

MINUTES OF THE NASH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON: TUESDAY 12th MAY 2026 at 7.00pm

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PRESENT: Griselda Beaumont (Chair), Clare Morris (Vice-Chair), Lorna Yapp, Peter Stubbs, Mark Beaumont, James Morris

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Angela Vint (Clerk)

MINUTE REF	ITEM	ACTION
2026/23	Apologies: Cllr Cashmore-Jones	
2026/24	Election of Officers: Cllr G Beaumont & Cllr C Morris were elected unanimously as Chair & Vice-Chair respectively	
2026/25	Public Participation: None	
2026/26	Declarations of Interest: None	
2026/27	Approval of Minutes: It was resolved unanimously that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 10th March 2026 be approved as a correct record as proposed by Cllr Stubbs and, seconded by Cllr C Morris	Clerk
2026/28	Chair's Items: - Chair's Network Meeting on 25th March the focus was Shrop C's financial situation – nothing of any note to report - Resignation of Clerk received. Clerk's position advertised via community social media & on Indeed. Several enquiries received & 1 potential candidate interviewed to date & hope to appoint by the end of the month	Chair/ Clerk
2026/29	Clerk's Report: - Draft AGAR submitted to internal auditor - Nash PC has been selected for an intermediate review by the external auditors, PKF Littlejohn for the year 2025/26 reporting year as part of the required 5% sample of those who would otherwise be subject to a basic review - VAT Form 126 submitted to reclaim VAT of £55.18 paid on invoices in the 25/26 FY, & refund received 11th May 2026	
2026/30	Councillor Updates: - The Chair & Vice-Chair have uploaded reports on potholes & the bridge at Corn Brook respectively - Potholes have been marked & work to begin on repairing/replacing the safety barrier, but no timescale given by Shrops Council/their contractors	

2026/31	Approval of AGAR (FY 2025/26): The draft AGAR was approved unanimously & is to be submitted	Clerk
2026/32	Internal Audit Report: - Audit Report submitted with papers. No corrective actions required & comments very positive to go forward with AGAR - One recommendation was to include Bank Reconciliation Report with meeting papers which was actioned, commencing with this meeting	
2026/33	Neighbourhood Governance Proposals: <i>This Council notes:</i> - That the Government's English Devolution & Community Empowerment (EDCE) Bill introduces a new duty on all local authorities to establish "effective neighbourhood governance" structures, with further to be set out in forthcoming regulations - That the Government has stated it wants all local authorities to have a way of working with neighbourhoods "so they are not relying on town and parish councils to do it" indicating that parish & town councils may not automatically be recognised as the primary neighbourhood governance mechanism - That the Secretary of State will have powers to define neighbourhood areas & set criteria for neighbourhood governance arrangements, but these definitions and criteria have not yet been published, creating uncertainty about the future role of parish & town councils within the new framework (nalc.gov.uk) - That parish & town councils are the most local & democratically accountable tier of government, with established relationships in communities & a strong track record of facilitating local engagement & service delivery <i>This council believes:</i> - That parish & town councils should play a central & influential role in any new system of neighbourhood governance, reflecting their democratic mandate & deep local knowledge - That any new governance structures should complement, not duplicate or marginalise, existing parish & town councils - That clear guidance from government is essential to avoid confusion, overlap, & the dilution of local democratic accountability - That parish & town councils are offered the opportunity to join any neighbourhood governance structures created in their area <i>This council resolves to:</i> - Call on our local Member of Parliament to press the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government to: - Ensure that parish & town councils are formally recognised as key partners within the emerging neighbourhood governance framework - Guarantee that the forthcoming regulations & guidance clearly set out how parish & town councils will be integrated into neighbourhood governance structures - Provide assurance that new neighbourhood governance arrangements will not duplicate functions or undermine the democratic legitimacy of parish & town councils - Write to the MP enclosing this motion & requesting	

	active lobbying on behalf of parish & town councils during the development of regulations under the EDCE Bill 3. Engage with our principal authority to express the Council's expectation that parish & town councils be meaningfully involved in shaping local responses to the neighbourhood governance duty 4. Publicly communicate this Council's position to residents, reaffirming our commitment to maintaining strong, local, democratic representation	
2026/34	Financial Matters: Payments made since last meeting: £657.12 Clerk Salary Q4 £ 3.00 Ionos Domain Email (Mar/Apr/May) Monies received: £4,500.00 Precept £ 55.18 VAT Refund Financial Balance: £9,278.53 Accounts approved for payment: £657.12 Clerk Salary Q1 £233.94 SALC Affiliation Fee (FY 26/27)	Clerk
2026/35	Annual Review of Committees, Policies & Procedures: • Cllr J Morris & Cllr R Cashmore-Jones will continue to represent the Council on the Village Hall Committee. No other committees are in existence • The revised & updated Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, General Reserves Policy, & Risk Assessment were unanimously approved for adoption & publication	Clerk
2026/36	Planning Applications: New Planning Applications published on 13/04/2026 relating to the parish of: Nash Ref: 26/01346/AG1 (Validated: 13/04/2026) Address: Proposed Agricultural Building to the West of Clee Hill Road, Burford, Shrops Proposal: Erection of a steel portal frame agricultural building Applicant: Mrs William Beaumont, East End Cottage, Nash, Ludlow, Shrops. SY8 3DE Planning Enforcement Cases for 17/04/2026 relating to parish of: Nash Date Received: 17/04/2026 Ref: 26/11015/ENF Status: Pending Consideration Address: Fircroft, Clee Hill Road, Burford, Tenbury Wells, Shrops. WR15 8HL Description of Issue: Alleged breach of planning control concerning use of outbuilding for residential accommodation without Planning Permission Case Officer: Mick Laidlaw	

	Planning Ref: 26/01425/FUL Development Proposed: Demolition of an existing fire damaged bungalow & the erection of a replacement single storey dwelling Location: Hilldene, The Knowle, Clee Hill, Ludlow, Shrops.	
	Meeting closed: 7.30pm	
	Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 14th July 2026 at 7pm	