

Minutes of a Meeting of FULBOURN PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday, 8th July 2026
in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn.

Present: Councillor Smith (DS, Chair), and Councillors Anderson (JA), Andrews (TA), Beckett (AB), Bramwell (AB), Colyer (JC), Drage (MD), Howell (KH, Vice chair), Johnson (KJ), Lockwood (TL), Saunders (LS), and Ward (GW);

Clerk: Mrs E Sullivan

Members: 14 (1 vacancy) Quorum 5

Members of the Public: 5

In attendance: County Councillor Morgan (MM); Administrator Alison Mclellan (AM)

Meeting opened at 19:30

35 To accept apologies for absence.

Councillor Barach, Lacey

36 Parish Council Vacancy/Vacancies - Co-option for resolution

Dawne Brown introduced herself and spoke about wanting to rejoin the Parish Council. Cllr Lockwood Proposed with Cllr Johnson seconded. A vote was taken. Cllr Smith welcomed her back and invited her to take her seat on council. Cllr Brown signed her Declaration.

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

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.

Ron Ward gave an update on the Recreation Land project. No significant demand for additional recreation space had been identified from local clubs, schools or parishioners, although allotments continue to have a waiting list.

Options involving Longfellow and Hills were discussed. It was agreed to check previous planning applications for any public access provision, and Cllr Smith will contact Longfellow.

38 To receive reports from County and District Councillors.

38.1 County Councillor Matthew Morgan

No report received. Cllr Morgan verbally reported.

Cllr Morgan gave a verbal update. A Greenways Phase 1 meeting will be arranged shortly. He also updated members on the proposed Development Corporation and its potential planning powers.

The Shelford Road pothole and works to Cambridge and Teversham Roads will be followed up. The repairs to Bird Farm Road were confirmed as a semi-permanent measure pending further works.

Cllr Morgan also reported that new highways contracts require photographic evidence of completed works and allow penalties for poor workmanship.

38.2 District Councillors.

The report was received. No councillors in attendance.

39 To approve the minutes of the March 2026 meeting.

Cllr Lockwood proposed passing the minutes, proposal seconded by Cllr Andrews agreed by the Council.

40 Buses

Members discussed the proposed changes to local bus services. Concerns were raised regarding the reliability of the Citi 1, reduced T4 services, connections to Bottisham and Teversham, and the loss of the Ida Darwin connection.

Members also questioned the proposed Trumpington Park & Ride connection and suggested a connection to Cambridge South Station. It was agreed that these points would be included in the Council's consultation response.

41 Matters arising from the last meeting.

Farehurst Park and The Orchards: Meeting with developers will take place on Tuesday 14th July. Cllr Saunders sent a list of issues from both sites, to be brought up at the meeting next week. The land between Fairhurst and Coxes Drove needs discussing. Highways is unsure where the road ends and where it turns private. Need to ask if they will they be tarmacking, as currently an emergency vehicle could not get over. Cllr Morgan and Smith will go for a walk around there. From the village walk there is lots of rubble and rubbish still left.

Mobile Speed Indicator Device and Speed watch: The group started by Fulbourn Forum has met twice. Need clarification on what they cover and if a council led group is also needed. Speed watch to go in the Pump asking for volunteers. Cllrs Bramwell, Saunders, Andrews, Anderson Craig and Colyer came forward.

Swifts S106: Responsibility for hedging around the flats was suggested as remaining with the flats. The remaining open spaces and hedging still needs clarification whether that is what the PC will be taking over. Cllr Bramwell is liaising with Accent on separate issues, who will be invited to attend the September meeting to clarify their ongoing responsibilities.

Local Highways Improvement funding (LHI): Coes Corner was discussed, noting that additional funding may be required to achieve the preferred scheme. It was suggested that Wilbraham Road be removed from potential LHI bids and signage requested instead. Teversham Road and Balsham Road were suggested as possible future LHI schemes due to speeding concerns.

Driveway: Cllr Smith had obtained a further quote of £29,000 from a CCC-approved contractor. Still waiting a third and final quote.

Skate Park: An update was given by the assistant clerk following the school consultation visit and on available S106 funding. Cllr Beckett updated members on the tender report, which will require Council approval.

High Street/Pierce Lane: Ongoing.

Seating at bus stop outside pharmacy: It was agreed to suggest a perch-style seat in response to the Wrights consultation.

Accessibility of Pavilion: An accident book will be made available at the Hub. Accessibility of the ramp into the pavilion is to be tested.

East West Railway: The proposed area has now been safeguarded. Following the meeting on 29 June, approximately 30 volunteers have formed a number of action groups. Cllr Johnson reported that his Freedom of Information request had been denied.

42 Tree works:

Hills have confirmed they are looking at the dangerous Ash tree on Teversham Road. Cllr Ward also reported another Ash tree on the rec which belongs to Hill and has ash die back.

Disclaimer: Fulbourn Parish Council Tree Officer and the Parish Council accept no liability for the advice given above.

43 Correspondence

Parishioner, email – are there any areas in the village where the grass can be kept longer for nature. *ACE committee and Clerk to look at. Speak to SP Landscapes*

Parishioner, email – there is no shade in the recreation ground play park. Asking if a sun shade can be added? *Clerk to look at options*

Cambridge Sustainable Food, email - Opportunity for Fulbourn residents to donate surplus fruit and veg. At the Swifts during the usual food hub, Tuesday 28th July, 10:30-11:30.

Parishioner, email - cricket balls being unsafe

SCDC, email – SAG Fulbourn Remembrance Parade enquiry

44 To resolve the accounts for the month.

Pavilion Gas.....	84.32	Pavilion Elec.....	435.20
Hub Gas.....	131.58	Hub Elec.....	247.31
SP Landscapes.....	3120.00	Man up.....	108.00
S Fretwell: internal auditor....	300.00	SP Landscapes.....	2088.00
Falcon: Pump printing.....	410.00	SCDC: uncontested election costs	225.00
Tesco: Mobile.....	26.99	Cleaner Windows: Swifts.....	30.00
Clerk: Wages.....	1382.28	Admin Assist: Wages.....	730.08
Cleaner: Wages.....	433.00	DR Raven Garden: hours.....	964.00

Cllr Ward received a quote from Echo for repairing the rocking horse. £1500 to repair. Council took a vote which passed.

Clerk needs to collect donation from MUGA and Tennis club for electricity. And water donation for Cricket and Bowls clubs.

Cllr Howell proposed passing the accounts, proposal seconded by Cllr Colyer and agreed by the Council.

45 Council Committees and Remote Meetings

46 To receive items for inclusion on the next Agenda for decision and/or action.

Cllr Ward brought up the drinking water fountain being put back in at the pavilion for filling water bottles up. Clerk to investigate.

Cllr Lockwood reported the entrance to the recreation ground at Impetts Lane needs to be cut back. Clerk to ask Groundsman to take a look.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 21:30

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 9th September 2026
in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn

Issued by the Parish Clerk: Emily Sullivan Thursday 16th July

Signed:

Date:

Attached reports: