

Minutes of a Meeting of FULBOURN PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday, 9th September 2026
in The Hub, Home End, Fulbourn.

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

Clerk: Mrs E Sullivan

Members: 15 (0 vacancies) Quorum 5

Members of the Public: 2

In attendance: District Councillor Wills-Eve (CWE); Assistant Clerk Alison Mclellan (AM)

Meeting opened at 19:30

47 To accept apologies for absence.

Councillors Lockwood and Ward

48 To notify the Clerk of any declarations of interest that will be declared by members for any item to be discussed

Cllr Saunders declared an interested relating to tree works. Cllr Lacey declared an interest in matters relating to East West Rail.

Public Forum

One parishioner addressed the Council regarding the relocation of a boundary fence to incorporate Parish Council-managed land on Bird Farm Road. The Chair confirmed that the matter was included on the agenda and would be considered later in the meeting.

49 To receive reports from County and District Councillors

49.1 County Councillor Matthew Morgan

A written report was received.

The Fulbourn Greenway plans were discussed, including the proposed zebra crossing on Hinton Road and improvements to the Cow Lane/Hinton Road junction. An update was awaited regarding the bollards opposite the Hat and Rabbit. The St Vigors Road LHI scheme for additional yellow lining outside Fulbourn Primary School may be combined with the proposed Manor Walk yellow lining to reduce costs. The possibility of extending the yellow lines on Church Lane, alongside the pharmacy, was also discussed.

Cllr Johnson raised a leaking bus shelter on Cambridge Road, opposite Windmill Lane. Cllr Wills-Eve agreed to establish who was responsible for its maintenance.

49.2 District Councillor Chloe Wills-Eve

A written report was received.

Cllr Wills-Eve reported that the Government's decision on Local Government Reorganisation had been paused, with further clarification expected later in the year. It was understood that the planned May 2027 elections would not take place and the current arrangements would remain for the time being.

Residents were encouraged to support the Ida Darwin site by using the farm shop and café. Work was continuing collaboratively to explore options for retaining the service beyond 2028.

The Council was reminded of the availability of designated Cool Spaces during periods of hot weather.

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The written report included an update on the East West Rail Train Care Centre, with work continuing to investigate alternative locations outside Cambridgeshire.	1591
50 To approve the minutes of the July 2026 meeting Subject to the correction of the spelling of Cllr Baruch's name, Cllr Andrews proposed approval of the minutes. This was seconded by Cllr Colyer and agreed by the Council.	Clerk
51 Matters arising from the last meeting Farehurst Park and The Orchards: The next meeting will take place in December. Councillors were asked to forward any comments to the Chair or Clerk. Mobile Speed Indicator Device and Speedwatch: The Clerk confirmed that the mobile speed indicator device was currently located on Cambridge Road. The need for additional devices was discussed, and it was agreed that the Clerk would investigate costs. Swifts S106: The Clerk circulated the S106 agreement and plans showing the areas proposed for transfer to the Parish Council. Council agreed to take on Phase 1 A and Phase 1B Open Spaces. Local Highways Improvement funding (LHI): Cllr Baruch had prepared notes regarding a potential zebra crossing for discussion with Highways committee. Other possible measures were discussed, including a safer crossing and traffic-calming measures on Teversham Road and measures to address reported speeding on School Lane and Pierce Lane. Cllr Morgan had also received reports of speeding on Teversham Road. It was agreed that advice should be sought from Highways on the most appropriate and feasible measures for the areas identified. Supporting speed data would be required for any future proposals. The option of the Parish Council independently funding highways improvements was also discussed, although it was noted that a zebra crossing could cost approximately £60,000–£70,000. Hub Driveway: Quotations were circulated. It was noted that the lower quotation was from a Cambridgeshire County Council 'Safe Hands' approved contractor, although clarification was required regarding whether all elements of the works were included. Cllr Beckett agreed to prepare a scoring matrix and Cllr Smith would seek clarification from the contractors. The Clerk would circulate the completed assessment to councillors. It was agreed that, if there was a clear preferred contractor following this process, the Council would proceed accordingly. Skate Park: The Assistant Clerk provided an update. Funding applications were ongoing, with one application having reached the final stage. Cllr Beckett agreed to assist. High Street/Pierce Lane: Ongoing. East West Rail: Cllr Colyer reported that a meeting of the Save Fulbourn group would take place within the next few weeks. Three potential outcomes regarding the Train Care Centre had been identified, with an outcome expected in the autumn. Pavilion: Initial costs were shared. The Council agreed to continue investigating the reinstatement of a drinking water fountain. Play Park: The Clerk circulated indicative costs for providing shade within the play area. It was agreed that the Clerk would continue investigating options and obtain further quotations. Planning complaint – 35 Bird Farm Road: The property owner was in attendance and was invited to address the Council. Cllr Wills-Eve confirmed that South Cambridgeshire District Council was aware of the matter. Following discussion, Cllr Johnson proposed that the Council formally write to the property owner requiring the fence to be returned to the previous boundary line. Cllr	Clerk AB, Assist Clerk Clerk Clerk

