# **Elsenham Parish Council**

Finance Committee Meeting held on 24 March 2023 at 1.30pm in Old Franks, Elsenham.

#### **Present:**

Mr. P Johnson (Chairman PJJ), Mrs. F Lambert (FL), Dr. G Mott (GM), and Mrs. L Johnson (Parish Clerk LJ).

## Members of the public:

None.

### **Minutes**

- 1. Apologies for absence. Mr. B Ogilvie (BO).
- 2. Declarations of Interest. None.

#### 3. Signing of the minutes.

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 February 2023 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

### 4. End of year figures.

Budgets for 2022/2023.

Just three invoices outstanding before the end of the year; Alison Hutchinson, D Honours and Son and ENC Electrical Ltd, totalling approximal £15,600. The funds to transfer over to next year will be close to the figure projected by the Finance Committee in October 2022.

#### 5. Next year's budgets 2023/2024.

The Playing Field Committee must agree whether to increase the EYFC fees for 2023-2024. In past years EYFC have agreed to pay half of the maintenance fees. In 2023-24 the maintenance contract for the football pitches is £11,275.

#### 6. The football pitch maintenance contract.

The contractor for the football pitch maintenance contract has asked for advance payment of £4,800 to purchase grass seeds and fertilizer.

After some discussion it was agreed by 2 votes in favour and 1 against to recommend the following proposal to Full Council.

**Proposal:** EPC purchase grass seeds and fertilizer to the value of £4,800. This amount is then deducted from the total amount of the contract.

If EPC purchase the items then they will belong to EPC. EPC can also claim back the VAT.

#### 7. AOB.

The minimum pay has been increased. LJ to add to Parish Council's agenda, an increase to the litter pickers pay.

The meeting finished at 2.15pm.