

Minutes of the Meeting of Fillongley Parish Council

Held at Fillongley Village Hall on Thursday 20th November 2025 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr A R Pargetter, Cllr A B White, Cllr S Onions, Cllr J Hooke, Cllr D Wardley and Cllr P Sullivan. Clerk: Cllrs Sullivan and Wardley. There were 10 members of the public in attendance.

14304 AGENDA ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

There were Apologies received from NWBC Cllrs Mark Simpson and David Wright.

14305 AGENDA ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman invited members who wished to do so to make declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest in respect of items on the agenda. None were declared.

14306 AGENDA ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Thursday 17th October 2025 and the Minutes of the HR committee meeting on 4th November, having been previously circulated and read, were approved on the proposition of Cllr White and Seconded by Cllr Onions. All in favour.

14307 AGENDA ITEM 4 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Meeting Closed. There was public discussion regarding the following;

- Flooding in the village; what is to be done for local properties in the village? The current emergency plan needs updating. Rachel Taylor MP has been notified of issues.

Meeting re-opened.

14308 AGENDA ITEM 5 PROGRESS REPORTS for information

- Change of speed limit in Wood End Lane.** No progress in reducing the limit. WCC are happy with it being National Speed Limit.
- Road marking on Coventry Road.** Not completed. WCC will look at it when the weather improves, possibly in the spring.
- Trip rail/bund proposal.** No progress.
- Football changing rooms update (architect/planapp)** Waiting for response from architect. There has been a verbal conversation with the Scouting group who are suggesting merging the changing rooms and scouting buildings and leaving the existing changing rooms as a storage building. There is no further written suggestion at this stage. Noted.
- Speed surveys on Nuneaton Road, Meriden Road and Church Lane.** Not completed.
- Footpath on Tamworth Road.** The gully is cleared.
- Japanese Knotweed reported.** No progress as it is the wrong time of year.
- FNP inspection.** No further progress.
- Fillongley Crossroads.** WCC Cllr Scott Cameron reported that there are clear objections to traffic lights at the crossroads. WCC Cllr Jennifer Warren has agreed in principal to install traffic lights despite local objection. A crossing is also proposed although it is not clear where this will be (Coventry Road/Nuneaton Road). Cllr Sullivan suggested that temporary lights could be set up for a month to see the effects.

- j. **Repairs to footpath sleepers on Corley Moor.** No progress.
- k. **Newhall Green potholes.** No progress.
- l. **Damaged height restriction barrier at the park.** Lower price was received of £525 so Clerk has authorised the work as per the last meeting. In addition, there is a small repair to the tractor which has also been requested.
- m. **Little Oaks court case.** Cost was agreed in the last meeting however Clerk has not had time to progress.
- n. **Banking changes.** These will be completed after this meeting.
- o. **Loose dogs on Hardingwood Lane.** Police attended but house empty so will return.
- p. **Remembrance Sunday.** Thanks to all involved in organising and those who attended.
- q. **WALC AGM.** Cllr Pargetter attended the online meeting although the communications were poor and he couldn't clearly hear the presentations.
- r. **Consultation on removal of Garages in Eastlang Road.** There has been consultation on removal of NWBC garages but those in Eastlang Road were not included. Clerk trying to ascertain why, but no response to date.

14309 AGENDA ITEM 6 MATTERS FOR DECISION

- a. **Annual Inspection issues at the Recreation Ground.** Some costings were available but not complete. Cllr Sullivan proposed a maximum spend of £300, Seconded by Cllr White. All in favour.
- b. **Policies (Cemetery Burial Policy, Pension & Retirement Policy).** It was agreed that both policies need further work before adoption therefore these will be re-checked at the next meeting.
- c. **Co-option dates.** Further to NWBC requirement to post statutory notices, no election has been requested and therefore FPC will co-opt a new Councillor. Notices will be posted with a closing date of 15th December in order to co-opt at the next meeting on 18th December 2025
- d. **Request to plant rose bush at Cemetery.** Cllr Wardley proposed agreeing to the request on the proviso that FPC are not responsible for its upkeep. Seconded by Cllr Sullivan. All in favour.
- e. **To accept the recommendations of the HR committee as per the Minutes (previously circulated).** Proposed by Cllr White, Seconded by Cllr Onions. All in favour.

14310 AGENDA ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Warwickshire Matters (circulated by email) x 2. *Noted.*
- b. New Access for Woodcorner Farm. *FPC have requested update from Cllr Cameron.*
- c. Complaint about light missing in Eastlang Road for several years. *Replacement will be fitted within 25 days.*
- d. NWBC play area training opportunity. *FPC would like to be included. Clerk to notify NWBC*
- e. NWBC local plan briefing for Councillors; 26/27-11 or 07/01/26. *Noted.*
- f. NWBC Consultation on New Article 4 Direction for Small HMOs 6/11-18/12/2. *Noted.*
- g. WALC roundup 145 (circulated by email). Cllr White proposed that Cllr Sullivan should do the Councillor planning training on 18/2/26 at a cost of £40. Seconded by Cllr Wardley. All in favour.
- h. Road Closures;

- i Wall Hill Road 19.11.25 *Noted.*
- ii Shawbury Lane 14-16/01/2026 *Noted.*
- i. Draft Public Open Space Supplementary Planning Document Consultation 07/11-19/12/25. *Noted.*
- j. Results of fungus survey on Corley Moor. *Noted.*
- k. Website/email proposals from CIC
- l. Email re Community Energy Fund and writing to our MP. *Noted.*
- m. Police SNT newsletter. *Noted.*
- n. Police Operation Plenty email. *Noted.*
- o. Tom White Waste Annual Waste Transfer note letter. *Noted.*
- p. Open Spaces Society ezine (circulated by email). *Noted.*
- q. Letter from R Taylor MP re meeting at the Manor House. *Sent to wrong address. Noted.*
- r. Fillongley Cricket Club at United Nations COP30 Climate Conference. *Well deserved recognition. Clerk to write to congratulate the Club.*
- s. Email of thanks from the Guides for the donation following Silver Sunday. *Noted.*

Planning Applications to consider;

PAP/2025/0510 Meadow View Farm, Kinwalsey Lane. Certificate of Lawful Development for Existing Log cabin, used as ancillary accommodation to the main dwelling, located within the curtilage of the property. Clerk to write.

PAP/2025/0496 Bournebrook C Of E School, Coventry Road. **Description of Development:** Works to trees in a conservation area: Crown Lift T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, T6, T7, T8, T9, T10, T11, T12 Prune/tip: T8, T13. No objections.

Determinations of Planning Applications; None.

Ongoing Planning Infringement issues;

- Meadow View Farm CMP/2022/0110
- Millfield Farm CMP/2023/00020

14311 AGENDA ITEM 8 FINANCE for approval;

a Checking and signing of bank statements & reconciliations. These were left to be checked in December.

b Payments for approval;

| Payee | Reason | Nett | Reclaimable VAT | Gross | Method | Trans No |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|--------|----------|
| H Badham | SCP 30 November | | | | BACS | |
| J Barthram | November | | | | BACS | |
| HMRC | Tax | | | | BACS | |
| WCC Pension Sch | November | | | | BACS | |
| H Badham | Broadband Nov | 10.00 | | 10.00 | BACS | |
| MB Systems | Phone | 7.35 | 1.47 | 8.82 | DD | 514 |
| Scottish Power | Changing rooms | 21.00 | | 21.00 | DD | 513 |

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| Water Plus | Chg Rm 10616435 TBC Nov | 23.34 | 2.14 | 25.48 | DD | 510 |
| Water Plus | Cem 10626369 TBC Nov | 10.72 | 2.14 | 12.86 | DDCEM | 509 |
| Tom White Waste | IAC 190711 | 25.34 | 5.07 | 30.41 | BACS | 516 |
| Unity Trust | Monthly charges | 6.00 | | 6.00 | DD | 519 |
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| G H Pearman | Post for park gate | 13.50 | 2.70 | 16.20 | | 512 |
| Wicksteed | Parts | 10.60 | 2.12 | 12.72 | | 515 |
| Open Space Society | Membership | 45.00 | | 45.00 | BACS | 517 |

Cllr Wardley proposed approval of payments, Seconded by Cllr White. All in favour.

14312 AGENDA ITEM 9 COUNCILLORS REPORTS and items for future agenda

- Cllr Pargetter reported from the NWAC meeting of 19/11/25
- Roundabout still taped off awaiting part cost and availability.

14313 AGENDA ITEM 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next regular meeting to be 18th December 2025.

14314 AGENDA ITEM 11 VILLAGE HALL BUSINESS

- **Lease.** The lease is with the Avery Trust solicitors for approval.
- **Asbestos Survey.** No quote yet received.
- **Hirer** – non-payment of charges. Letter sent but no response.
- **Annual Charity Commission financial accounts check.** Cllr Sullivan has completed an audit of the 2024 books and found all to be in order with no issues raised.
- **Increased charges issue.** Further to discussion and review of the email received, Trustees agreed that the charges still stand and should be paid.

| Payee | Reason | Gross | Method | Trans no. |
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| J Moore | October | | BACS | |
| HMRC | November | | BACS | |
| EE | November | 11.47 | DD | 1380 |
| Domestic & General | Contract November | 43.00 | DD | 1386 |
| Water Plus | INV10809434 | 85.44 | DD | 1387 |
| Tom White Waste | IAC190714 | 76.75 | BACS | 1381 |
| Unity Trust Bank | | 6.00 | DD | 1379 |
| Scottish Power | Inv 608005174369 | 43.85 | DD | 1384 |
| Scottish Power | Inv 612005013485 elec | 90.49 | DD | 1382 |
| Millwood Supplies | Cleaning materials | 161.46 | DD | 1385 |
| S J Kelsey | Mowing | 394.80 | BACS | 1383 |

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