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**Minutes of the Meeting of Weston Turville Parish Council
held on 16th July 2026 at Weston Turville Village Hall.**

PRESENT:

Councillors: D Willmin (Chair), C Popovici-Birkby (Vice Chair) and M Collins, C Dawkins, S Dawkins, N Harris, G Lait, and C Terry.

Locum Clerk: Steve Milton (LGRC)

Public Attendance: 14 members of public

OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS

- a) A member of the public raised concerns about an unmarked van that was parked randomly in Farendon Fields that he suspected contained commercial waste.
- b) Representatives of Aston Reach Residents Association (ARRA) provided a comprehensive update on the work of the Association:
 - ARRA supported the school bus initiative and would be happy to help promote the new service once the licence was approved.
 - ARRA would welcome representation on the new Environment Committee
 - ARRA was attending a meeting with Taylor Wimpey in the following week to discuss a number of ongoing concerns relating to the estate.
 - ARRA was promoting an environmental themed family event UNPLUGGED on 8th August 2026 that would highlight community-led projects in the village.
 - ARRA drew attention to the need for greater integration between the old village and the new developments.

Minute	Action
26.131 APOLOGIES Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs G Danelatos and H Jones.	
26.132 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest.	
26.133 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 th June 2026 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.	Clerk
26.134 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY An election to fill the vacancy on the Council was not requested. Therefore, the Council was required to co-opt a local resident to serve on the Council. A prospective candidate addressed the meeting and its was: RESOLVED: that Mr Neil Harris be appointed to serve on the Council for the remaining term.	Clerk

26.135	CLERK VACANCY The Chair reported that, following interviews held the previous Tuesday, a conditional offer of employment had been made. This offer was subject to references, agreement of terms and Council approval. The Chair reported that in view of timing, an extraordinary meeting would be convened to confirm the appointment as soon as all outstanding matters had been concluded.	Clerk
26.136	FINANCES The Council received the RFO's reports (previously circulated). RESOLVED - That the recommendations set out in the RFO's report be approved; - That the schedule of payments; receipts - £53,154.64, payments £76,572.92 and multipay card payments of £27.00 be approved; and - That the bank reconciliation be received.	RFO
26.137	HAMPDEN FIELD DEVELOPMENT The Council was consulted on the provision of open spaces on the Hampden Fields development. The proposals involved areas of Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) that were to be transferred to The Lands Trust and the remaining green spaces to be transferred to the Council together with a commuted sum to cover future upkeep. RESOLVED: - that The Council proceeds with the unrestricted freehold transfer of the non—SANG open spaces indicated on the ACD Environmental SANG and PCS Phasing Plan, subject to formal agreement of the commuted sums and all associated legal matters; and - that the Council requests that the area delineated in blue on the same plan (sports pitches and associated pavilions), is included as part of the agreement and transfers to the Council with the other non-SANG open spaces and play areas.	Clerk
26.138	COUNCIL MEETING ROOM – ACCESS SYSTEM The Council considered the Locum Clerk's report (circulated) outlining options to improve councillor access to the parish office meeting room. RESOLVED: that a key safe be purchased and installed beside the parish office entrance.	Clerk
26.139	ASTON REACH RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION (ARRA) The Chair of the Council provided an update on the last meeting of ARRA: 20 mph speed limit had been agreed. - Trees and planters being inspected by Taylor Wimpey. - Thames Water checking blocked drains - Houses up for sale linked to the amount of new development in the area.	Clerk
26.140	PROPOSED SCHOOL BUS SERVICE TO KINGSBROOK SCHOOL The Locum Clerk reported that the Council had previously supported the introduction of a regular school bus service to Kingsbrook School. Z&S Transport had now sought the Council's support for an application to Buckinghamshire Council for a licence to operate a commercial service from September 2026. It was anticipated that the service would benefit around 16-20 families (20+ children) currently making alternative arrangements – either taxis or private car journeys. The service would use existing bus stops in the parish. The Clerk had written supporting the application for the following reasons: The service provides a safe, reliable, and accessible school transport option for local children.	

