



OXTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting Held on
Tuesday 13th January 2026 at 7.30 pm in the Sylvia Bell Room, Oxton Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs: Lyndsey Whitby (LW), Donna Leivers (DL), Jeremy Leivers (JL), Kathryn Simpson (KS), Hannah Lempicki (HL)

In Attendance: Rhona Holloway (Clerk)

2026	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
	Public Participation: no public present.
103/26	To receive and accept apologies for absence: Cllr Cocker
104/26	To receive and note declarations of interest: Agenda item 110/26(d) for DL and KS
105/26	To accept as a true record of the meeting the Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes from the meeting held on 11 th November 2025 were accepted as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.
106/26	To Report on Matters Arising: Bio-Diversity Policy- it was agreed for this to go on the February agenda
107/26	To receive and note reports from District and County Councillor: Cllr. Jackson gave an update on a planning issue, he has written to Planning Enforcement, and he will forward the reply on for circulation. He has advised that the drainage team at Notts County Council have run out of money for this financial year and so some works will be on hold. He confirmed that the money provided by Government to fix potholes had not been ringfenced and that some Councils had used this money for Adult Social care and Childrens services instead. NCC had used some but not all for the roads and so were highlighted in the press recently as an amber rated Council. Cllr. Jackson would chase the road signage again and chase the village sign on Blind Lane. He would report the fly tip to NSDC.
108/26	Planning: All planning decision notices were noted 25/02129/HOUSE the Council had no objections, Clerk to advise NSDC planning
109/26	Financial Matters: a. To note payments received and authorise accounts for payment: NOTED & AUTHORISED b. To approve monthly bank reconciliation as of 31 st December 2025. Approved and signed by the Chairman c. It was agreed to appoint David Dixon to carry out the Internal Audit again for 2025/26 at a fee of £70.00

110/26	<p>For discussion and decision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) HR Committee: - to be moved to February b) IT Policy: To be moved to February c) Review Code of conduct policy: To be moved to February d) Village hall boundary hedge: This was discussed in detail and an agreement reached to meet half of the cost of the works, with the Village Hall management committee paying half, and then for the Village Hall management committee to continue to maintain this in the future e) Meeting dates for 2026/27: Agreed and signed off, a date for the Annual meeting is still to be set. f) To discuss and sign off the 2026/27 budget and precept requirement: LW and HL outlined the proposed budget line by line with an explanation of all proposed expenditure for 2026/27 and reasons for any variances. This was agreed by all. The Precept request was then discussed and agreed with a 5% inflationary increase to meet current and upcoming commitments. g) To discuss and agree when to turn off the Christmas lights on the VH car park and Elmcroft: It was agreed that the lights are needed for a bit longer as it was very dark at the moment, it was agreed that the lights should stay on until the end of January. LW had purchased extra batteries
111/26	<p>To receive and note Lead Role reports</p>
a.	<p>Highways: DL noted the bund that had appeared and had raised that with Cllr. Jackson, she had reported the fly tip of several oil drums left in a layby just past the Oxton roundabout.</p>
b.	<p>Village Hall: There have been some changes to the Committee recently. The Committee were working up plans for the coming year.</p>
c.	<p>Recreation Ground and maintenance: All was OK nothing to report.</p>
d.	<p>Green Spaces (LW): LW had been busy organising the next round of planting, the budget had been set aside for the coming year to increase the level of planting around the village with wildflowers and bulbs.</p>
e.	<p>Risk & Resilience/flood defenses: DL noted that the flood relief channel had been dredged</p>
f.	<p>Grants: Nothing new to report, awaiting the outcome of the recent grant application from NCC</p>
g.	<p>Transport: Nothing new to report</p>
h.	<p>Website: This was ongoing and were waiting for the Domain Name to be confirmed.</p>
i.	<p>Planning: This was done at the start of the meeting through the planning applications section</p>
112/26	<p>To note correspondence received: All circulated electronically and noted for comment, LW mentioned an e-mail received concerning the overhanging branches in the carpark. The PC to seek some clarification from the Village Hall Committee.</p>
113/26	<p>Any other business: LW confirmed that the grit had been delivered, all grit bins were now full</p>

101/25	Date of next Parish Council meeting: The next meeting would be on 10th February 2026 at 7.30 pm in the Sylvia Bell Room at the VH.
102/25	Meeting Closed: There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.17

Signed by

Chairman - Oxton Parish Council

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