

MINUTES OF WILSFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2025 AT 7.00PM IN THE SMALL ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present Cllr Sirs (Chair) Cllr Harrison(Vice-Chair)
Cllrs Blankley, Corner, Brickles and Reseigh

In attendance District Cllr Hagues (8.00pm) and Denise Gascoyne
Parish Clerk.

Public Forum No members of the public present

The meeting began at 7.00pm

1.Chair’s Welcome

The Chair Cllr Sirs welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.Apologies for Absence

a. Apologies for absence with valid reasons had been received from Cllr Miller. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to accept apologies for absence with valid reasons from Cllr Miller.

3.Declarations of Interest

4.To approve as a true record the notes of the meeting held on 14 October 2025. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved that the notes of the meeting held on 14 October 2025 be accepted as a true record. These were signed by the Chair.

5.Reports from County Cllr Whitaker/District Cllr Hagues.

a. Cllr Hagues told the meeting that although the Internal Drainage Board appeared to be keeping drains clear, unfortunately the Environment Agency were not, due to manpower and funding, therefore it was possible flooding could occur again.

6.Reports from Outside Bodies.

a. Allotments – Cllr Brickles reported these were tidy and there was water in the beck.

b. Biodiversity – the bulbs had all now been received and these would be planted by Cllr Miller and her team.

The walkway had now been completed and no longer a trip hazard.

c. Cemetery – nothing to report.

d. CLT – nothing to report.

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e. Playing Field

The hedge from School House to Playing Field was discussed and some had been trimmed back. As Cllr Miller was proposing a willow fence along this area, I was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to defer this to the January 2026 meeting.

A request had been received asking permission for palaeontological and paleo-geological fieldwork on the playing field. In principle there were no objections. However, it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved that the applicant should contact Cllr Corner to discuss location etc.

f. St Mary's Church – see Item 12(b)

g. Village Hall – Cllr Blankley reported that the CLT had agreed to fund new crockery for the village hall. The next breakfast was scheduled for 23rd of November and the monthly bingo was going well. The bench would be fixed in the next few weeks. Decorating maintenance to the main hall was being investigated. A New Years Eve event may be scheduled depending on the response from parishioners.

h. Handyman. The handyman had produced his monthly report. This was seen by all Cllrs. It was noted that all work scheduled had been completed.

7.Chair Update

a. Cllr Sirs said there had been no update on outstanding highways issues. The original email was dated 31 January 2025. Also to remind him that the double yellow lines had still not been put outside The Plough. Therefore, it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved: to email direct the Highways Manager, copied to County Cllr Whitaker and District Cllr Hagues.

b. Cllrs were concerned about the lack of communication after the recent large fire at Mid UK Ltd. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved that Cllr Hagues would try to obtain a copy of the Fire Report.

c. It was noted that the planning application by Mid UK in May 2025 to increase the tonnage from 260,000 to 350,000 tonnes per annum, had still not been decided. A number of issues needed to be addressed before planning would be allowed.

d. The defibrillator had now been moved to its new home at Town End near the bus stop and bend. The Chair thanked Cllr Corner for persevering with this project. Cllr Corner asked if we would write to Will Spicer and thank him for the defibrillator plate.

e. An email had been received from Rauceby Parish Council to establish a line of communication with their Community Emergency Response Team so they could draft out their Community Emergency Plan. The Clerk agreed to reply.

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8.Parish Clerk Update

a. The Clerk confirmed that ICO Data Protection has been renewed and expires on 02.11.26. FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

9.Correspondence

- a. LALC e-news. Circulated to all Cllrs.
- b. NKDC October newsletter. Circulated to all Cllrs.
- c. LCC Town and Parish Newsletter October. Circulated to all Cllrs.
- d. LCC Permit Consultation ends 10.12.25. Circulated to all Cllrs
- e. Edge IT October newsletter. Circulated to all Cllrs.

10.Planning – None this month.

11.Finance

a. The Bank Reconciliations and Cashbook to 31 October 2025 had been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to accept the Bank Reconciliations and Cashbook to 31 October 2025.

b. The Approval List for Staff BACS Payments had been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to accept the Approval List for Staff BACS Payments amounting to £598.05 and authorise the Clerk to make the payments.

c. The Approval List for other BACS Payments had been circulated to all Cllrs. It was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to accept the Approval List for other BACS Payments and authorise the Clerk to make the following payments.

CB Ground Maintenance	Grass Cutting	£790.00
Mr Colin Ward	News and Views Printing	£122.00
Royal British Legion	Poppy wreath	£20.00
Boston Seeds	Bulbs	£480.00
Andys Tidy Gardens	Maintenance Playing Field	£180.00
Wilsford Village Hall	Hire charges	£16.00
Fields In Trust	Playing field Inspection	£127.80

c. The Clerk confirmed that £918.28 had been received from LCC for the grass cutting grant.

12.Reports from Cllrs.

a. Cllr Sirs said the Fireworks evening had been a success, with similar attendance to last year. Although monies not all in, it was believed around £800 had been raised on the evening. Cllr Sirs said they would be planning another event next year.

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b. Cllr Reseigh told the meeting that it was proposed that St Mary’s Churchyard take the grass cutting back in house. They asked if we could grant them the amount we pay our current contractor for this part of the contractor. After a brief discussion, it was proposed, seconded and

Resolved to write to our contractor and ask what difference deleting this from the contract would amount to. Cllrs would decide at the Precept meeting in December.

13.Training

a. LALC Training Bulletin November had been circulated to all Cllrs. If Cllrs wished to attend any training please contact the Clerk.

14.Date of Next Meeting.

a. It was confirmed the Closed Meeting to set the Precept would take place on 16 December 2025 at 7.00pm.

15.To resolve to exclude the media, press and members of the public from the meeting in accordance with S.1(2) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of business to be transacted regarding staffing matters.

- Cllrs Blankley and Corner agreed to be on the Interview Panel for a new Clerk with Cllr Sirs in attendance.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm

Chair
Wilsford Parish Council

16 December 2025.