	• The service provides an affordable solution for families. • The service provides a reduction in carbon generated from private car and taxi use. • The service will help reduce traffic on local roads at peak times. • The service uses existing bus stops within the community, close to home for children. Subject to approval, the Council would assist with the promotion and marketing of this new service later in the Summer. The Council supported the application.	
26.141	BARLEY CLOSE FIELD At the request of Cllr Lait, the Council considered approving the following maintenance works at Barley Close Field: a) Mowing the footpath – which has become overgrown b) Scheduling a flail mow of the field to include cutting back bramble growth c) Removal of unsafe shed structures RESOLVED: that the Locum Clerk arrange for the grass to be mown at Barley Close Field and that members organise a site visit to assess the need for further works.	Clerk
26.142	VILLAGE HALL The Locum Clerk reported that All Topps Roofing (ATR) had completed repairs to the roof, but while working they found over 8 dead pigeons under the solar panels. The birds managed to get under the pigeon guard and were unable to escape. RESOLVED: that the contract with All Tops Roofing be extended by up to £500 (plus material costs) to include: a) Removal of the existing pigeon guard, disposal of dead birds and cleaning the roof underneath the solar panels; and b) Installing a replacement bird guard.	Clerk
26.143	ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE As agreed at the last meeting, members considered draft Terms of Reference for this new committee (circulated). A minimum of three members were required to serve on the Committee. RESOLVED: a) That the revised terms of reference circulated by Cllr Jones be adopted; and b) That Cllrs Harris, C Dawkins, Jones (Chair), and Lait be appointed to serve on the Environment Committee.	Clerk
26.144	MATTERS FOR INFORMATION • Cllr Lait gave an update on the work of ARRA and highlighted the forthcoming Environment Day on 8th August. • Cllr C Dawkins reported that nobody had turned up to the councillor's surgery the previous Tuesday. Members asked for more publicity for future sessions. • The Chair reported that he had attended the opening of a new restaurant (Delicious) in the Village. He praised the quality of the food and applauded the investment made.	
26.145	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Members noted that the next meeting will be on 17th September 2026 at 7pm	Clerk

Signed: _____ Date: 17th September 2026

Appendix 1 – Payments list

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS JULY 2026

RECEIPTS

Date	Who	Detail	Ref	Net	Vat	Total
03/07/2026	Bucks Council	S106 - Playground improvements		£52,654.64		£52,654.64
10/07/2026	Village Retreat	Rent		£500.00		£500.00
TOTAL				£53,154.64	£0.00	£53,154.64

PAYMENTS

26/06/2026	Vodafone	Mobile phone bill	DD	£25.07	£5.01	£30.08
01/07/2026	Cloudy IT	Software licences and support	DD	£181.96	£36.40	£218.36
10/07/2026	BAS Associates	Payroll Q2	DD	£209.00	£41.80	£250.80
16/07/2026	Caloo	Playground improvements	electronic	£53,675.00	£10,735.00	£64,410.00
16/07/2026	Total Landscapes	ground maintenance June	electronic	£833.33	£166.67	£1,000.00
16/07/2026	Windowflowers	planter maintenance Jul-Dec	electronic	£642.13	£128.43	£770.56
16/07/2026	LGRC	Locum clerk hours and mileage	electronic	£3,784.28	£756.85	£4,541.13
16/07/2026	All Topps	village hall roof repairs	electronic	£550.00		£550.00
16/07/2026	Shield Maintenance	dog and litter bins emptying	electronic	£715.00	£143.00	£858.00
16/07/2026	Weatherhead Drainage	site visit to record levels and make recommendations	electronic	£225.00	£45.00	£270.00
16/07/2026	Lloyds Multipay card	see below	DD	£23.00	£4.00	£27.00
16/07/2026	Bucks Council	Pensions July	electronic	£597.66		£597.66
16/07/2026	Open Spaces Society	2026-27 membership fee	electronic	£45.00		£45.00
16/07/2026	Lengthsman	Village tidying June	electronic	£292.00		£292.00
20/07/2026	5G Communications	broadband and landline	electronic	£65.63	£13.13	£78.76
20/07/2026	DRAX	street light electricity	DD	£414.05	£82.81	£496.86
24/07/2026	Payroll	July salaries	SO	£1,849.63		£1,849.63
31/07/2026	Unity Bank	Banking fees for June	DD	£10.00		£10.00
31/07/2026	HMRC	PAYE & NI July	DD	£277.09		£277.09
TOTAL				£64,414.83	£12,158.09	£76,572.92

Multipay Card - 2nd July 2026 statement

Date	Paid To	Detail	Net	Vat	Total
04/06/2026	Amazon	laptop charger	£20.00	£4.00	£24.00
02/06/2026	Lloyds Bank	monthly card fee	£3.00		£3.00
Total			£23.00	£4.00	£27.00