



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the Meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 24th June 2025 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

Present: Cllrs King (Chairman), Agate, Camley, Hayday, Palmer and Aldhouse (co-opted).

In attendance: Maria Pennington (Parish Clerk), 4 members of the public and Wiltshire Cllr Cooper.

Public question time.

A member of the public raised concerns over alleged planning breaches at Tricky's Paddock and that Wiltshire Council enforcement has made no response. A mobile home has now been installed. Wiltshire Cllr Cooper advised he has spoken with the enforcement officer and will continue to pursue the issues.

A member of the public raised concerns over the possible cancellation of the X7R bus. Wiltshire Cllr Cooper advised he will investigate.

The Clerk read a summary of PC Ramsey's report.

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

144/25 Apologies had been received from Cllrs Pavey, Harris and Gould due to prior commitments. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the apologies. PC Kelvin Ramsey had also sent his apologies.

To receive any Declarations of Interest, and to decide upon any requests for Dispensations relating to matters on this agenda.

145/25 There were no Declarations of Interest.

Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

146/25 This item was not required.

To receive written applications for the office of parish councillors and co-opt candidates to fill the vacancies.

147/25 Mr Aldhouse had submitted a request for a councillor vacancy and he was given an opportunity to introduce himself. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to co-opt Mr Aldhouse as a member of the Parish Council. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor was signed by Mr Aldhouse and he was invited to leave the public gallery and join the meeting.

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Minutes approved as a true and accurate record, and signed as so by the Chairman presiding

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Date.....

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th May 2025.

148/25 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th May 2025 and they were signed by the Chairman.

Planning and enforcement update.

149/25, 122/25, 85/25 It was agreed for the Clerk to also report the breach of the installation of a mobile home at Tricky's Paddock.

150/25 The Clerk advised that since the publication of the agenda an application has been received for Newton Farmhouse. As the following meeting is on the 29th July the Planning Officer has kindly given the Parish Council until 30th July to respond.

To consider and agree a response to planning applications received:

151/25 PL/2025/04994 Upper Youngs Farm, Doves Lane, Whiteparish, SP5 2SJ Demolition of existing single-storey, flat roofed garage, erection of replacement garage with storage. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to recommend the garage is conditioned ancillary to the main dwelling.

152/25 PL/2025/05169 Little Orchard, Common Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2SU Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area. G1 Row of Conifers mixed with Macrocarpa and Leylandii to be reduced by 50% due to excessive shading to neighbours, to form a smaller more manageable hedge in the future. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

Finance update.

153/25 The Clerk reported that Wiltshire Pension have advised Whiteparish Parish Council has been given an employer covenant rating of 'medium'.

154/25, 129/25 The Clerk reported that Jim Bishop and Hugh Francis have been removed as signatories from the Unity Trust Bank account.

To note the details of the fixed bond accounts with Cambridge & Counties Bank.

155/25, 94/25 Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated the report of the details of the fixed bond accounts with Cambridge & Counties Bank. Whiteparish Parish Council noted the details as follows:

- a. 2 year fixed rate bond issue 48 - £21,020.00 at 4.20% and maturity date 04.06.27
- b. 1 year left on a 2-year fixed rate bond issue 41 - £32,741.27 at 4.70% and maturity date 19.06.26.

To note the increase of annual registration to the ICO from £35.00 to £47.00 paid by annual direct debit.

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To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances.

157/25 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £2,438.29
Unity Trust Bank Current Account 20.06.25 £15,897.77

Unity Trust Bank Savings Account 20.06.25 £79,185.48

Cambridge & Counties 2 Year Bond £21,020.00 maturity date 04.06.27

Cambridge & Counties 2 Year Bond £32,741.27 maturity date 19.06.26

To note the skatepark annual inspection report and agree any related immediate works necessary.

158/25 Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated the skatepark annual inspection report. Whiteparish Parish Council noted the report with no immediate action required.

To consider obtaining quotes for additional maintenance of the Wiltshire Council owned piece of land at the junction of Common Road and The Street where the flower tubs are situated.

159/25 The Clerk advised the flower tubs have been planted and it has been suggested that the area they are on is maintained more frequently. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED for the Clerk to obtain quotes in order that the area is maintained on a fortnightly basis – once by Wiltshire Council contractors and once by the Parish Council.

A member of the public attending the meeting then made an offer for undertaking this maintenance voluntarily. This offer will be considered at a future Parish Council meeting.

To consider nominating up to three Trustees for the Whiteparish Memorial Trust.

160/25 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to nominate three Trustees for the Whiteparish Memorial Trust. Jim Bishop is resigning as a nominated Trustee. Pat Pavey and John Agate were nominated and re-elected as Memorial Trust Trustees.

161/25 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to advertise for the third Parish Council nominated Trustee and for the Clerk to inform the Whiteparish Memorial Trust of current circumstances.

To approve new Councillors who wish to participate in the introductory training supplied by Wiltshire Association of Local Councils (WALC).

162/25 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED that on recruitment of new Councillors they be offered to attend the introductory training, at present known as Councillor Fundamentals, supplied by Wiltshire Association of Local Councils (WALC) currently at £40 plus VAT per person.

Rights of Way and Common Land update.

163/25 The Clerk advised 3 dangerous stiles have been reported to Wiltshire Council on ROW 10 between Blaxwell Farm and Parkwater.

164/25 Cllr Hayday advised ROW 3 at Newton Lane is now passable.

Highway's update.

165/25, 104/25, 257/24, 143/24, 101/24 The Green street name plate has now been installed by Wiltshire Council.

166/25 The Clerk advised that Wiltshire Council wish to book the gully cleaner for The Street. They have tried to clear the gullies before however parked vehicles have been in the way. Wiltshire Council Highways will get a specific date so a letter drop can go to residents and 'no parking' cones can be placed out.

167/25 Cllr Camley advised vegetation as you enter the village on Brickworth Road is overgrowing the highway and obstructing sight lines when using the pavement. The Clerk will contact Wiltshire Council.

168/25, 134/25 The Wiltshire Council Dog Warden has placed dog fouling reminder signs within the village. Wiltshire Council have also launched a 'Leave Only Pawprints' competition to remind dog owners to pick up after their pets.

169/25 Reports from representatives for information purposes only:

Memorial Trust: Cllr Agate updated on the Memorial Trust with the AGM being on 5th July 2025.

New Forest National Park: Cllr Palmer advised there has not been a meeting since the end of April.

Area Board: Cllr Hayday updated on the Area Board meeting which was held on 19th June in Allington. Wiltshire Cllr Cooper advised the local police were asked to attend local Parish Council meetings. The next Area Board meetings are on 4th September in Alderbury and 20th November in Whiteparish.

Whiteparish Education Foundation: Cllr Palmer updated on the Whiteparish Education Foundation.

Neighbourhood Tasking Group/Police: No update.

Correspondence/communications update.

170/25 The Clerk had circulated the update prior to the meeting. There were no queries.

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting is to be held on Tuesday 29th July 2025 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.