

East Peckham Parish Council

EPPC Events, Youth & Community Committee Minutes;

Minutes of a meeting of East Peckham Parish Council's Youth, Community and Events Committee on 24th June 2026 at 6.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room, Jubilee Hall, Pippin Road, East Peckham TN12 5BT.

To: Members of the Parish Council – From J. Perretta

Wednesday 27th July 2026

1. Attendees, Apologies for absence.

Attendees; Cllrs M. Joannes, T. Hendry – Lewis, J. Scorey, D. Fairless, D. Seal, H. Wright, Assistant Clerk J. Perretta, residents M. Foster & M. Perretta.

2. Signing of Minutes of previous meeting; 24th June 2026

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by; D. Fairless, Agreed with a show of hands.

3. To update the committee on the recent get together with the community garden

volunteers; Updates included, making clear to volunteers the sole use of the CG WhatsApp group is for garden information only, materials required, continued support in the garden, how to manage certain plants etc.

4. To discuss and resolve requested items for the community garden;

- 6 water butts, it was resolved to purchase two water butts to the value of £100.00
- 40 Canes - deferred
- 3 x banners to advertise the garden & opening times, it was resolved to proceed with purchasing 2 banners.
- To install a third stand pipe – It was agreed the AC will collate quotations to present to Full Council.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by; H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

5. To agree how a £100.00 cash donation can be used in the community garden; It was agreed the donated funds are to be used for a shade in the formal area.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

6. To discuss and approve a dog post/wooden kennel to be placed outside of the CG gates;

The Committee resolved to not proceed with either option.

Proposed by; D. Fairless, Seconded by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

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- 7. To agree to the community garden having a dedicated Facebook page;** It was agreed that a dedicated Facebook page can be set up using the rules set by the social media policy. Cllr M. Joannes agreed to be an admin member. All posts are to be monitored and approved by admin.

Proposed by; T. Hendry – Lewis, Seconded by D. Fairless, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 8. Update on lottery grant application;** The £3,000 lottery application for the CG was denied due to incorrect bank details that were provided. It was agreed this would be raised by the finance committee to resolve before an application is re submitted.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Agreed by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 9. To agree who will join the committee WhatsApp group;** It was resolved to set up an Event WhatsApp group with the following committee members; M. Joannes, T. Hendry – Lewis, D. Fairless, H. Wright, M. Foster, M. Perretta & Assistant Clerk J. Perretta.

D. Seal & J. Scorey declined to join.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by T. Hendry – Lewis, Agreed with a show of hands.

10. Update on the Halloween event planning;

The DJ has been confirmed.

Face painter is yet to confirm attendance.

M. Joannes will purchase what is needed for the event within budget.

M. Joannes to organise an ice cream van

Tickets to be sold at £1 per child (to be paid on the night in cash) & the Parish Office will take all bookings.

The Clerk is to create a Halloween poster.

Proposed by; J. Scorey, Seconded by M. Foster, Agreed with a show of hands.

11. Update on the forthcoming Christmas light switch on;

- 11.1 To agree stall fees;** It was agreed external village stalls will pay a £15.00 stall fee, Stall holders who live or have a business in the village will not pay a fee. Local food businesses to be informed of event and encouraged to get involved. The AC to investigate candy floss & chestnuts.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.2 To agree additional lighting quotations;** It was resolved to get additional quotations to present to Full Council + hire costs.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by; H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.3 To agree power supply;** It was agreed that M. Joannes & D. Seal would investigate this in the first instance. The AC will also acquire quotations for a generator.

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Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.4 To agree any additional decorations & cost; It was agreed to purchase additional Christmas tree decorations to the value of £500.00. It was agreed the committee will consider new Christmas lights in January 2027.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.5 To agree entertainer/Father Christmas & resolve budget; It was agreed T. Henry – Lewis will book Father & Mother Christmas if possible.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, T. Hendry -Lewis, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.6 To agree whom will switch on the Christmas lights; It was agreed that Father & or Mother Christmas will switch on the lights. It was agreed to allocate £200.00 if needed.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, D. Fairless, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 11.7 Choir?. T. Hendry – Lewis will request the services of the EP choir to play a 15 minute session.

T. Hendry – Lewis & M. Foster have agreed to do a raffle.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

12. To discuss and resolve how to use the following monies;

- 12.1 £948.00 grant money received in 2025 from TMBC, It was agreed to use this monies for Christmas tree decorations to be purchased this year.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 12.2 £3,400.00 sponsorship money (ring fenced), It was agreed to use this monies for additional Christmas lighting.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 12.3 To choose a local organisation to receive £155.00 that was raised at the 2025 Christmas light switch on event raffle. It was resolved to donate these funds to the East Peckham Men's Shed.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by, J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 12.4 To agree the summer event date in 2027; Saturday 12th June 2027.

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.

- 12.5 To agree the type of event; Deferred

Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by; T. Hendry- Lewis, Agreed with a show of hands.

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- 13. To discuss and approve the summer activity fees proposed by sports groups;** It was agreed to fund summer tennis, netball & pickleball events with K. Bennett, totalling £210.00 for 6 sessions, for children between 4 & 11 years. The AC to manage bookings.
It was resolved to request the young dog handler session to be trialled by the Trainor & depending on success, the committee will consider more sessions.
The AC confirmed 2 x free children's yoga sessions will be taking place at the Jubilee Hall.
All facilities fees have been waived.
Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by H. Wright, Agreed with a show of hands.
- 14. To approve any quotations;** To book Kazzamataz for the Christmas Event at a cost of £200.00.
Proposed by, Seconded by, Agreed with a show of hands
- 15. Update on playground repair works;** The repair works to the value of £7,956.00 (EXC VAT). have been actioned. The second operational report for this year has been actioned and we are waiting on the report.
- 16. To discuss any future playground refurb plans;** M. Joannes will action a focused public survey. Date to be confirmed.
Proposed by; M. Joannes, Seconded by J. Scorey, Agreed with a show of hands.
- 17. Garden Competition update;** The competition was judged by Cllr T. Hendry – Lewis & Assistant Clerk J. Perretta. The Winners details will be published in the village magazine and Cllr D. Seal is to deliver the prizes.
- 18. Update on village planting and maintenance;** With thanks to A. Joannes and another resident for maintaining the PC planting areas within the village.
- 19. Matters for future discussion;** Older children events, adult events, Halloween party for adults, Christmas market, consider the decommission of Christmas lights for 2027.
- 20. Confirm date of next meeting;** TBA

Meeting Closed at 7.50pm