

Minutes of a Meeting of FULBOURN PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday, 15th April 2026
in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn.

Present: Councillor Smith (DS, Chair), and Councillors Andrews (TA), Bramwell (AB), Beckett (AB), Drage (MD) Gaskell (JG, Vicechair), Johnson (KJ), Lacey (RL), Saunders (LS), and Ward (GW);

Clerk: Mrs E Sullivan

Members: 13 (2 vacancies) Quorum 5

Members of the Public: 2

In attendance: County Councillor Morgan (MM); District Councillors Cone (GC) and Williams (JW); Administrator Alison Mclellan (AM)

Meeting opened at 19:30

113 To accept apologies for absence.

Councillors Brown, Howell, Lockwood and District Councillor Cone

114 To notify the clerk of any declarations of interest that will be declared by members for any item to be discussed.

Cllr Saunders has an interest in tree works.

Public & Press - You are invited to attend the whole meeting and are welcome to speak at our Open Forum at the beginning of the meeting.

115 To receive reports from County and District Councillors.

115.1 County Councillor Matthew Morgan

Report attached at end of document. Upcoming surface dressing works on Teversham Road (excluding worst section). Ongoing discussions regarding responsibility for works on Aphorpe Street; Cllr Morgan to follow up with GCP. Road closure at Cherry Hinton Road/Teversham Road noted. Nature Recovery Plan currently in pilot stage, with wider rollout anticipated next year.

115.2 District Councillor Williams

No written report given. Cllr Williams mentioned East West consultation period. Noted the forthcoming government announcement on a new unitary authority, with shadow authority elections expected next May. Continuation of the Greater Cambridge Development Company noted, with potential to determine larger planning applications (250+ homes). Current and emerging Local Plans expected to be honoured, with future plans to follow. Government housing targets discussed. Neighbourhood plans likely to not hold much weight; Village Design Guide remains a statutory document.

115.3 District Councillor Cone

Report attached at end of document. No further comments.

116 To approve the minutes of the March 2026 meeting.

117 Matters arising from the last meeting.

Farehurst Park & The Orchards: Boundary with Coxes Drove in dispute (emergency access). Orchard park community building design change to two-storey queried. Could a nursery provision (0–4 yrs) be more viable for the village. Further meeting to be arranged.

SID: Not working; handover required and working committee to be established.

S106 (Swifts): Noted.

<p>LHI Funding: Discussions ongoing re safe crossing on Teversham Road; Cllr Morgan to chase up.</p> <p>Driveway: Specification received; to go out to tender. Cllr Beckett to assist.</p> <p>Skate Park: RoSPA report confirms not usable; usage monitoring discussed.</p> <p>Cemetery Driveway: Water pipe replacement (£2,595 + VAT) approved (proposed Cllr Ward, seconded Cllr Drage).</p> <p>High Street/Pierce Lane: No update.</p> <p>IT Officer: Cllr Andrews confirmed as IT officer.</p> <p>Bus Stop Seating (Pharmacy): Space too narrow on path; alternative bench location to be explored under balcony (Cllr Gaskell to liaise with owners).</p> <p>Pavilion Accessibility: Clerk to confirm current portable ramp situation and review toilet access options.</p> <p>Village Walk: 17 June, 7pm, meeting at the Hub.</p> <p>118 Tree works:</p> <p>118.1 Poor Well The clerk gave an update on the delayed works. Awaiting a new date.</p> <p>118.2 Covid Commemoration Tree: Clerk to ask groundsman Dave to plant the tree. Once tree is planted councillors can go down before a meeting to take a photo.</p> <p>118.3 Tree works applications:</p> <p>Proposal: Dead Birch at front - Fell</p> <p>Site address: 5 Apthorpe Street Fulbourn Cambridgeshire</p> <p>Reference: 26/0252/TTPO</p> <p>Disclaimer: Fulbourn Parish Council Tree Officer and the Parish Council accept no liability for the advice given above.</p> <p>119 Correspondence</p> <p>Parishioner, email – enquiring about having recycling bins to accompany the landfill bins. <i>Cllr Williams confirmed the public litter bins are sorted and recycled where appropriate.</i></p> <p>Parishioners, emails – fly tipping reports.</p> <p>Fulbourn Forum, email - enquiring what Cambridge Water are doing in the woodland adjacent to the railway, off Fulbourn Old Drift. <i>Cllr Smith will take a look and report back.</i></p> <p>Parishioner, email – asking the Clerk to attend Balsham Road to look at the mess that the pot hole contractors have left</p> <p>Scribe, email – invitation for a trial and rates for different packages</p> <p>East West Rail – Constulation is now open and will run until 9th June. Public consultation at Townley Hall, 25th April from 10:30-2:30. <i>Cllrs Andrews, Drage and Saunders (at least) will attend. Any questions to be sent to the Clerk</i></p> <p>Parishioner, email – Overgrown bushes on Pierce Lane from Town Close to Home End which are blocking the narrow path.</p> <p>Morris Homes, email – shared information on the community building and have asked for Parish Council’s aspirations for the building</p> <p>Teversham Parish Council, email – a list of questions and answers regarding the Cherry Hinton Road closure.</p> <p>SCDC, email - Community Safety Partnership Conference to raise your concerns and hear talks from a range of community safety partners on services on offer, support and how to keep you and your community safe. Thursday 14th May, 6pm-8pm, South Cambs Hall, Cambourne.</p> <p>Highways, email – Cambridge Road, Fulbourn. Road closure 21/04/2026 - 27/04/2026.</p> <p>Highway repair and maintenance works, CCC. CL90667773258</p> <p>Teversham Road, Fulbourn. Road closure 23/04/2026 - 27/04/2026</p> <p>Highway repair and maintenance works, CCC. CL90632004948</p> <p>120 To resolve the accounts for the month.</p> <p>Pavilion Gas..... 202.14 Pavilion Elec.....714.02</p>	<p>1576 MM</p> <p>JG Clerk</p> <p>DS</p>
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Hub Gas..... 6.11	Hub Elec.....168.53	1577
T H Tree Surgery.....1656.00	Man up.....125.00	
John F Stalley.....8,810.00	Insurance.....1450.83	
PACE: survey.....58.00	Red Act: annual web support.....276.00	
Tesco: Mobile.....26.99	Cleaner Windows: Swifts.....30.00	
Clerk: Wages.....1301.64	Admin Assist: Wages.....676.00	
Cleaner: Wages.....433.00	DR Raven Garden: hours..... 845.00	
<p>Cllr Johnson proposed passing the accounts, proposal seconded by Cllr Andrews agreed by the Council.</p> <p>121 Council Committees and Remote Meetings</p> <p>121.1 Fulbourn Liaison Meeting, 17th March 2026</p> <p>121.2 Recreation Ground Working Party, 24th March 2026.</p> <p>Mole issue noted. Bluebirds to be chased regarding equipment storage in referee room. Water charging and spraying arrangements discussed. Golf use addressed by Cllr Ward. “No Dogs” signage required. Richard and Mike to take readings; Ian to manage cricket water.</p> <p>122 To receive items for inclusion on the next Agenda for decision and/or action.</p> <p>There was no further business and the meeting closed at 21:20.</p> <p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 13th May 2026 in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Issued by the Parish Clerk: Emily Sullivan 21 April 2026</p>		

Signed:

Date:

Attached reports: