

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 12th March 2026 at 7.30pm

Mar 26 1 **To consider any apologies for absence**
Mr Bevans, Mr Wright, Mr Subramanian
Cllr Rainbow
All accepted

Present

Chair Mrs Blackburn. Mrs Denyer, Mr Paris, Mr Bust, Clerk Mr Rickett, RFO Mrs Rickett

Mar 26 2 **Declarations of Councillors interests and dispensations**
None declared

Mar 26 3 **to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12th February and to receive updates from the previous meeting**

The minutes were signed as a true and correct record after - Feb 26 3 was altered to – delete minutes and add financial statement for CIL. Also Feb 26 7 – Phone box Mr Paris, Benches Mrs Blackburn and Bus shelter Mrs Denyer

1. Update on the payment of the marquee

The clerk informed the PC that the marquees had been added to the list of CIL payments by mistake. Agreed to leave things as they are, as we have Sect 137 money to spend

Mar 26 4 **To adjourn to allow public participation**
No members of the public present

Mar 26 5 **To receive updates from District and County Councillors**
None present

Mar 26 6 **Finance**

Agreed to pay	
Clerks wages	2227.68
Cleaners	72.00
PAT test Village Hall	invoice not yet received
Paper and sundries for the Village Hall	58.45
Paint samples for the Village Hall	40.73
Donation for life and defibrillator training	no payment details yet
Weed clearing on Radley Road	160.00

Mar 26 7 **Village Hall**

Maintenance schedule – up to date with jobs

Phone box has been cleaned and tidied, but Benches and Bus shelter still to be done.

Legionella testing -clerk informed the PC that the test was clear, agreed to put on risk Assessment, retesting periods to be discussed

Painting Mrs Denyer showed the PC the colours she had selected – agreed unanimously to do the new panelling in the Hall and the panelling in the passage “Rosemary leaf” and all the other walls throughout “Green Clay”. All woodwork to be in white. Clerk to inform the painters of the chosen colours

Shutters

Awaiting a second price

Mar 26 8 Allotments

The Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk have sent off the relevant ID to the solicitor

Agreed to authorise Mr Paris to sign any paperwork needed – proposed Mr Bust, seconded Mrs Denyer

Mar 26 9 Roads and Hedges

Fingerpost replacement on The Turnpike – the clerk has received the paperwork from NSDC to apply for permission to replace existing. Cllr Laughton has been contacted for County Council approval. We also need an instalment price

Footpath no 7 - Mr Bust confirmed again that nothing can be done till after harvest. The owner of the adjacent field has not yet been contacted. Clerk to contact NSDC again

Double yellow lines School Lane – clerk has contacted highways, but this needs to be asked for by Cllr Jackson, has been contacted

mar 26 10 Discuss East Midland in Bloom

clerk to send off the application by 31st March, proposed by Mr Paris, seconded Mrs Denyer for the £25 entry fee to be paid

Mar 26 11 Correspondence

RCAN Network Event for Community Hall representatives – Mrs Denyer will try to attend
Cleaner Burning Presentation: Reducing emissions from wood burning – no action

Mar 26 12 Lengthsman Scheme

The claim forms need to be sent by 31st March

Mar 26 13 Biodiversity

Mrs Denyer circulated a draft copy of the Biodiversity Action Plan

An action plan was talked about, to include the Church and the allotments

Possibility of No Mow May

There is an area of SSI at the top of Grey Lane

Agreed to adopt as a working policy, proposed Mr Paris, seconded Mrs Denyer 3 for 1 against

Agreed to include a “Green Tip of the Month” in the Village News

Mar 26 14 planning

None

Planning decisions

Land on Radley Road – PIP approved NSDC

Mar 26 15 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.

Mar 26 16 Items for the next agenda

Mar 26 17

date and time of next meeting

Thursday 8th April 2026 7.30pm

Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 21st April 2026 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9.09pm