

**MINUTES OF THE EASINGWOLD ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD IN THE
LOUNGE, THE GALTRES CENTRE AT 6.15 PM ON TUESDAY 20TH MAY 2025**

Present: Councillors Nottage, Barnes, Johnston-Banks, Varney, Madden, Buckle and Whiteside. No members of the public were present.

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

1. Apologies were received from Town Councillors Bilson and Butcher, the Assistant Clerk and North Yorkshire Councillor Knapton
2. The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held 24th May 2024 were received and approved.
3. There were no matters arising from the minutes
4. Chairman's Annual Report

The Chairman thanked the Clerk, the Assistant Clerk, our contractors, all Town Councillors, Councillor Nigel Knapton and all the volunteers especially Kay Riley. The Chairman noted the sad passing of former Chairman of the Council John Tanner-Smith and Chris Jackson a former councillor and volunteer who did so much for the town and will be sadly missed.

Another busy year has passed where much has been done to maintain and improve the Town both physically and socially. This was reflected in Easingwold being recognised by The Sunday times as one of the best places in the country to live! However, there is always more to do and we will continue to work as best we can to maintain and improve the town further.

The Annual Council Newsletter contains a good summary of the achievements and activities in 2024/25 some of which included:

- Yorkshire in Bloom regional winners
- Summer of Music and other events including the Scouts Bonfire at Millfields Park
- Millfields lighting project
- The Memorial Park refurbishment
- Claypenny Park refurbishment
- Bike Racks in the Market Place
- A new Vision for Easingwold
- Resurfacing the jogging path, Jacko's way and the bike track
- Christmas Lights and Light Up a Life
- New seats, bins and flower displays
- The Friendship Initiative

5. No reports were received from other bodies
6. No report was received from North Yorkshire Council
7. There were no resolutions from the public
8. There were no questions from the floor

The meeting closed at 18.18