

EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
MONDAY 20TH JULY 2026, COUNCIL CHAMBER, GALTRES CENTRE

Present: Councillors R. Varney (Chairman), N. Madden, K. Butcher, E. Whiteside, C. Barnes, C. Bilson

In attendance: Councillor F. Johnston-Banks,

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

1.	To elect a Chairman Councillor Varney was nominated by Councillor Butcher and unanimously elected Chairman.
2.	Terms of reference The terms of reference were reviewed and amendments agreed.
3.	Apologies No apologies were received.
	Public Questions or Comments No members of the public were present therefore the meeting was not adjourned.
4.	Clerk's Progress report • The Allotment inspection has taken place and letters have been issued • The bin has been ordered from NYC • The Clerk has instructed the Handyman to look at the loose fencing by the Co-op
5.	Action List The action list was received and updated
6.	Toilets 6.1 The up-to-date Register of Incidents was noted 6.2 New toilet roll dispensers were considered and it was agreed to approve the price by email.
7.	Allotments 7.1 The waiting list was received and no action was considered necessary. 7.2 The 50 year anniversary of an allotment holder was considered and it was AGREED to obtain a voucher. 7.3.Quotes for works to trees were received and it was AGREED to approve Top Cut Trees quote. It was AGREED to organise an allotment visit with Councillors Varney, Butcher the current Assistant Clerk and the new Assistant Clerk.
8.	Market Place The market place improvement plan was received from Councillor Varney and updated.
9.	Long Street The litter on Long Street was considered and an email was received from a resident. It was AGREED that the Clerk should write a letter to businesses who have street furniture licences and point out there is a big litter problem and request that they keep their areas neat and tidy as stated in their licences. It was AGREED to also write to all businesses in market square and the market traders. It was AGREED that Councillor Varney should ask Councillor Hunter to take a lead on this.
10.	Defibrillator Moving the defibrillator from the George to the public toilets was considered and it was AGREED to leave it in its current position.
11.	Bleed kit A quote was received and it was AGREED not to proceed with the bleed kit.

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12.0	Finance & Budget Monitoring The financial position at 30/06/2026 was noted and it was agreed to transfer the budget from one Misc Expenditure to another.
13.0	Drainage There were no matters to consider.
14.0	Next Meeting To note the next meeting is scheduled for 19 th October 2026, at 7.30pm or on the rising of the Planning Committee

The meeting finished at 20.00