

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 2nd April 2026 held in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:35pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Whittaker-Smith Cllr Allan

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence

None received

2. To receive declarations of interest

None

26/27 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith Sec: Cllr Allan decision was unanimous

26/28 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- Clerk can confirm litter bins in public areas not owned by Parish Council are N&SDC responsibility.
- Clerk told Council that the shredder had now been purchased and the safe was due to be fitted in the next few weeks

26/29 To suspend standing orders for public participation

County Councillor David Smith gave an update on various County Council Projects. Cllr Smith thanked the County Councillor for his updates and standing orders were resumed for the meeting to carry on

26/30 To Discuss the current Grounds Maintenance for the new financial year

Clerk reported that due to points not being clarified satisfactory on the last round of tenders, a secondary round of tendering was in process and they were waiting to receive documents from potential contractors. This would be considered at a later meeting, potentially a extra meeting being called just to discuss this matter due to it being time critical.

26/31 Planning: To discuss any received planning applications

- Planning application 26/00279/HYBM, Hybrid application for Full planning application for the change of use of land to a traveller site including ancillary hard standing, for 16 family pitches and outline application for a managers bungalow
Following a discussion it was decided that an objection to this planning application be sent. Comments should include: over-intensification of the site; not in keeping with area; concerns about safety and the road access for the types and quantities of vehicles involved; the extra strain it would place on utilities, particularly drainage, which are already known to be at or beyond capacity for the village; potentially contaminated land; true impact on wildlife.
- Although not an official planning application a private company was conducting a consultation on a potential plan for land on New Hill. The Parish Council will comment on this when/if a planning application is received.

26/32 Payments for approval

All payments were approved

Prop: Cllr Allan Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith decision was unanimous

26/33 To receive items for information and future meetings

- Clerk informed Councillors that N&SDC had been out and conducted an unannounced food hygiene inspection during Stay & Play. The 5 Star rating has been retained. Councillors would like to thank the employees that have helped to retain this level.

26/34 Time and date of next meeting

The APCM will be held on Thursday 14th May 2026 at 6:15pm with the Parish Council meeting following at approx. 6:30pm

Meeting closed at 7:56 pm