

Shireoaks Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th May 2026

Present:

Chair: Cllr R Hauxwell

Councillors: Cllr C Dixon, Cllr G Robinson, Cllr J Potts, Cllr B Ayton, Cllr S Fielding,

District Cllr : None

County Cllr : Cllr B Bingham

Clerk: Louise Richmond-Smith (Clerk)

There was 0 member of the public present.

50/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from: District Cllr D Pressley, Cllr R Hewson

Absence without apologies being received: Cllr P Blagg

51/26 Declaration of Interest and to identify any agenda items from which the press and public should be excluded due to the confidential nature of the business.

Cllr Fielding declared an interest in any planning matters and Friends of Woodland items on the agenda.

52/26 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 14th April 2026

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the above date, copies of which had been circulated previously to members, were confirmed as a true record.

Proposed by Cllr Dixon, seconded by Cllr Robinson and signed by the Chair.

53/26 Matters Arising

a) Christmas Lights – Update from testing

The testing has now been completed. There are two posts which are not suitable for the lights. It was agreed that those Cllrs who are available will meet on Tuesday, 19th May at 7:30, weather depending, at the end of Stancliffe to do a walk of the village and pick the lampposts which will have lights. The Clerk will contact the company to update them on testing and ask for a brochure to pick from, or perhaps if they can attend the next council meeting to show the options.

b) Repair of the two village signs

The quote has been received of £60 to refurbish the village signs. Proposed by Cllr C Dixon Seconded by Cllr B Ayton

c) Stop the Bleed kits

It has been confirmed that these are free, and the Clerk will contact them to have them placed in all three defibrillators, which the Parish Council maintains.

d) Village planting Extra

It was discussed that the two tubs on Cornwall are unrepairable. It was agreed that the Council would look into replacing. Cllr R Hauxwell will take a picture of the space, and we will then investigate replacements. The proposed Summer planting quote was proposed by Cllr G Robinson and seconded by Cllr R Hauxwell. The clerk will contact WHL to arrange. Discussed D West to water planters twice a week and as needed, depending on needs.

54/26 New Business

a) Insurance renewal

Renewal quote shared and paid as per the previous agreement.

b) Lengthsman Scheme renewal

Clerk to contact to say we will be signing up for this. Cllr R Hauxwell suggested a good use of this money to start off with would be the post opposite the post office, which needs cleaning. Clerk to contact D West to get completed.

55/26 Planning

a) New applications

26/00395/FUL - Proposal: New 4 bed Dormer Bungalow with New Entrance (Self Build) Site: Garden Of Brookfield Shireoaks Common Shireoaks Nottinghamshire

No objections; however, the following comments are to be made around drainage onto Shireoaks Common, ask the highway to comment on access, and that they consider the views of close neighbours.

b) Decisions and Awaiting Decisions

23/01399/FUL – proposed construction of a ground mounted solar photovoltaic Farm – Land N and NE of Steetley

24/00646/CDM County Matter Application for the Proposed Development of a Plastic Chemical Recycling Facility and Energy Recovery Facility with Integrated Materials Recovery Area, along with Associated Development Including Car Parking, Boundary Treatment and Fencing, hard and Soft Landscaping and Ecological Enhancement – Former Notts Recycling centre, Shireoaks Road S80 3HA- **Bassetlaw District Council raised objections**

26/00312/ELE -Replace Two Existing Grid Transformers and Install Concrete Bunds Around New Transformers and Install Two New Natural Earth Resistors on Concrete Bases at Holme Carr 33Kv/11kV Primary Substation - Electricity Sub Station Spring Lane Shireoaks Nottinghamshire

26/00248/CAT - Works to trees within a Conservation Area Consisting of Ash Tree Four Stems to be Removed Due to Lean of 65 Degrees - 6 Bethel Terrace Shireoaks Nottinghamshire S81 8LR – **Not to make a Tree Preservation Order**

56/26 Reports from County/District Councillors

County Cllr Bingham

The most affected parts of the A57 bypass are due to have a surface treatment shortly. Shireoaks Common is also on the list with a date to be confirmed. Signage is going up for 'works coming'.

The dangerous bend off the A57 roundabout towards Woodsetts has Chevron signs being installed.

Speed awareness signs on the Common are in the pipeline, such as '30 for a reason'.

Regarding the main river and surface water flooding issues, Scott Stone has assessed locally

Issue on Shireoaks Road before the rail bridge – Natural Flood Management work being undertaken by Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust is installing measures on the Pit Top site, which will slow water running off the site.

I've been in touch with VIA as Highways, and they have confirmed that they have also been undertaking some investigatory works into the connections from the Pit Top side to the Canal, checking the pipe under the road.

Flood mitigation -The monitoring on the River Ryton is a system we installed as part of a trial, but it has not been able to deliver the results that we are looking for. As such, we have found a better system which will allow much better access to the data and are currently working through procurement for this.

Waste Recycling at Clayland's – Aware of full skips at the Shireoaks Road waste recycling plant. It is now fully open, but advised to avoid peak hours.

Bin collections – Glass recycling introduced has meant added pressure on bin collection. Food waste will additionally be introduced. The issue of Clayland's being down has impacted collections as they are travelling further for disposal. Pyrolysis plant – there has been no further movement on this.

Funding available – Discuss funding Cllr Davidson has available and Local development fund – advised to check NCC website for more information

Steetley Lane solar farm - we continue to oppose it, although it is the Government's national policy to approve. This is going before planning next week.

District Cllr D Presley did not attend the meeting and sent the following report

There are no updates on the Signal Box at the moment. I will follow this up at the next meeting of the North Notts & Lincs CRP on 15th July in Worksop Town Hall at 10-30am. The District Council will be holding its AGM tomorrow, when we will elect our new Chair and Vice Chair for 2026/27. The Meeting will be held in the Ceres Suite in Worksop Town Hall at 6-30pm, and all are welcome to attend. We are still waiting for the roles of Parish Councils after the

conclusion of the Local Government Review on the local Councils in Nottinghamshire. This will be clearer in the summer when we know how Nottinghamshire is to be changed.

Cllr Fielding updated us on Cllr Presley's wife and the Parish Council would like to send them both our best wishes.

57/26 Finance

- a) Balance/Payments and Receipts – Report added below
- b) To approve Draft Final Accounts (prior to audit) – The year-end balances were presented by the Clerk. These are under audit by the Internal Auditor and will then be sent for External Audit.
- c) To agree Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 – This was agreed and signed by the Chair. This is now ready for the External Auditor and publication on the website as required.
- d) To agree Accounting Statements 2025/26 – This was agreed and signed by the Chair. This is now ready for the External Auditor and publication on the website as required.
- e) To agree Notice of Public Rights and Publication Dates – This was agreed and signed by the Chair. This is now ready for the External Auditor and publication on the website as required.

58/26 Emergency Measures

- c) Flooding

We have received a donation of hessian bags from a member of the public, which are empty and stored in a flood container for use in filling sandbags.

59/26 Correspondence

- a) Emails from the public

Cycofix– have sent an email requesting that we might apply for a Host License – Cllr S Fielding will look into what this is and bring to the next meeting.

Cricket Ground – Worksop Cricket Club have registered an interest in playing at Shireoaks Cricket Ground and have been advised to contact the owner directly. They have now requested that they not be contacted about this further. Discussed the parish council's limitations with this.

60/26 Police report

None present and no reports sent

61/26 Members' reports and exchange of information on matters of concern.

Cllr B Ayton – Discussed the matter of the Tree Felling and the issues this had

Cllr S Fielding – informed that she will be voted in tomorrow as the Chair of BDC

Cllr G Robinson – questioned about Best Kept Village. Clerk to follow up to see if this is still running

Meeting ended at 21:10

Date of next meeting: 9th June 2026

Balanced to statements as at**24.4.26**

Nat West Current	24,708.38	
Nat West Reserve	5,976.50	
	30,684.88	
Payments received since last meeting (inc in above)		
precept	16,620.00	
VAT refund	109.16	
	16,729.16	
The following Cheques are still unrepresented		
2371 rent	264.00	
2377 S MacD - wages	82.95	
	346.95	
The following are to pay this meeting		
2378 D West - wash benches	200.00	
2379 D West - planter	25.00	225.00
2380 SWH - maintainance	600.00	
SWH - litter	400.00	1,000.00
2381 S MacDonald - wages		55.55
2383 L Richmond-Smith wages	328.50	
Lexpenses	10.00	338.50
2384 Gallagher Insurance		541.62
2385 HMRC		96.20
This months cheques		2,256.87
Total of all outstanding cheques		2,603.82
After the above movements the balances will be:		
Nat West Current	22,104.56	
Nat West Reserve	5,976.50	
		28,081.06
TOTAL FUNDS HELD		
of which the Firework balance is	4,286.84	
Remaining Parish Council funds		23,794.22