

# Minutes of the Ashby cum Fenby Parish Council Meeting held at Ashby cum Fenby Church Hall on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026 at 7.00PM

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**Present:** Cllrs: John Shaw (Chairman), Barker, Hollingworth, Hornby, C Shaw, and Thomson.

**In attendance:** The Parish Clerk, Ward Cllr Jackson and three members of the public.

## **01:03/26 Declarations of Interest**

- a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.  
None
- b) To note dispensations given to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below.  
None

## **02:03/26 Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies from Members not able to attend the meeting.

None

## **03:03/26 Open Forum**

### **STANDING ORDER NO. 3**

- e Members of the public may make representations, answer questions, and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda.
- f The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting in accordance with standing order 3(e) shall not exceed ( 15 ) minutes unless directed by the chair of the meeting.
- g Subject to standing order 3(f), a member of the public shall not speak for more than ( 5 ) minutes.
- h In accordance with standing order 3(e), a question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chair of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.
- i A person shall raise his/her/their hand when requesting to speak and stand when speaking (except when a person has a disability or is likely to suffer discomfort). The chair of the meeting may at any time permit a person to be seated when speaking.
- j A person who speaks at a meeting shall direct his/her/their comments to the chair of the meeting.
- k Only one person is permitted to speak at a time. If more than one person wants to speak, the chair of the meeting shall direct the order of speaking.

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A member of the public provided an update regarding a drainage issue.  
 A member of the public addressed the Parish Council regarding faded markings on the carriageway, unclean signs and the February meeting minutes.

**04:03/26 Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s)**

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved as a true record.**

**05:03/26 Police Report**

To receive the latest police report.

A police report had not been received.

**06:03/26 Finance & Governance**

a) To approve payment of accounts.

**RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved: -**

| Account | Supplier          | Description       | Net    | VAT   | Gross  |
|---------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|--------|
| Current | T Kuzemczak       | Wages Month 11    | £XXX   |       | £XXX   |
| Current | T Kuzemczak       | Expenses Month 11 | £4.68  |       | £4.68  |
| Current | Southern Electric | Electricity Bill  | £11.27 | £2.25 | £13.52 |

b) To appoint an internal auditor for year end 2025-26.

**RESOLVED: That Anthony Shaw be appointed as the internal auditor**

c) To adopt the draft IT Policy.

**RESOLVED: That the IT Policy be approved.**

**07:03/26 Planning**

a) To note the following planning decisions received from NELC: -

None received.

b) To consider any comment on the following planning application(s): -

None received.

**08:03/26 Highways**

a) To receive any response to the report to NELC regarding the missing no fly-tipping sign on the A18

This matter had been reported but no update had been received.

b) To receive any response to the report to NELC regarding the grass verges on Thoroughfare.

This matter had been reported but no update had been received.

c) To receive any updates on the additional fly-tipping signs on Thoroughfare and duck crossing sign.

A response had been received to advise that both works will be undertaken in the near future. NELC had queried whether landowners adjacent to the verges would have sufficient

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room to pass by with farm vehicles. The Parish Council does not have the local landowners' details and is therefore unable to comment.

**RESOLVED: That the Clerk shall respond to NELC to advise of the above.**

#### **09:03/26 Village Assets**

To receive an update on the new noticeboard.

The Parish Council, having received NELC Ward Cllr funding for a new noticeboard, had received two quotations for a bespoke board.

**RESOLVED: That a noticeboard be purchased from Greenbarnes at a cost of £2507.05 inclusive of VAT.**

#### **10:03/26 Village Newsletter**

To receive any updates.

Cllr Shaw advised that she had attracted some new advertisers, which will increase the profits made on each edition.

#### **11:03/26 Future Dates**

- a) Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 7PM – Ashby cum Fenby Church Hall.

**RESOLVED: That the date be noted.**

- b) Matters for discussion and inclusion on the next meeting agenda.

Exclusion of Press and Public: To consider passing a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that public and press be excluded from the meeting for the matters set out below on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of private and confidential information.

**RESOLVED: That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the matters set out below on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of private and confidential information.**

#### **12:03/26 Staffing Matters**

To receive an update on working from home tax relief and agree any action.

**RESOLVED: That a working from home allowance of £7.50 per month be paid to the Clerk.**

*The meeting closed at 7.42PM*

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