

Minutes of the Meeting of Weston Turville Parish Council held on 16th April 2026 at the Parish Meeting Room, Weston Turville Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Parish Cllrs: R Blackmore (Chair), M Collins, S Dawkins, H Jones, G Lait, C Popovici-Birkby, C Terry and D Willmin
 Clerk: Trinity Backus
 Public Attendance: 22 members of the public

OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS

- The Aston Reach Residents Association submitted a formal letter of complaint directed towards the leadership of Weston Turville Parish Council.
- A resident requested heavy planter boxes to block off a road deemed unintended to be used; Clerk to look into the original road plan and the legality regarding this and put on a future agenda.
- A resident voiced wishes for more non-car travel routes for events around the parish.

Minute	Action
26.75 APOLOGIES None received, all councillors in attendance.	
26.76 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST a) There were no declarations of interest. b) There were no dispensation requests.	
26.77 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING It was AGREED by majority vote to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd April as an accurate record. The minutes were signed by the Chair.	
26.78 COUNCILLOR VACANCY a) It was noted that no election had been requested to fill the vacancy and the Council could now co opt a new member. b) One application had been received for the vacancy but the applicant was not able to attend the meeting, this matter would be deferred to the next meeting.	
26.79 FINANCIAL MATTERS a) The list of payments totalling £24,411.79 was APPROVED and are attached to these minutes as appendix 1. b) The asset register as at 31 st March was noted and approved.	
26.80 STREETLIGHT – BROOK END The Clerk reported that a streetlight in Brook End that had failed and a quote of £550 obtained to replace it and fit it with a shield which had been requested by a nearby resident. It was unanimously AGREED to replace the light but to get a quote for insect-friendly street lighting before signing off the proposed item.	Clerk
26.81 ASTON REACH A request to install litter picking equipment at the Aston Reach estate had been received. The cost for wall mounted equipment was £320, it was unanimously AGREED	Clerk

	to purchase this and that it would be installed onto the Parish Council Noticeboard at Aston Reach estate. It was further agreed to add funding a new bin for the Aston Reach estate, the Clerk would obtain quotes and permissions from the landowner.	
26.82	<p>BUS SERVICE</p> <p>Cllr Willmin delivered a report regarding the discussions had with Buckinghamshire Council regarding bus routes for students, and that Bucks Council stated there were no plans to provide further public buses due to there being no breach of the Home to School Transport Policy.</p> <p>It was unanimously AGREED to follow up with other Parish Councils that have alternative bus schemes to investigate potential future transport links for residents.</p>	DW and Clerk
26.83	<p>WESTON TURVILLE TIMES</p> <p>The advertising rates for the magazine were reviewed in light of it going online and not printed. It was unanimously AGREED that the Clerk contact current advertisers to collate a report on what rates they were willing to pay for a primarily online magazine.</p>	Clerk
26.84	<p>PLAY AREA IMPROVEMENTS</p> <p>The Clerk reported that the order had been placed for the new play equipment and improved safety surfacing and that the contractor had given a start date of 1st June to avoid the May half term. Works would take approximately 3 weeks.</p> <p>The Council considered the additional cost of £1180 for extra wet pour surface to fill in some small gaps and it was unanimously AGREED to go ahead with this work.</p>	Clerk
26.85	<p>CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>The new clerk had started on 13th April, the outgoing Clerk was providing support one day per week and maintaining the accounts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The internal audit for 2025-26 has been completed. • VAT has been reclaimed and received for April 2025 – February 2026, the claim for March was submitted to HMRC on 9th April. 	
26.86	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next scheduled meeting would be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 21st May at 7pm.</p>	

Signed: _____ Date: 21st May 2026

Actions List

Ref	Action	Who	Update / Complete
25.173a	Cricket proposal documentation	Work group	
26.9d	Quotes for earth works to improve drainage	Clerk	
26.10	Place orders for supplies for orchard	Clerk	Partially complete
26.13	Arrange for council to join the Bucks energy contract	Clerk	
26.34d	Open Flagstone account	Clerk	
26.38a	Diarise to arrange for new limestone in summer	Clerk	✓
26.38c	Investigate grants for hall roof	Clerk	
26.41	Finalise welcome pack and get 100 copies printed	Clerk	
26.55a	Write to Bucks Council, First Port and Taylor Wimpey asking that they address rat running through Aston Reach	Clerk	
26.57	Neighbourhood plan to be proofread and submitted for s14 consultation	NP steering group	
26.78	Advertise councillor vacancies	Clerk	✓
26.80	Quote for streetlight	Clerk	✓
26.81	Place order for litter pick station	Clerk	✓
26.81	Obtain quotes and permission for new litter bin	Clerk	
26.82	Research community bus schemes	DW / Clerk	
26.83	Email WTT advertisers	Clerk	✓
26.84	Place order for additional wetpour	Clerk	✓

Appendix 1 – Payments list

Date	Who	Detail	Ref	Net	Vat	Total
04/03/2026	HugoFox	Website hosting		£239.88	£47.98	£287.86
01/04/2026	Cloudy IT	software licences and support	DD	£165.76	£33.15	£198.91
13/04/2026	Cloudy IT	new licence for new staff member	DD	£12.02	£2.41	£14.43
10/04/2026	BAS Associates	Payroll fees Q1	DD	£171.00	£34.20	£205.20
16/04/2026	DRAX	streetlight electric March	DD	£580.57	£116.10	£696.67
16/04/2026	Multipay Card	See below	DD	£652.83	£91.12	£743.95
16/04/2026	Ramblers Assoc	3 x replacement gates	electronic	£1,350.00		£1,350.00
16/04/2026	B Knight	internal audit fee 25-26	electronic	£200.00		£200.00
16/04/2026	R Haines	Village tidying	electronic	£150.00		£150.00
16/04/2026	Milton Keynes Play Association	2 summer play sessions	electronic	£1,138.80		£1,138.80
16/04/2026	Shield Maintenance	dog and litter bins March	electronic	£602.33	£120.47	£722.80
16/04/2026	S Copley	Cost claim - notebooks and diary	electronic	£19.56	£3.92	£23.48
16/04/2026	Rialtas Business Solutions	RBS Alpha annual licence	electronic	£210.00	£42.00	£252.00
16/04/2026	Creative Audio Visual Solutions	balance pmt for AV system (S106)	electronic	£11,680.00	£2,336.00	£14,016.00
21/04/2026	Payroll	April Salaries	electronic	£3,287.19		£3,287.19
21/04/2026	Bucks Pension	pension contribution (April)	electronic	£619.34		£619.34
22/04/2026	5G communications	landline and broadband	DD	£65.63	£13.13	£78.76
29/04/2026	Information Commissioners Office	data protection fee	DD	£47.00		£47.00
30/04/2026	Unity Bank	Bank fees for March	DD	£12.10		£12.10
	HMRC	PAYE& NI (collected quarterly)	DD	£367.31		£367.31
TOTAL				£21,571.32	£2,840.47	£24,411.79