

Fenton & Torksey Lock Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council July 27th 2026

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Present:

Parish Councillors: L Davies, D Canning-Hall, P Smith, N Jupp

Clerk: Diane Semley

District Councillor: Cllr. R Pilgrim

Public Forum: One member of the public present

District Cllr. Pilgrim had sent thorough information regarding devolution and plans from WLDC via email.

These emails to be circulated to all by the Clerk.

Item:

72. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME – Cllr Davies welcomed all to the meeting

73. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllrs. T Davies & A Woods – It was **RESOLVED** to accept their reasons for absence.

74. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS – None in relation to matters on the agenda

75. MINUTES – It was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the June Ordinary meeting as a true and accurate record.

76. CLERK UPDATES - Agenda items

77. BUSINESS MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

- i. **Volunteer Policy** - It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Volunteer Policy as presented.
- ii. **Training and Development Policy** - It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the Training and Development Policy as presented.
- iii. **Delegation of Authority** - It was **RESOLVED** to delegate authority to the Clerk for the payment of invoices over the recess to ensure the continuation of Council business.
- iv. **Meeting with Krinkles** - The Clerk had met with Martin Chester from Krinkles and reviewed the grass cutting areas. Some areas in Fenton and some verges in Torksey Lock are not covered by the existing grass cutting agreement. It was **RESOLVED** to add these areas to the grass cutting contract going forward.
- v. **Land Holdings** - The Clerk presented a report on the land holding of the Parish within Fenton Fields and Addison Way. After selling off two parcels of land in 2021 & 2022 the Council were left with one parcel of land in Fenton Fields – this being the semi-circular area at the entrance to the development.

There was also an agreement that the Parish Council would take on the upkeep of the footpath between Fenton Fields and Addison Place in perpetuity.

No Land in Addison Place was conveyed to the Parish Council.

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The small parcel of land by the footpath joining Addison Place to Fenton Field was in the ownership of the developers, Loversall Estates Limited. As Loversall Estates Limited was dissolved in October 2018 the land has reverted to the Crown as ownerless property (*bona vacantia*). In cases where the land holding is of low-value, as would be the case of the small plot in the Addison Place development, the Crown is unlikely to take on the responsibility, leaving it in limbo.

It was **RESOLVED** to add the small area of land at the entrance to Fenton Fields to the grass cutting contract and look at installing 'dog mess' signs.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr. Jupp would clear the small portion of land adjacent to Addison Place.

It was **RESOLVED** to approach the owners of the property adjacent to the small patch of land in Addison Place to see if they were willing to take the said small patch of land into their curtilage.

It was **RESOLVED** to see if a dog poo bin could be sited on or around Fenton Fields.

Chestnut Corner – It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Krinkles to undertake remedial works on the shrubs and trees at Chestnut Corner. This to be done once the ground has softened up.

- vi. It was agreed to replace the old memorial wreath as previously resolved but not to hold a specific memorial service.
- vii. Trent Super Cluster – Information days – It was **RESOLVED** that councillors would attend the information days if and when they could.

78. FINANCIAL REPORTS – To receive the financial report and approve payments.

i. RFO Report 27/07/2026

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	COMMENT	NOTES
1.	Monies in bank as of 27 th July 2026	Community Account = £630.49 Savings Account = £16,547.05 Total = £17,177.54 Bank reconciled to 27/07/2026	
2.	Bank activity	Bank charges July 2026 = £4.25 Interest on savings account July 2026 = £8.17	
3.	Paid invoices & expenses	Elan City – Speed Indicator Devices - £5,615.98 (VAT £936) Zest Print – Newsletter - £69.00 LALC – CiLCA Course fee - £540.00 (VAT £90.00) Clerk – Salary - £234.51	
4.	Outstanding invoices & expenses	Krinkles – Grass cutting- £499.20 (VAT 83.20)	

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7.	Income received	None	
8.	Income outstanding	None	
9.	VAT	To date - £1,252.87	

Bank Reconciliation:

Jul-26

Balance B/fwd	01/07/2026	£869.25	£16,538.88	£17,408.13	
Income		£0.00	£8.17	£8.17	
Plus income		£869.25	£16,547.05	£17,416.30	
Expenditure		£238.76	£0.00	£238.76	
Minus expenditure		£630.49	£16,547.05	£17,177.54	check
In Bank	27/07/2026	£630.49	£16,547.05	£17,177.54	check
Diane Semley 27/07/26					

- ii. Approve payments as on payment approval form – No Payments to approve

79. PLANNING MATTERS – To consider applications and responses to planning matters – circulated prior to meeting.

- i. Application Number: WL/2026/00604 Valid Date: 06/07/2026 - Proposal: Request for confirmation of compliance with requirement 4 (Community Liaison Group) of The Gate Burton Energy Park Order 2024 (SI 807/2024) - Location: THE GATE BURTON ENERGY PARK PROJECT – It was RESOLVED to respond requesting more clarity as to what was required and how the ‘Community Group’ was to be administered.
- ii. In view of late night noise and planning application for additional accommodation it was RESOLVED that the Clerk speak to WLDC re licencing for events at the Polish Camp.

80. CORRESPONDENCE – circulated prior to meeting – No comments to make

81. ONGOING MINOR ITEMS AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Cllr. Jupp informed the meeting that £6,000 had been raised for Parkinsons UK from the open day held at the White Swan. Cllr Jupp thanked the Community for their support and the Parish Council for supporting the event through the continued donations made for the use of the meeting space.

82. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – To resolve to note the date of the next Ordinary meeting as Tuesday 21st September at the White Swan, Torksey Lock

Meeting Closed: 20.00