

Southorpe Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of Southorpe Parish Council on Wednesday 6th May 2026 at 7.00pm at Wansford Community Hall, Peterborough Road, Wansford

Present: Cllr Peter Corder (PC), Cllr Corinna Blackmore (CB), Cllr Gareth Brown (GB) Archie Dennis (AD)

Clerk: Alison Hurford

One member of the public

MINUTES

26/30 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence received by the Clerk from Cllrs Clare Peacock and Kevin Tighe

26/31 Declaration of Interest

To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the Agenda

GB declared an interest in item 26/35.1 and .2 although this item is for information only.

26/32 Public Participation

The member of public present did not wish to speak.

26/33 Minutes of the last meeting (previously circulated)

The minutes of the last ordinary council meeting held on 5th March 2026 were agreed as a true record and signed by PC.

26/34 Matters Arising from Minutes dated 5th March 2026

34.1 Website Accessibility - Clerk reported that she had had two other quotes to add to the Hugo Fox quote. Further discussion was needed with CP and then a decision would be made. Hugo Fox can keep the emails as they are with Cloudnext and just update the website. Clerk to report via email the result of the discussion.

26/35 Planning – to receive details of planning applications and note or resolve council responses

35.1 6/002041/DISCHG For Discharge of conditions C4 (CEcMP), C5 (tree protection plan), C6 (demolition management plan), C7 (biodiversity enhancement strategy) and C8 (hard landscaping scheme) to planning permission 25/01150/FUL at Lindra, Main Street, Southorpe – for information

35.2 26/002042/NONMAT For Non material amendment (substitution or approved roof covering) to planning permission 25/01150/FUL at Lindra, Main Street, Southorpe – for information

35.3 26/001988/CTR for The Old Woodyard, Main Street, Southorpe, Stamford, PE9 3BX. Removal of Cherry Tree – Permission received

26/36 Ward Update

36.1 Ward Meeting

No ward meeting since the last meeting.

36.2 Police Briefing 28th April 2026

PC attended where two local community police spoke. One of the main issues was speeding. Once again, they encouraged everyone to report anything to 101 that looked a bit odd. Nothing is too small.

26/37 Finance

37.1 To receive and discuss finance report with bank reconciliation

This was previously checked and agreed by CP and email sent to Councillors.

Savings Account	£1501.05
Current Account	<u>£1249.44</u>
Total	£2750.49

37.2 To receive Internal Auditor report and note contents and any actions, herewith. Clerk noted the recommendations that several additional policies relating to GDPR need to be put in place and will do this for the July meeting. It was suggested that the council apply for a debit card for any future purchases, Clerk to look into this.

37.3 To receive, note and approve AGAR Accounting Statements, section 2, herewith and previously circulated

37.4 To receive AGAR Certificate of Exemption, herewith and resolve to approve and sign – this was signed by the Clerk and Chairman and will be submitted by the Clerk.

37.5 To arrange signing of the Section 1- signed by the Clerk and Chairman

37.6 To arrange signing of the Section 2 and Certificate of Exemption after dates set for public inspection of accounts. The date of 3rd June to 14th July have been set and notice will be put on the noticeboard and on website. Clerk to put all AGAR forms on the website.

37.7 Update on Clerk's wages and agree to reduce standing order once wage is known.

Clerk will now do 10 hours a month and SO will be reduced accordingly.

37.6 CIL Payment from Planning 22/01327/FUL

A Community Infrastructure Levy has been received to the value of £5782.66.

Further discussion will be had as to how to spend this to benefit the community.

26/38 Payments – to authorisation of the following payments were agreed:

Clerk's wages for May	£145.90
Clerk's back pay for April Wages £175.08 - Standing Order paid £168.68 hence difference of £6.40	£ 6.40
Clerk's mileage for May meeting 18 miles @ .45p per mile	£ 6.30
CAPLC Membership	£ 159.05
ICO Renewal	(£52/£47 for DD)
Auditor fee	£125.00

26/39 Environmental

39.1 To discuss Multi Agency Meeting – the recent meeting has been cancelled but the next meeting is in July. During a particular downpour there was some problems at the Meadows but this has now been sorted. CB to follow up.

39.2 Free Trees and Shrubs from Woodland Trust – application was successful and hedging will be arriving in November.

26/40 Traffic

40.1 To discuss National Highways Social Value Meeting

A meeting is going ahead with Tarmac and National Highways who are looking for social value opportunities within the local area. GB and PC to meet with them to see what is on offer and report back at the next meeting.

UPDATE: PC and GB attended the meeting and Tarmac want a wish list. It was decided to ask for a new noticeboard, village gates and for them to tarmac the

footpath at Southorpe Terrace. A decision will then be made by Tarmac. All permissions from PCC will need to be obtained if the bid is successful.

40.2 To discuss Local Traffic Improvement Funding Scheme

There is potential to apply for funding under this scheme. The applications open in November. If successful, SPC will need to provide a minimum of 10% towards the cost of any scheme they provide. Keep as an Agenda item

26/41 Community Matters

41.1 Village Working Group – CB to get in touch with PCC to clear the footpath to Ufford Southorpe Terrace. September 12th or September 26th were suggested as dates for a working party to tidy up the village.

41.2 Village Tribune submission – Clerk to submit regularly

26/42 Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is on 22nd July 2026 at Barnack Village Hall at 7.00 pm.