

CAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday 9th July 2025 at 7.30 pm at Dean Hole Primary School.

Present: Councillors: S. Routledge (SR), C Jagger (CJ), R. Edwards (RE), S. Michael (SM), A. Baugh (AB), S Webb (SB)
P. Wilson (PW)

In attendance: Rhona Holloway (Clerk), Cllr Sue Saddington, Cllr Bruce Laughton and 2 members of public.

Agenda item/minute item/year	CONSIDERATION AND DECISIONS
	The Chairman proposed that the running order be changed and that agenda item 056/25 murphy Moor land be moved to the end of the agenda, Councillors moved, seconded and agreed the proposal.
	Public Participation: A member of the public raised concerns around the recent wastewater bills sent by NSDC to some residents of Deans Close. He is aware that some residents have challenged this bill, but he is particularly concerned at the lack of communication and explanation from NSDC as many residents affected had been trying to find out why the bills had been sent. The Chairman suggested that Cllr. Saddington sets up a meeting with residents, herself and NSDC to discuss this and in the meantime, she requests NSDC put a stop on any bills until the meeting has taken place.
048/25	Apologies: none
049/25	Declarations of interest: Cllr. Baugh registered his interest in agenda item 056/25 and would leave the room whilst that discussion took place
050/25	Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes from the meeting held on 11 th June 2025 were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting and signed by the Chair.
051/25	Matters arising: None
052/25	Reports from District and County Councillors: Cllr. Saddington mentioned that there was a Full Council meeting taking place at NSDC on Tuesday 15 th July when Members would determine which of the Local Government reorganisation options NSDC would be supporting to Government. Cllr. Laughton highlighted that at the moment there was no work being done at NCC as the new Leadership had not put a forward plan into place, at the moment the Council was still undertaking work from the previous Conservative administration. He highlighted the good news that the funding for the A614 had been confirmed and that the first piece of the work would start at the Ollerton roundabout
053/25	Reports from Councillors and Clerk: SR reported that the tree that had fallen over the footbridge had been assessed by the drainage board they reported that in principle the cost would be met by 50% drainage Board and 50% Nottinghamshire County Council. A Tree Surgeon had been instructed, and the work would be done W/C 14 th July, he also hoped that the willow tree in the church yard would be done at the same time. Councillors would update their reports during agenda item 57

054/25	<p>Financial Matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Payments totalling £254.80 were approved and signed by 2 Cllrs. b. Bank reconciliation as of June 30th, 2025, at £7621.73 was agreed and signed off c. AGAR: The Clerk confirmed that the AGAR had been submitted and had been electronically confirmed as received
055/25	<p>Planning matters: 25/00998/S73 variation of condition 2, this had gone through, and no further comment was needed.</p>
057/25	<p>Village environment and appearance including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Playground and services include monthly property managers' inspection reports and the woodland area report: The dry weather had resulted in some shrinkage of earth around one of the pieces of equipment on the park, it was agreed that AB and CJ add some postcrete to stabilize this The Clerk mentioned that the grant funding from Sport England for the new goal posts was proving difficult to access under the terms of the funding. Councillors moved seconded and agreed that the Clerk order the Goal posts anyway to replace the existing ones on the field. b. CIG: All OK c. Allotment update: All OK d. Update on GNRSP: Nothing new to note e. School: There had been a meeting with the Tennis Club and the School, and a formal agreement was being put in place for the Tennis Club to use the courts at agreed times during the day. The school had had an Ofsted visit and a Diocese report done and these were both deemed as good. Following the reports the school would be looking to do a campaign to local parents to try and attract more pupils to the school f. Grass cutting contract: Nothing new to report.
058/25	<p>Service faults: Newark Road gullies had been done, Manor Road needs the drains sorting out, but this has been ongoing for some years.</p>
059/25	<p>Biodiversity policy: The Clerk confirmed that this item had been circulated to Councillors in advance for review. SR said that this was something embedded into the work the parish Council is involved with on an ongoing basis, and he was happy that this was covered.</p>
060/25	<p>Correspondence: all correspondence has been circulated electronically; nothing required action from the PC.</p>
061/25	<p>Items for the next meeting: Murphy Moor Land</p>
062/25	<p>Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th September 2025 at 7.30 pm at Dean Hole Primary School.</p>
	<p>Cllr. Baugh left the room whilst item 056/25 discussion took place</p>

056/25	Murphy Moor land, to note and make a decision on the tenders received: A full discussion took place over the tenders received and questions raised around the current lease, the Clerk mentioned that there was no information about the current lease on the data stick from the previous Clerk but that she would search through the box file of paperwork to try and locate the existing lease document. The Clerk to look at getting a cost for renewing the lease document as it was now 20+ years old. It was agreed to defer any decision until the September meeting,
063/25	Meeting Closed: The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.52

Signed.....

Chairman of Caunton Parish Council

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