

## KIRKBAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of Kirkbampton Parish Council held on Monday 5th January 2026 at 7.30p.m.

**Present:** C Christie (CCh), C Clark (CCI), M Cunliffe (MC), and TH Rudd (HR).

**In Attendance:** Clerk / RFO, A Dawes (AD), M Johnson (MJ), + 2 (two) Members of the public

**045/01/26      Apologies for Absence:** S Edgar (SE),

**046/01/26      Requests for Dispensations & Declarations of Interest**

No requests for dispensations were received and no declarations of interest were made.

**047/01/26      Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 3rd November 2026**

**Resolved** to authorise the Chairman to sign, as a true and accurate record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.

**048/01/26      Public Participation**

One member of the public present asked if we could help with the situation regarding "Watchtree" traffic using the minor road via Flat. The MOP provided a map which indicates that a more sensible route would be from Kirkbampton via Thurstonfield. [Map attached to these minutes]

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** that AD would forward the request to MJ regarding the possibility of "signage" being provided at points A and B marked on the Map as well as looking at potential for sign reducing traffic flowing through Flat from Thurstonfield.

Also **RESOLVED** that AD would contact Watchtree to see if anything could be amended regarding travel instructions on their Website to suggest **NOT FOLLOWING SATNAV** (as this takes the route through Flat).

Another MOP in attendance was seeking Council assistance regarding the "speeding" traffic along the Thurstonfield – Kirkbride road through Kirkbampton.

MJ suggested that the most important aspect of all these incidents is that the Data is recorded and suggested asking the PCSO to get a "snapshot" of potential speeding. This was agreed by Council although not unanimous. Council suggested that AD contact the Clerks at Brough-by-Sands and Kirkbride with a view to working together on this issue.

Both MoP's left the meeting having thanked the Council.

**049/01/26** As well as the advice given above MJ reported that due to the Christmas and New Year period a general lull in meetings and procedures had been felt, as was the norm but we would now see a return to the normal levels of activity particularly around the Budget discussions and Council Tax setting although this was felt to be certainly set at 2.99% with an additional 2% for Adult Social Care.

CCI asked why no further update on the speed warning sign outside the school. MJ asked if the issue could be submitted yet again and he would then take it up.

MJ then left the meeting having been give thanks by the Council.

**050/01/26      Review of Policies and Procedures**

Clerk provided an index of policies required and will produce a proposed Annual Timetable for the next meeting.

**051/01/26**      **Highways matters** – see note above from MJ

**052/01/26**      **Finance Matters**

**RESOLVED** to receive the reconciliation of the balance at the bank.  
AD provided the regular Finance Reports.

**RESOLVED** to ratify payment of invoices/authorise payment as per schedule presented at the meeting.

**RESOLVED** receive an updated Budget V Actual Report together with Forecasted out-turn.

MC left the meeting at 8.30 CCI took over the Chair

**053/01/26**      **Correspondence update**

AD reported that no progress had yet been made about procuring a replacement Web Site and the purchase of relevant e-mail addresses for all council members.

AD indicated that he would need updated Bank details for the previously agreed Donations. CCI would follow this up.

**054/01/26**      **Date of Next Meeting**

Resolved that the next meeting(s) of the Parish Council will be held in Kirkbampton Village Hall on Monday 2nd March 2026 at 7.30pm.

**There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.00pm.**