

**Minutes of a meeting of Wootton Parish Council held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.**

**PRESENT: Chairman:** Cllr B Kirkby, Cllrs G Horton, I Esanu, N Shoot

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

No members of the public

Ward Cllr Wells

- 2603/1 Apologies for absence**  
Apologies were received from Cllr Hannigan and Cllr Clark  
Cllr Morgan's resignation was noted. The Parish Council thanked him for his contribution
- 2603/2 Declarations of interest on any agenda items**  
None
- 2603/3 Adoption of the minutes**  
**Proposed: Cllr Kirkby, seconded: Cllr Shoot**  
**Resolved:** The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting in February were agreed as a true record – unanimous
- 2603/4 Clerk updates**  
SID – the SID will be delivered to 23 High Street and is now at 31 High Street
- 2603/5 Planning Applications**  
It was noted there were no new planning applications
- 2603/6 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
- 2603/7 North Lincolnshire Council Matters:**  
a) Report from NLC Ferry Ward Member Councillors  
The bins have been received and are being collected. Potholes are being filled. Thornton Abbey bends remain shut.
- 2603/8 Correspondence**  
A resident had requested the minutes but was using the 'old' email address. Residents are reminded that the Clerk can be contacted on clerk@wootton-lincolnshire-pc.gov.uk
- 2603/9 Finance:**  
a) To agree payments to be made in accordance with the Schedule of Payments for March 2026  
**Proposed: Cllr Horton, Seconded: Cllr Shoot – unanimous**  
**Resolved** The payments were unanimously agreed including  
Village Hall Hire £20 for meeting, Clerk's Salary, HMRC PAYE, pension and expenses  
The Clerk will ask Nettleton to quote for planting and will do the watering  
b) It was noted that bank statements tally with the month-end reporting  
c) The Finance Summary for February was noted  
d) Asset Register – this has been updated and needs to be approved at the next meeting
- 2603/10 Environmental and village issues.**  
a) The pond  
Cllr Esanu will respond to the following questions with the agreed responses:
- Full site address
  - Estimated volume of material to be dredged
  - Depth of dredging required

- Type of material to be dredged (e.g., silt, sand, gravel)
- Site conditions, including water depth and access constraints
- Anticipated project start date – Sept 2026
- Anticipated project duration – 6 months
- Whether this is a tender or an awarded project - tender
- Any technical drawings, surveys, or specifications relevant to the dredging scope
- Disposal requirements or preferred disposal sites for dredged material – disposal required

b) Village newsletter – the Village Hall has sent out a newsletter. Cllr Shoot will speak with the school's Headteacher and Village Hall Committee

c) Neighbourhood plan – The Village Plan web page [woottonparishplan.co.uk](http://woottonparishplan.co.uk) will soon be live

d) Update on the fishing club – no update

e) To receive information about Community Planting - no update

f) Any new village matters to report – Cllr Morgan's resignation has been sent to the Local Authority, who will provide the Clerk with a Notice of Vacancy to publish. The Clerk will publish this when it is available. Once this has been publicised for the time on the notice, the Local Authority will then inform the Clerk if there will be an election or if the Parish Council is to proceed with Co-Option and this instruction will be published when the deadline is met.

**2603/11**

**Agenda items for next meeting**

To consider items to be included on the next agenda

Policies to be on May agenda

**2603/12**

**Date of next meeting:**

The next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April immediately after the Annual Meeting of the Parish

The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm

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Meeting close: 20:02