
Ellel Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Ellel Parish Council Held on Monday 10th November 2025 at Galgate Recreation Rooms

Present: Cllr Booth, Cllr L. Corkerry, (in the chair), Cllr S. Corkerry, Cllr Charlesworth, Cllr Collinson, Cllr Hoggarth, Cllr Peach and Cllr Pollitt.

Steve Caswell - clerk.

7 members of the public.

Open forum

Issues raised during the open forum:

- A member of the public explained that the planning application 25/01011/FUL was an application that had been made invalid as the applicant had included land in the application not owned by the applicant.
- Cllr Peach informed the council that the new “Hook a Duck” drop in café and bakery would be open each Wednesday from the end of November.
- A member of the public asked the council for help with the current situation on Leachfield Close. This was noted and the member of the public recommended to contact Lancaster City Council as landlord, to pursue the issues.
- A member of the public informed the council that a number of caravans had appeared parked outside residential properties, presumably for the winter period.
- A member of the Galgate Bowling Club explained to the council that they were having problems with access to the bowling green during major competitions when the Galgate Football Club had match days and the access road was closed. The football club will be alerted to this and the dates of bowling competitions forwarded to them.
- A member of the public raised a concern over large tractors spilling slurry on roads through Galgate.
- The council were informed that the Dolphinholme Neighbourhood Development Plan had been revived.

224/25 Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mather.

225/25 Declaration of interests.

Cllr S Corkerry and Cllr L Corkerry declared an interest in any item regarding the Galgate Action Flood Group as members.

Cllr L Corkerry, Cllr Booth and Cllr Peach declared an interest in any item concerning the Warm Spaces Group.

Cllr Hoggarth declared an interest in any item concerning the Galgate Treat Day.

226/25 To consider and approve the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 13th October 2025.

It was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the chair.

Proposed by Cllr Charlesworth

Seconded by Cllr Pollitt

227/25 Members Reports and Updates

Cllr S Corkerry informed the council that he would be siting a new keysafe for the changing rooms section of the Receptions Rooms. This would be for the sole use of the cricket club. Cllr S Corkerry informed the council that the lights in the kitchen of the Recreation Rooms needed to be repaired or replaced.

The council agreed that both these items could be purchased from the repairs and renewals budget.

228/25 To consider matters of planning and development control.

The council were informed that application 25/01011/FUL had become invalid.

The council considered the other planning applications before them and made no comments.

229/25 To consider payments for authorisation.

Payments for authorisation:

October 2025

Electricity Invoice	£ 108.56
Three Wi-Fi	£ 23.50
M6 Media Ltd – monthly hosting fee	£ 50.77
NFU Mutual – Insurance	£ 107.49
Clerk's Salary	£ 1279.90
Lengthsman Costs	£ 690.90
Defibrillator Pads	£ 75.18

Authority to make the payments was granted.

Proposed by Cllr Booth

Seconded by Cllr S Corkerry

230/25 Ellel Parish Council Half Year Accounts

The clerk/RFO presented the current situation with regards the accounts for the first half of the fiscal year and answered questions from members. It was explained that the target budgets were as expected for the end of year targets with a small excess expected of £2452.00

231/25 Galgate Bus Shelter

The council considered the quote of £360 to paint the bus shelter in Galgate similar to other shelters along the A6. The council considered that this would not only make the bus shelter more attractive and also would discourage further graffiti at the site. It was agreed that this item be deferred until March 2026 to give members enough time to seek alternative options.

232/25 Reports, Correspondence and Crime Statistics

The clerk reported on:

- The safety netting besides the Ellel Village Hall is in need of upgrading.
- Galgate Bowling Club have a new chair and would like to host car boot sales on the Recreation Fields car park to raise funds for the club. The council agreed that this wasn't a problem as long as the Village Hall was consulted prior the any sales being arranged.

The Clerk reported the Police Crime Statistics for September 2025

Antisocial behavior – 5 incidents
 Criminal Damage and Arson – 3s incident
 Other thef3 – 2 incidents
 Violence / Sexual Offences – 6 incidents

223/25 Date and time of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Galgate Recreation Rooms at 7pm on Monday 8th December 2025

The meeting closed at 8.02pm

Signed..... Date.....