Drage seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed. The Council agreed to allow one month from the date of the formal letter for the fence to be moved. Village Pump: The Clerk would confirm the status of the Mill. It was agreed that a future edition of the Village Pump would include useful information for residents, including guidance on planning and checking land ownership. Weighbridge: Contact will be made with Camgrain to establish whether there was any possibility of the weighbridge being made available for public use, with the aim of reducing HGV movements through the village. Fulbourn Hub: It was agreed to investigate the cost of creating a doorway from the FA4Y corridor into the café area to improve accessibility for community activities. Wilbraham Road: It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate costs for the proposed works. Cricket: It was confirmed that the Cricket Club and other sports clubs using the Recreation Ground hold their own public liability insurance and maintain accident records. Relevant risk assessments and other documentation would be provided to the Clerk. The Clerk would forward Recreation Ground User Group correspondence to the Assistant Clerk. Fly-tipping: It was noted that Jim Stalley farms the land affected by the most recent fly-tipping, although the landowner still needed to be established. Cllr Baruch had investigated the relevant fly-tipping responsibilities and would report to the Highways Committee.	1592 Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk BB
52 Tree works The Clerk reported that two dead trees had been identified in the Cemetery and that works were scheduled for 15 September 2026.	
53 Correspondence Clerk, email: Councillor Code of Conduct training was available online on 24 and 29 September. Scouts, email: The 57th Fulbourn Scouts requested use of the Fulbourn Hub facilities on Sunday 13 December 2026 for a tea party to mark their 70th anniversary. <i>The Council agreed to the proposed use.</i> Parishioner, email: A complaint regarding the Poor Well tree works was received. Parishioner, email: A request was received for the hedge on the green at the junction of Caraway Road and Bird Farm Road to be cut back. <i>It was agreed that the work could be arranged.</i> Parishioner, email: Concerns were raised that the emergency telephone number shown on Balfour Beatty street-light stickers was no longer correct. Parishioners, email and telephone: Concerns were raised regarding fly-tipping on Fulbourn Old Drift. <i>Cllr Baruch had investigated the matter further and would report his findings to the next Highways Committee meeting.</i> Parishioner, email: Concerns were raised regarding the potential impact of noise associated with the proposed East West Rail development. <i>It was agreed that the Clerk would provide the resident with contact details for Cllrs Colyer and Andrews for further information.</i>	Clerk Clerk, TA, JC
54 To resolve the accounts for the month The Clerk presented a new accounts document, which would be used for future Council meetings. Cllr Beckett requested a copy of the previous precept document, which the Clerk will circulate. Cllr Johnson proposed approval of the accounts. This was seconded by Cllr Andrews and agreed by the Council.	Clerk

55 Council Committees and Remote Meetings 55.1 Swifts User Group Meeting – Wednesday 22 July 2026. 55.2 Ida Darwin Committee Meeting – 17 August 2026. 55.3 Greenways Meeting – Wednesday 19 August 2026. 55.4 Highways Meeting – Wednesday 19 August 2026. 55.5 Planning Meeting – Wednesday 26 August 2026. 55.6 Recreation Ground User Group – Tuesday 7 September 2026. 56 To receive items for inclusion on the next Agenda for decision and/or action There were no further items raised. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:55. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 14th October 2026 in The Swifts, Haggis Gap, Fulbourn Issued by the Parish Clerk: Emily Sullivan Friday 18th September	1593
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