

**Minutes of a meeting of Wootton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.**

**PRESENT: Chairman:** Cllrs G Horton, A Lowe, I Esanu, N Shoot

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs H Hepworth (Clerk)

No members of the public

Ward Cllr Wells

As the Chair and Vice Chair had sent apologies

**Proposed: Cllr Shoot, seconded: Cllr Esanu**

**Resolved:** Cllr Horton was elected as Chair for the meeting

- 2601/1 Apologies for absence**  
Apologies were received from Cllr Hannigan, Cllr Clark, Cllr Morgan and Cllr Kirkby
- 2601/2 Declarations of interest on any agenda items**  
2601/10c Personal Interest Cllr Horton, Cllr Shoot, Cllr Esanu
- 2601/3 Adoption of the minutes**  
**Proposed: Cllr Shoot, seconded: Cllr Esanu**  
**Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting in December were agreed as a true record – unanimous  
*The minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting were deferred to the next meeting*
- 2601/4 Clerk updates**  
SID – the SID will be delivered to 66 High Street  
Singleton Birch – 12<sup>th</sup> January at the Pond. Quotes now need to be submitted to Singleton Birch. The preferred method is suction and the fish would need to be removed and put back. The pond will be netted.
- 2601/5 Planning Applications**  
PA/2025/1444 – it was noted that the comments were submitted on to the portal.  
There are no new planning applications
- 2601/6 Police Matters/NATS:**  
a) Issues were reported at the NATs meeting relating to anti-social behaviour – no new issues  
b) Update on anti social behaviour at the pond – no new issues  
c) Any other issues – no issues to report
- 2601/7 North Lincolnshire Council Matters:**  
a) Report from NLC Ferry Ward Member Councillors  
NATS 11<sup>th</sup> February 5.30pm Vicar's Room at Barrow  
Pocket Park – there is a possibility that North Lincs would register it as theirs and Wootton PC could possibly lease it.  
A fence / gate are needed and a pathway.  
b)New matters to consider – none
- 2601/8 Correspondence:**  
Correspondence has been received regarding Guidance on Discussions Between Developers and Parish Councils for New Builds stating that the parishioner does not feel that this was done correctly as only one person was involved and no feedback given. This was discussed with the Ward Cllr
- 2601/9 Finance:**  
a) To agree payments to be made in accordance with the Schedule of Payments for January 2026  
**Proposed: Cllr Morgan, Seconded: Cllr Esanu – unanimous**  
**Resolved** The payments were unanimously agreed including  
Village Hall Hire £20 for meeting, £20 for EO meeting  
Clerk's Salary, HMRC PAYE, pension and expenses

Postage £1.70

- b) It was noted that bank statements tally with the month end reporting
- c) The Finance Summary for December was noted
- d) The Q3 Budget Reconciliation was noted and the VAT 126 claim for Q3 of £664.77 has been submitted

**2601/10 Environmental and village issues.**

- a) The pond – Singleton Birch visit was noted
- b) Village newsletter – the articles need to go to the Parish Council for approval and have a disclaimer on it
- c) Neighbourhood plan – 15<sup>th</sup> January the call was initiated to North Lincs to go for consultation for the plan
- d) Update on the fishing club – the constitution is ready to be approved
- e) To receive information about Community Planting - no update
- f) Any new village matters to report

**2601/11 Policies**

**Proposed: Cllr Horton, Seconded: Cllr Esanu – unanimous**

**Resolved** The IT policy was approved

**Proposed: Cllr Horton, Seconded: Cllr Esanu – unanimous**

**Resolved** The Publication Scheme was approved

**2601/12 Agenda items for next meeting**

To consider items to be included on the next agenda  
Asset Register and limit, FOI, policies

**2601/12 Date of next meeting:**

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7pm

Meeting close: 19:53