

Minutes of the meeting of Warborough Parish Council
 Wednesday 4 March 2026, 7.30pm @ The Greet Hall

Present:	<p>Cllr Megan Hanson (MH) Chair Cllr Jonnie Bradshaw (JB) Vice Chair Clerk Andy White (AW) Cllr Alan Lamb (AL) Cllr Nigel Meadows (NM) Cllr Richard Pullen (RP) District Cllr Sue Cooper (SC) Cllr Gavin Mcglaughlin (GMC) 2 Members of the public</p>
2026/031	<p>To accept apologies and reason for absence Absence from: Cllr Marina Hamilton (MHa)</p>
2026/032	<p>We still have a position open for a new councillor. Please apply directly to the clerk if you are interested in the role. The Clerk reported that we have had no new applicants.</p>
2026/033	<p>Declarations of interest (existence & nature) with regards to items on the agenda NONE</p>
2026/034	<p>Confirm Minutes from meeting on 4th February 2026. The minutes were confirmed and signed by the chair.</p>
2026/035	<p>Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting. All actions are completed or underway.</p>
2026/036	<p>District Councillors' Report (SC) reads the highlight of the report. Full District Councillors report available on Parish website, and summary sent via email</p>
2026/037	<p>County Councillor's Report (GMC) reads the highlight of the report. Full County Councillors report available on Parish website. The subject turned again to the appalling state of the roads and OCC's assertion that they check the roads every month. GMC will invite relevant people to review the state of the roads through Warborough, in the meantime reporting through FMS and forwarding the details to the clerk for collating before forwarding to GMC appears to be working. GMC to ascertain who is responsible for the Shillingford rails.</p>
2026/038	<p>Working Group Reports</p> <p>Infrastructure Road GMC indicated that if fixmystreet reports were channelled through the Clerk to him, he would endeavour to raise the reports in his regular meetings with highways. This is ongoing AL is currently doing an audit of all the street signs and their condition, this will give a priority list for refurbishment. ACTION AL to finish list and circulate ACTION Clerk to discuss priorities with Harry Belton (HB) ACTION RP to obtain quote for fixing holes on The Green</p> <p>Infrastructure Other</p>

	<p>Pathways, AL reported that the intended repair to the church wall will not affect the pathway but requested the use of the extendable barrier to cover the hole whilst it's repaired.</p> <p>Environment Trees NM proposed that we proceed with the parish tree survey and to ask them to specify which high trees we are legally allowed to cut back. There's reports of a tree down at the entrance to the 6 acres car park, this lead to a discussion on the ownership and management of the hedge bordering the car park.</p> <p>Environment Other The draining clearance has been done to a high standard but there is reported problems with the drainage ditch in the Church yard, this is not WPC responsibility and the problem has been reported to OCC</p> <p>Recreation & The Green The new swing seat is still waiting on delivery Two new dog waste bins have been installed A discussion was started about how to manage parking on The Green, ideas are welcome from all. ACTION Clerk to discuss with HB what elements of the repairs to the playground he could do. ACTION Clerk to ask HB to quote for a horse hitching rail to be installed outside the 6 Bells</p> <p>Greet Hall A decision is expected on the 10th March regarding our grant application from FCC Yale app now working for the clerk</p> <p>Pavillion Grace Eakin highlighted a problem with one of the doors sticking in the Pavillion ACTION JB to investigate</p> <p>Events Nothing to report</p> <p>Capital Projects Nothing to report</p> <p>Allotment The carpark is currently uneven and looks a bit overgrown ACTION JB to review if it needs more aggregate ACTION RH to ask TLG to spray with weedkiller</p>
2026/039	<p>Representations from the Public for items not on the agenda (limited to 15 minutes) Bill Oscroft reported that the Speed Awareness sign would be switched off when the tree cover made it impossible to charge the battery, and queried with OCC was installing VAS units elsewhere but not in Warborough. He also reminded people that if they had a soakaway rather than mains drainage they could get a rebate off their Thames Water bill.</p>
2026/040	<p>Planning No new planning applications</p>

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	RH went on an interesting Planning course, MH to book a place.
2026/041	<p>Community pub This project is still in scoping, and the steering committee is awaiting the valuation report. Brakspear are still actively looking for a long term tenant but the responses seem limited. It is likely that there will be an application to have the 6 Bells deemed an asset of community value to restrict the number of things that can happen to it in the short term. The discussion about the possibilities were far ranging, but until the valuation and subsequent approach to Brakspear are confirmed there was no possible conclusion. It was decided that we should apply for membership of the Plunkett Foundation who provide boilerplate structures for this type of project. ACTION MH to apply for membership and reclaim costs.</p>
2026/042	<p>Discuss prospect of a local bus service for Walborough The Clerk was approached about the viability of researching the prospect of a local bus service. The PC felt that this wasn't a priority.</p>
2026/043	<p>RFO Report DECISION (MH): All payments approved. All in favour. See Below ACTION Clerk to remove redundant people from the bank account and to request EDF return the money they're holding in account. ACTION Clerk to speak to Dorchester Fishing Club about the wording of a sign to be put up at Shillingford.</p>
2026/044	<p>Correspondence Correspondence needing attention was reviewed, correspondence not needing attention was noted</p>
2026/045	<p>Matters for report and inclusion on the next Agenda Items to the clerk by 23rd March</p>

Details from RFO report

Payments for March meeting 2026

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description of Goods</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>SCRIBE CODE</u>	<u>DD/BACS</u>
Andy White	Clerks Salary	xxxx	4010	BACS
HMRC	Clerks Tax	xxxx	4010	BACS
Aimee Barnes	Holiday pay	xxxx	4010	BACS
OALC	Membership	£312	4230	BACS
Patricia Nickson	Greet Hall consumables	£29.98	6070	BACS
Belton Landscapes Ltd	General maintenance	£322.77	5150	BACS
The Landscape Group	Ditch clearance work	Inv2166 £3564.00	5050	BACS

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		Inv2165 £1648.38 Inv2167 £2700.00 Inv2168 £8906.22		Total to pay £16,818.60 minus overpayment of £3888.90 = £12,929.70
Grace Reid	Greet Hall and Pavillion Cleaning	£288	6160	BACS
Glasdon	New Dog bins	£731.64	5130	BACS
Shield Maintenance	Dog bins	£128.70	5130	BACS
Benson Tree Services	Removal of tree	£600	5060	BACS
British Gas	Pavilion Electric	£62.80	6110	DD
Scribe	Accounting Software	£42.00	4130	DD
Gigaclear	Pavilion Internet	£36.00	4115	DD
Duocall	IT Services	£256.61	4130	DD
EDF	Greet Hall Electric	£1076.38	6010	Information only, in credit
Everflow	Water rates Allotment/Greet Hall/Pavilion	£519.31	6310/6020/6 120	DD

The next meeting will be held on Wed 1 April 2026

Meeting closed at 21:51pm