

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 11th June 2026 at 7.30pm

Ju 26 1 **To consider any apologies for absence**

Mr Bust, Mr Bevans

Cllr Harris

The PC accepted all apologies

Present

Chair Mrs Denyer, Mr Wright, Mr Paris, Mrs Blackburn, Mr Subramanian. Clerk Mr Rickett
RFO Mrs Rickett

Ju 26 2 **Declarations of Councillors Interests and Dispensations**

There were none

Ju 26 3 **To approve minutes of the previous meeting held on May 14th and to receive updates from the previous meeting**

The minutes were signed after 2 amendments May 26 6 – at the Annual Parish Meeting and May 26 10 – deferred to next meeting

Amendments to some of the duties- add Village Hall bookings Mr Wright

HR Committee selections – after discussion, agreed Mr Wright Chair, Mr Subramanian and Mrs Blackburn

Terms of Reference to be updated at the next meeting

Amend other duties to – Councillor roles and responsibilities

Ju 26 4 **To adjourn to allow public participation**

Mrs Paris informed the PC that she is taking over the Watts App group

A complaint had been made to a cllr, concerning cows in a field with a footpath in, they said they had been chased – the field is on Radley Road, behind the houses – clerk to inform Footpaths Officer and speak to the owners

It was asked will the PC be running a Harvest Supper this year – next agenda

The PC will elect a Cllr to liaise with the Events Team, about events through the year – next agenda

Ju 26 5 **To receive updates form County and District Councillors**

No Cllrs present, Cllrs Harris and Roberts report circulated

Ju 26 6 **Finance**

Agreed to pay

Cleaners	72.00
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Plants for pots and planters	72.47
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East Midland in Bloom flyers	39.00
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Village hall panelling	2619.08
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PAT testing Village Hall	108.00
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Deposit for painters	780.00
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Internal auditor	73.00
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Annual Internal Auditor report – the clerk informed the PC that the IA was happy with everything, things are being done as they should, particularly 2 Cllrs initialling invoices at time of payment

- a. Sect 1 – Annual Governance Statement 25/26 – signed off by PC
- b. Sect 2 Accounting Statement 25/26 – signed off by PC

Ju 26 7

Village Hall

Maintenance schedule – new one needed – next agenda

Painting of the Village Hall – painter will start Tuesday 30th June, clerk and Mr Wright, who will be taking over supervision, to meet with the painter, pictures to be removed in the main hall before he starts and chairs moved into the middle

The painter is happy for Zumba to come in, in an evening to use the hall

Clerk to check with the cleaner, when she will be in during July, ask her to change dates if necessary

Shutters for kitchen hatch – the clerk informed the PC that he was having problems, trying to sort the measurements. The firm could send someone for £300 to do their own measurements

Pc agreed not to go with this, but for the clerk to speak to them and try to sort it

Panelling for the main hall-this has been completed

Update Village Hall letting policy – leave till next agenda

Gutter leak at rear -clerk to sort out

Jun 26 8

Allotments

Updated contracts sent and some payments received

Jun 26 9

Roads and hedges

Fingerpost on The Turnpike – the clerk has sent more information to VIA

Stiles at the rear of Machins – some photos of the stiles had been taken, these were circulated, agreed the clerk should contact the footpaths officer and speak to the landowner

Jun 26 10

Running of the Parish Council website

As the clerk has resigned, agreed to leave with Mrs Blackburn until a new clerk is appointed

Ju 26 11

East Midlands in Bloom

Update – 6 gardens have been submitted, agreed that the Cllrs would go and view the gardens on Saturday, Mrs Denyer to supply the addresses and inform the owners that the Cllrs will be coming. Mr Subramanian declared an interest in one, as it his garden, that his wife has submitted

The clerk will try to get the road sweeper to come and the roads.

Agreed to put in the Village News, asking if people would clear the weeds from in front their properties

Thwaites have agreed to pay for plants to be put in the window boxes, outside the Wagon, this will be paid direct to the PC bank

Ju 26 12

Correspondence

Clerk's resignation- the clerk has put his resignation in and will finish July 4th Mrs Rickett as RFO will also be finishing

The Chair thanked them on behalf of the PC for their work, the Clerk since 1984 and the RFO in a voluntary position since 1999

A new Clerk/RFO will be advertised for

- Ju 26 13** **Lengthsman Scheme**
Grant applied for -clerk signed contact has been sent off
Work to be done – agreed that while the Cllrs are looking at the gardens for EMIB, they will see what work needs doing and report back to the next meeting
- Ju 26 14** **Biodiversity**
Nothing to discuss
- Ju 26 15** **planning**
None
- Planning decisions**
None
- Ju 26 16** **To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) because publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and resolve to exclude public and press for these items**
None
- Ju 26 17** **Items for the next agenda**
ToR update
Harvest supper
Appoint cllr to liaise with the Events Team
EMIB – nominated garden
- Ju 26 18** **date and time of next meeting**
Thursday 9th July 2026 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9pm