



Boughton Aluph & Eastwell

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 16 April 2025 at 7.15pm,
Boughton Baptist Chapel, Wye Road, Boughton Lees, TN25 4JA

Present:

Cllr Spencer Phillips
Cllr Adrian Coles
Cllr Jessica Fermor-Fox
Cllr Chelsea Pearce

Absent:

Cllr Steven Bartholemew
Cllr Peter Burrows
Cllr Paul Curry
Cllr Doreen Titmuss

In attendance:

One member of the public
Parish Clerk Mrs Rachel Girt

38/25. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Resolved: to accept reason for absence from Cllr Bartholemew (family event), Cllr Burrows (work commitment) and Cllr Titmuss (was stuck in a road closure).

Cllr Coles was impacted by the same traffic problem affecting the motorway network and would be arriving late.

39/25. Disclosures of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

None declared.

40/25. Opportunity for Members of the Public to Address the Meeting

A member of the public introduced themselves as a candidate in the upcoming Kent County Council election.

41/25. Minutes

Resolved: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12 March 2025 were agreed as an accurate record by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

42/25. Finance

i. Resolved: to note income & expenditure account for the period ended 31/3/25 & the restated bank reconciliation for period ended 28/2/25. The bank reconciliation for 31/3/25 was checked against the bank statement.

ii. Resolved: to agree payments schedule and note credit card and other payments made. Councillors Coles and Pearce to authorise online payments in good time to make the HMRC payment before the bank holiday.

43/25. Resolved: to approve revised Financial Regulations (based on NALC model regulations 2024).

Cllr Coles arrived at the meeting.

44/25. The arrangements for VE day 80 commemoration were confirmed. The RBLI Tommy & Women in War silhouettes will be erected in the week preceding VE day close to the war memorial. The Lamp Light of Peace will be lit at 9.30pm in line with the national schedule of beacon lighting and the VE Day 80th anniversary tribute will be read.

45/25. Updates were received:

i. The Chatty Café scheme has 4 volunteers booked to attend scheme training and is proposed to run on Monday and Thursday mornings, 9.45- 10.45am.

ii. The cricket pavilion modular build is proceeding well. There has been a delay as the wrong roof tiles had been delivered.

iii. Tennis at Sandyacres, Sandyacres Trust Chairman advised that there was no proposed start date yet. The trust needs to apply for additional funding. The Clerk has passed on details of a capacity building organisation work with charities.

46/25.

The Clerk reported that Borough Councillors Winston Michael and Larry Krause had been invited to the Annual Parish Meeting. All 6 candidates (or their

agents) in the Kent County Council elections, Ashford Rural West division had also been invited should they be elected on 1 May 2025.

The insurance claim for the missing defibrillator is being processed by the underwriters of the Parish Council policy.

47/25. No correspondence not already considered.

48/25. i. **Planning Applications**

The Parish Council is a consultee of Ashford Borough Council, the Local Planning Authority. The Parish Council is not the Planning Authority.

Case Reference: PA/2025/0563

Location: 3 Hillside Cottages, Faversham Road, Boughton Aluph, TN25 4HU

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension

View Files: [Click Here](#)

No objection

ii.

Case Reference: PA/2025/0551

Location: 21 Jersey Close, Kennington, TN24 9LD

Proposal: Proposed replacement out-building and conversion of integral garage.

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No objection

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Appendix 1

To pay:

Gross	VAT	Supplier
£ 500.00	nil	Downsview (grant awarded March 25)
£ 48.00	8.00	RP Wood (mowing)
£ 1125.77	187.63	KALC (annual subs)
£ 20.00	nil	Boughton Baptist Chapel

Credit Card 3 March:

	£
Card fee	3.00
RWG mobile	3.50
Bilting Self Storage (February)	46.00
Bilting Self Storage (January)	46.00