



OXTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting Held on
Tuesday 13th May at 7.30 pm in the Sylvia Bell Room, Oxton Village Hall**

Present: Cllr's: Lyndsey Whitby (LW), Donna Leivers (DL), Jeremy Leivers (JL), Kathryn Simpson (KS), and Kevin Cocker (KC) (*arrived 20h10*).

In Attendance: Rhona Holloway (RH) Clerk

Public attendance: 2

Year and Minute	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
	<p>Public Participation: A member of the public mentioned there were some rumours around possible multiple house building in the village and asked for an update. They were advised that this possibly was related to the NSDC Strategic housing, employment, land allocation assessment survey being conducted by NSDC. A resident highlighted the public consultation on the Local nature recovery strategy by Nottinghamshire County Council and highlighted how important this could be for the Village in terms of Biodiversity offsite/onsite mitigation. The Clerk to circulate the survey.</p> <p>A further comment was made relating to the ownership of the riparian watercourse on Water Lane and that was being investigated.</p>
016/25	<p>Farewell to the current Clerk and welcome to the new one, The Chairman mentioned that L J had been unable to make the meeting but then welcomed the new Clerk to the Parish Council</p>
017/25	<p>To receive and accept apologies for absence: Cllr Cocker had informed the PC that he would be late to the meeting. Cllr. Lempicki sent her apologies and would be late to the meeting</p>
001825	<p>To receive and note declarations of interest: There were no declarations of interest.</p>
019/25	<p>Appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair: Lyndsey Whitby was appointed as Chair for the coming year. Kathryn Simpson was appointed as the Vice-Chair</p>
020/25	<p>Agree and appoint Councillor responsibilities: It was agreed to maintain the current responsibilities.</p> <p>It was confirmed that the new Trustees for Godfreys Charity were Cllr. D Leivers, Cllr J Leivers and Cllr K. Cocker, it was moved by Cllr. Simpson and accepted by the Parish Council</p>
021/25	<p>To accept as a true record of the meeting the Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes from the meeting held on 8th April 2025 were accepted as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.</p>
022/25	<p>To Report on Matters Arising: none</p>

023/25	To receive and note reports from District and County Councillor: The Parish Council congratulated Cllr. Jackson on his re-election. Roger Jackson highlighted the change of leadership at the County Council and mentioned that the new leader of the Council had only just been appointed. As RJ was now in opposition, he would be holding the new administration to account and working hard to ensure a fair distribution of services.
024/25	Planning: The planning application was discussed, it was agreed that the Clerk would send a note to the Planning Department at NSDC highlighting the decision of the Council.
025/25	Financial Matters: a. To note payments received and authorise accounts for payment: NOTED & AUTHORISED b. To approve monthly bank reconciliation as of 30 th April, it was noted that the new Clerk had not received confirmation of all payments during the month and would therefore bring this back to the next meeting. c. To sign bank mandate, this was provided to Councillors to sign. D. The Clerk mentioned the Bank application was ongoing e. Ecclesiastical Insurance renewal. It was highlighted that this was a very large document for consideration, there had been an increase in price from last year but as the renewal date was fast approaching there was not enough time to consider other options. KC would diarise this for December to look at other options for 2026
026/25	To receive and note Lead Role reports
a.	Highways: A fly tipping report had been received but on investigation it seems the object had been removed.
b.	Village Hall: The VH were advertising for a new Steward, there was a live and local event happening in May, discussions were taking place about the ownership of the Car park at the VH.
c.	Recreation Ground: KS and JL to carry out the monthly checks of the play equipment, the benches needed some work, and a task group would be set up to sand them down and re-stain.
d.	Green Spaces (LW): The pricing for the design work for the lighting columns was discussed and it was resolved to pay £600.00 to Via for the Design work to be completed for the new lighting columns. The proposal for the new planters was discussed and it was resolved to order 3 new planters at a cost of £233.00 + VAT per planter in brown to match the existing planters.it was noted that the cost of compost would also need to be added. This had been set aside in the budget.
e.	Risk & Resilience/flood defenses: Following the presentation by NCC flood team at the recent annual Parish meeting it was confirmed that Consultants had already been into the village to look at all the areas that were at risk. This work would be ongoing for some time.
f.	Maintenance: none noted
027/25	To approve the following a. Design quote for the lighting column: This was done at minute no.026/d. b. The purchase of the new planter and plants. This was dealt with under minute no. 026/d c. Replacement bins. This was re-scheduled for June's meeting

028/25	To receive, note and action Correspondence received: All correspondence was circulated electronically.
029/25	Any other business: An update on the Grant funding by KC, who said he had been on a course at NSDC which gave hints and tips around how to submit successful funding bids, he would be putting together a funding calendar to help with this.it was uncertain what funding would be available from NCC under the new leadership. KS highlighted that she had not been able to get costings yet for the new website and would liaise with the Clerk to get that for the next meeting. Clerk to add in these items for future meetings.
030/25	Date of next Parish Council meeting: Tuesday 10 th June 2025 at 7.30 pm in the Sylvia Bell Room at the VH.
031/25	Meeting Closed: There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:52