



Minutes from the meeting of Ewelme Parish Council on Wednesday 9th September 2026

Present Parish Councillors: Rebecca Lanigan (Chair/RL)
Sally Stockings (SS) (MI) Nigel Layton (NL)
District Councillor: Sue Cooper (SC)
Joanna Brock (Clerk) 1 member of the public

116/26 **Apologies for absence:** Barry Tindall (BT), Paul Stillaway (PS) and Mike Ibbott (MI.). Andrea Powell (AP), as SC is representing SODC and Gavin McLaughlin (GM.)

117/26 **Declarations of interest:** None.

118/26 **Minutes of meeting 12/08/2026:** These were agreed and signed.

119/26 **Public session:** No one wished to speak at this time.

120/26 **County and District Council reports:** GM sent an OCC report, and AP & SC sent an SODC report before the meeting. These were circulated. SC attended the meeting and said the Government has halted the major reorganisation of local government. The second Joint Local Plan for SODC has been launched and is now in consultation. SC said Neighbourhood plans (NHP) are strongly recommended to include an allocated site for development. SC suggested that Ewelme update their NHP and allocate a site for development.

121/26 **Nature:** J. Brannan (JB) attended the meeting. He suggested establishing a hazel coppice in the parish to enable the parish to be self-sufficient in hazelwood. JB suggested that a suitable site could be part of Cow Common. The Big Chalk initiative is offering grants for nature recovery projects such as this. The PC agreed to JB expressing an interest.

122/26 **Planning: P26/S3329/HH:** Prospect Farm, Ewelme, OX10 6HD. Conversion of the barn to provide ancillary accommodation. RESOLVED EPC have no objections.

123/26 **Accounts and Administration:**

- (a) receive finance report
- (b) approve invoices for online payments
- (c) The Clerk reported the NALC pay agreement agreed from April 2026
- (d) The Data Protection & Privacy policy for Traffic Monitoring Cameras, General & Sexual Harassment, Complaints policy and Internal Controls policy - policies were adopted.

124/26 **Traffic:** The PC have received several emails regarding speeding traffic on Eyres Lane. This is being looked into, along with OCC.

125/26 **New bike stands:** The PC agreed to contribute £65 towards the new bike stands.

126/26 **Proposed footpath on Cat Lane & Parson's Lane:** No update from the working group.

127/26 **Health & safety issues:** Nothing to report.

128/26 **Village maintenance:** Nothing to report.

129/26 **Receive reports from meetings, training & other events:** There is an online planning meeting tomorrow, which the Clerk will attend.

130/26 **Correspondence:** This was covered in 124/26 *Traffic*.

131/26 **Other business:** NL witnessed a low flying chinook over the village. This was reported to the RAF, which explained that the aircraft had an electrical fault on take off and had to make an immediate return to the base, taking the shortest route.

The meeting closed at 2000

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Date of next meeting – 14th October 2026

Appendix

Ewelme PC Payments & Receipts September 2026

Minute ref		Payments for authorisation	Amount
		Administration costs	1452.78
42/26 (d)	DD	Grundon	72.76
42/26 (d)	DD	E-On	114.09
42/26 (d)	DD	Castle Water	73.06
42/26 (d)	S/O	Canva subscription	13.00
		Bank charge	4.25
		HMRC payment	584.23
		PATA	55.35
		Julie Faulkner - pavilion clean	195.00
		VHML - hall hire	120.00
			2684.52

Date	Receipts	Amount
04/09/2026	Horticultural Society - pavilion hire	120.00
03/09/2026	Precept	20000.00
		20,120.00

Date	Debit card purchases	Amount
20/08/2026	Refreshments	6.17
24/08/2026	Galleon Supplies - pavilion hand towels	20.40
		26.57