MINUTES of the Meeting of Cherry Burton Parish Council held on Tuesday 8 September 2026 at 7.30pm.

P R E S E N T:-

Cllr Peter Langley (in the Chair)

Parish Councillors: B Dickinson, P Gorton, J Powell and E Sutcliffe.

Also in attendance: Ward Cllr D Stewart, G Hewitt (Resuscitation Trainer). Parishioners Mr Rose and Mr Scully.

Clerk – the meeting was recorded and minutes produced by Ashley Thorogood from the transcription.

09/26/46 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from P Arandle, A Baker, R Howe, S Peirson and A Thorogood (Clerk).

09/26/47 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

RESOLVED: a) that Cllr Gorton declared an interest in the Allotments;

b) that Langley declared an interest in the Village Show Committee.

09/26/48 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

A resident raised the issue of grass not being cut on the green opposite the village hall, creating a potential fire hazard in very dry weather. Discussions focused on managing the green to protect bulbs while maintaining grass levels. Specific areas containing bulbs would be marked out to inform East Riding council's mowing schedule. The strategy would involve mowing as much of the area as possible as normal and only restricting cutting in small circles around the bulbs until they had finished flowering.

Concerns had been regarding the lack of dropped kerbs on Canada Drive compared to The Meadows. Discussions were held regarding vehicles parking on footpaths, particularly near the Church, which created hazards for pedestrians and those with pushchairs or wheelchairs. It was suggested that residents could report bad driving via Operation Snap or provide photographic evidence of parking to the police with a request to follow up.

RESOLVED: that areas containing bulbs would be marked out to inform East Riding council's mowing schedule.

09/26/49 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2026 be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

09/26/50 **UPDATE OF ACTIONS**

Minute 7/26/40 – Village Infrastructure

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A working party had met to discuss storage options. The minutes of the meeting would be shared with Cllrs.

RESOLVED: that actions had been completed.

09/26/51 **EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL MATTERS**

Concerns were raised regarding inadequate hedge trimming on Etton Road, where debris has been left on the path, creating a trip hazard. The council referenced Section 148 of the Highways Act 1980, noting it is an offence to obstruct a highway with deposited materials.
Progress was noted on the Canada Drive Hudson Way footpath, which is being handled by the legal department. Progress on the ownership of the 8-metre strip was requested.
Regarding the cycle route, red paint has been used to mark damaged areas and it was hoped that repairs would be made by the local authority.

RESOLVED: that an update be received.

09/26/52 **CORRESPONDENCE**

Road works Canada Drive
The Clerk would respond to residents stating that works required East Riding approval and recommend the resident looks at the village Facebook group where things are also advertised.

Fit Mums Farm Run
Information would be posted on the Cherry Burton Facebook group.

Canada Drive substation
It was noted this is managed by the national infrastructure provider and thus choice of construction materials and siting cannot be influenced by either ERYC or the Parish Council.

Humberhead
An invitation to object to the Humberhead solar farm near Londesborough Estate was reviewed. Members discussed concerns regarding prime agricultural land use. It was decided that rather than taking a formal position, they would advertise the matter on Facebook to allow parishioners to provide individual views.

Objection to Exploratory Gas Drilling
Lobbying efforts were ongoing regarding exploratory gas drilling near Foxhole and Butterwick, specifically concerning potential impacts on chalk aquifers. Again the PC resolved to advertise the matter on Facebook to allow parishioners to provide individual views.

Relief in Need Charity
The Parish council had no formal knowledge of this fund, discussion would be held with historic Cllrs and members of the Church.

RESOLVED: that the correspondence be received.

09/26/53 **TRAFFIC**

Cllrs discussed traffic calming measures, noting that roundabouts had been rejected by Highways/ERYC. Current focus remained on speed cameras and potential "dragon's teeth" or white gates to slow down vehicles entering the village.

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Residents had reported concerns regarding speeding vehicles on Main Street and dangerous behaviour by youths on motor bikes.

RESOLVED: that the Traffic update be received.

09/26/54 **FINANCE**

Accounts for payment

ERYC	WASTE DISPOSAL	183.32
LSTC	POND SURVEY	2191.32
BARRY GIBSON	PLAYGROUND PAINTING LABOUR	160
BARRY GIBSON	PLAYGROUND PAINT	41.99
HMRC	TAX & NI	379.12
C EXELBY	CLEANING SUPPLIES - MINI JUMBO	16.95
C EXELBY	WAGES JULY	37.74
C EXELBY	WAGES AUGUST	80.8
A THOROGOOD	WAGES	375.07
ERPF	JULY	135.37
ERPF	AUGUST	122.38
GO FOSTER	SPORTS FIELD 20/08	138
GO FOSTER	DOG FIELD 15/7	138
ERYC	BIN COLLECTION 15/7	14.14
SCOTTISH WATER	ALLOTMENTS	30.96
SCOTTISH WATER	ALLOTMENTS	71.39
EDF	LIGHTING	27.14
C EXELBY	PAPER TOWELS	19.99
C EXELBY	HAND WASH	11.97
C EXELBY	CLEANING SUPPLIES	12.65
C ELEXBY	MINI JUMBO	17.46

Street Lighting SLA
The council reviewed the street lighting service level agreement. Concerns were raised regarding exclusions such as electrical testing, safety checks, and replacing lights damaged by vehicles (e.g., on the village green). Queries were raised regarding whether these safety services could be included in the scope extension of the contract and whether there were additional fees to pay for these services. This would be queried with the local authority.

NALC Pay Settlement
The information was received.

