

LUDDINGTON & HALDENBY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th September 2025 at 7pm at the Luddington & Garthorpe Primary School.

Present: Cllr R Adams (Chair), Cllr A Hewitt, Cllr S Walker, Cllr C Holloway & Ward Cllr I. Bint.

2509/01 To note apologies for absence and resignations.

Apologies received from Ward Cllrs J Reed. Co-option application from Mrs Huber to be added to next agenda.

2509/02 Public Participation.

Present: Mrs Christopher, Mrs Gregory, Mr Clark & Mr Snell.

The Chair suspended the meeting for 15 minutes. The Village Hall have submitted a proposal for the refurbishment of the changing rooms which Mrs Christopher wanted clarity on the way forward due to the conflict of interest for 3 parish councillors. The clerk confirmed dispensation forms can be completed by the councillors & 2 councillors must request the disposal decision to be rescinded before the proposal can be discussed. Mr Clark was in support of the proposal & suggested leasing the asset to the Village Hall. Mrs Gregory & Mr Snell were present in support of the proposal. To summarise everyone present wants something positive done to improve the changing rooms.

2509/03 Declaration of Interest.

Cllr Hewitt, Cllr Walker & Cllr Holloway have completed dispensation forms for agenda item 2509/08 5. Approved by the clerk to remain, speak & vote as granting is in the best interest for the community.

2509/04 Minutes of previous meeting.

The council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th July 2025 as a correct record & they were signed by the Chair.

2509/05 Chair's Report.

The Ward Councillors judged the Garden Competition choosing 3 winners who will each receive garden vouchers & photos of the gardens will be published in the next Luddite. The Chair requested NLC to clean the streets due to the straw, this was promptly actioned. A discussion & review of the projected costs/budget indicated a possible increase in the 2026/27 precept and the councillors agreed to finalise at December meeting. The council **RESOLVED** to accept the Chair's report.

2509/06 Clerk's Accounts/Report.

The clerk confirmed the bank account balance on 3rd September 2025, was £8,046.04. 15 invoices paid since the 2nd July. These included the ICO renewal & meter disconnection. This was supported by a copy of the bank statement on 29th August 2025 & reconciliation. The 1st grass cutting payment from NLC & microgrant top-up were received. SSE have increase the annual microgrant allowance to £2,800 so the new balance for 2025/26 is £1,150. The AGAR should be finalised this month. The councillors agreed the Local Government Service pay increases for the Comm Op and clerk along with the clerk's 3 hours overtime for August. The clerk will be on holiday from 22nd September until 6th October. The council **RESOLVED** to accept the clerk's reports.

2509/07 Report from Ward Cllrs on NLC issues.

Ward Cllr Bint's report included: 1) SSE microgrant applications each increased to £400 & coach hire to events in North Lincolnshire permitted. 2) Solar Farms planning applications PA2025/244 & 245 are massive. Cllr Bint will be objecting in support of panels on roofs. 3) Flags erected by NLC are inclusive, proud to be British. Funding for flag poles is available. 4) April only 3 bins no recycling boxes. Brown bin will be for food waste & emptied weekly. 5) Children's Services are avidly seeking foster carers in area.

Proud to have no children's home in N. Lincs. 6) NLC pilot scheme for Community Care to bring services back into the villages providing care at home package in own homes not in care homes. 7) Leisure – 7157 children took advantage of free swimming during the summer holidays. 6200 took part in the reading challenge. There's been a good take up of the Fit for Free 3-month trial. Healthy Me are looking for volunteers in villages to take free blood pressures. Another air fryer launch this month for pensioners & community groups. 8) Cadent Centre for Warmth looking for Energy Champions in community groups for funding opportunities. Raising awareness of energy efficiency, carbon monoxide and the priority services registers.

2509/08

Reports.

1. The Luddite

The Chair confirmed the next edition will be distributed this month.

2. Highways.

Road markings renewed on High Street with Keep Clear by playing field gate. Overhanging hedge on High Street opposite village hall to be trimmed by the Comm OP.

3. Improvements on the Playing Field

The clerk confirmed a grant for £2,000 has been approved by SSE Thermal but after getting quotes insufficient to resurface the playground. The clerk to contact SSE Thermal for options.

4. Playfield field committee update

The clerk confirmed the repair to the fence has been completed.

The council **AGREED** donations rather than fixed rental fees for the playing field but signage required for use at own risk.

5. Playing Field changing rooms refurbishment

After receiving a proposal to refurbish the changing rooms the clerk confirmed the council need to rescind the agreed disposal first.

6. National Grid – North Humber to High Marnham grid upgrade – an update from National Grid will shortly be sent to all households.

7. Dates of Village Hall Events 2025.

The Village Hall confirmed all upcoming events for 2025 are internal.

8. Trees on the Square

The council **AGREED** for the clerk to contact the NLC Tree Surgeon for help due to lack of skills & finance.

9. St Oswald's Church

The clerk has created and distributed the flyer for the Luddington Volunteers WhatsApp Group which will be set up this month. Hopefully, the church will get the help & support needed. The council **AGREED** to remove from future agendas.

10. Noticeboard

The clerk presented quotes for a new noticeboard with funding coming from the SSE Thermal Keadby fund, applications open in October with a decision in January. The council **AGREED** for the clerk to proceed with the application.

2509/09

Police Matters / NATs

Nothing to report.

2509/10

Planning.

No new applications

- 2509/11 Correspondence.**
Disruption expected with the Yorkshire Water roadworks on the Luddington/Eastoft Road from 15th Sept to 5th Dec. Bus services will be affected along with road closures/restrictions.
The council have no jurisdiction but have informed the resident of the anonymous complaint.
- 2509/12 Microgrant Applications.**
Senior's Christmas Lunch – H. Staniforth – the council **AGREED** the £300 microgrant.
- 2509/13 Agenda Items for the next meeting.**
Co-option
Rescind changing room disposal
Changing room proposal
- 2509/14 To confirm date for next meeting.**
Monday 13th October 2025 at 7pm at Luddington & Garthorpe Primary School.