractor (£715.00) includes 13 cuts

£25 - Bainton Social Committee (£650.00) 26 cuts, edging, hedges and takeaway. The Social committee have put a team of volunteers together who will be fully trained to use the equipment. Money from the Social committee is invested back into the village community.

PB proposed a trial period for the selected contractor which would be reviewed at the end of Summer/ before the PC budget in November. This was seconded by SL and unanimously agreed. DW & CB did not vote as they had declared an interest.

PB proposed to accept the Social Committee quote of £650.00, Seconded by GJ and unanimously agreed

DW & CB did not vote as they had declared an interest.

# Playground - none

# Planning applications

1. 24/02758/PLF - Land West of Bainton Burrows – APPROVED BY ERYC
2. Any planning applications arising - None

# Finance & Administration - Bank reconciliations circulated prior to the meeting. Current account £635.65, Reserve account £4769.91, Action Fund £0.

* 1. **Payments**

 E Brooks (Clerk Salary) £473.64

 D Walford (Beacon) £37.80

 Village Hall (Hire) £90.00

* 1. **BPC Standing Orders**

PB has been working hard since the previous meeting to produce Standing Orders for BPC. DW requested thanks be recorded in the minutes to PB for all his hard work preparing the Standing Orders.

PB now has a document that he will send via email to all for review. Members will be asked to review and provide feedback by Wednesday 9th April. The document can be officially adopted at the next meeting with a formal vote. Clerk to add to next agenda

PB would like to Discuss joining ERNLLCA at the next meeting. Clerk to add to next agenda

* 1. **Clerk resignation**

DW advised member that The Clerk has given her notice and therefore we must start the process of recruiting a new clerk & arranging a ‘hand-over’

DW stated that the PC are very grateful to the extensive work Elaine has undertaken over many years for our council & community.  After discussions with Elaine, she has kindly offered to continue you her role up to the AGM in May.  This is highly significant, as it includes all the year-end accounts, returns to auditors & ERYC, along with the preparation work for the three meetings of the AGM.

Members were asked to encourage candidates to come forward to apply for the role of Clerk to the Council.  It is essential that this role is filled after the handover period.

# Any other business

**Elected Members**

* None

**Members of the public**

* Post box – overgrown bush surrounding
* Zebra crossing – current crossing used by School children
* At the request of Mr & Mrs Beamount the beech hedge should be excluded from the grass cutting as that requires scaffolding & is paid for by the village hall.
1. **Date of next meeting:** Monday 19 May 2025 @ 7pm (AGM)