RESOLVED: a) that accounts for payment were approved;

b) that the SLA be asked to include electrical testing and safety checks in the contract scope, as well as provide an annual report of work completed;

c) that the NALC pay settlement information was received.

09/26/55 **VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE**

Planning
The council reviewed the application for The Lodges at the old golf course. It was noted that while the development included a separate sewage works and a new footpath, the footpath was currently private and did not connect to Hudson Way. It

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was highlighted that the existing footpath on Malton Road was overgrown and unusable. There was uncertainty regarding whether community commuted sums applied to this holiday-use development as such sums typically applied to permanent residential buildings rather than seasonal lodges. Concerns were raised regarding the need for improvements at the crossroads due to an anticipated increase in traffic. Cllr Peirson would prepare a formal response focusing on the need for improved public footpaths.

Play Park

The council approved a repeat order of £211.20 for the annual detailed inspection of the play park. Cllr Gorton would coordinate with Friends of the School to organise seasonal maintenance of the play park, such as sweeping leaves and inspecting equipment.

Pond

Communication had been made with the environment Agency regarding the pond. High phosphate levels had been recorded during recent water sampling, though nitrate and ammonia levels appeared normal. There was ongoing concern regarding excessive duck populations being sustained by residents feeding them bread.

A naturalist, Dr. Richard Shilliker, suggested several mitigation strategies:

- reducing the duck population (currently estimated at 30);
- dredging the pond, potentially using suction dredging;
- installing natural filters, such as yellow irises or reeds, around the four drainage pipes from the road.

The Parish Council discussed the potential cost of installing gabions and planting yellow irises to act as filters. Andy Dolman and Cllr Gorton would lead on this. It was agreed to cost the gabion works needed for yellow flag iris planting and return with a proposal. North Coast Wetlands would be contacted to investigate whether they could take some of the pond's surplus ducks. A rope barrier would be placed around the side of the pond to provide access to the fountains and maintain the safety measure.

Pavillion

It was noted that items within the first aid kit had expired and required replacement. Electrical testing at the Pavilion had been completed by Prolec electricians, identifying only minor issues. It was agreed to use Prolec to also carry out remedial works if their quote was reasonable.

Allotments

A notice to clear would be issued to the relevant tenant.

Nature Trail

Plans were underway to plant wild roses in the hedgerows, though planting would be delayed until there was more rainfall.

Quotes were being sought from an arborist for the ash die-back on the Sports field/Nature Trail. An ash dieback survey and a five-year woodland management plan have been commissioned from Mark Feather.

Future Projects

Potential future projects included a children's play park estimated at £45,000, a new storage facility, and necessary road repairs.

A Cllr highlighted the need for improvements to the village pond to prevent it from looking unappealing although not all councillors agreed.

RESOLVED: a) that Cllr Peirson would prepare a formal response to planning application 26 01846 PLF focusing on the need for improved public footpaths and low lighting;

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b) that the Parish Council approved a repeat order of £211.20 for the annual detailed inspection of the play park;
c) Cllr Gorton would coordinate with Friends of the School to organise seasonal maintenance of the play park;
d) that a notice to clear the allotment plot be issued to the relevant tenant;
e) that the cost of gabion works needed for yellow flag iris planting be investigated;
f) that North Coast Wetlands be contacted to investigate whether they could take some of the pond's surplus ducks;
g) that a rope barrier would be placed around the side of the pond to provide access to the fountains and maintain the safety measure.

09/26/56 **COMMUNITY ISSUES**

Bus Service
There was substantial local pressure for an improved bus service; with significant individual responses received from residents the Bus Survey. These would be presented to the Mayor.

Northern Power Grid
The Chair would prepare a letter to Northern Power regarding a power cut that had impacted the local shop, Cedar Grange Home, and the village pub. While domestic customers were eligible to received £100 if they applied, commercial entities faced significant losses which could not be automatically compensated.

RESOLVED: a) that Bus Survey responses be presented to the Mayor;
b) that a letter be sent Northern Power Grid.

09/26/57 **NEWSLETTER**

RESOLVED: that an update be received.

09/26/58 **CPR AND DEFIB POLICY**

A concern was raised regarding the lack of a formal checking system for the defibrillator equipment. The process would be queried with the Clerk. Mr Hewitt recommended weekly checks. It was discussed that there was an urgent need for a business continuity plan regarding equipment checks. It was believed that the defibrillators were ten years old and reaching the end of their lifespan.
A training day to improve resuscitation skills and ensure villagers could use the defibrillators effectively was proposed by Mr Hewitt. Cllrs Powell and Gorton agreed to undertake the task of organising this training, prioritising central village residents and local groups like sports clubs and the Church.

RESOLVED: a) that the process for checking defibrillators be queried with the Clerk;
b) that Cllrs Gorton and Powell would organise resuscitation training for parishioners.

09/26/59 **REVIEW OF ACTIONS**

RESOLVED: that the Review of Actions be confirmed and circulated to governors following the meeting.

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09/26/60 **FUTURE MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: that future meetings be held at **7.30pm** on the following dates:

Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday, 6 October 2026;
Tuesday, 3 November 2026;
Tuesday, 1 December 2026;
Tuesday, 5 January 2027;
Tuesday, 2 February 2027;
Tuesday, 2 March 2027;
Tuesday, 6 April 2027.

Annual General Meeting
Tuesday, 6 April 2026.

Sports Field Management Committee
Tuesday, 1 December 2026;
Tuesday, 2 March 2027.

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Chair's Signature – 6 October 2026.

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