

WORLABY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish held on **Tuesday 3RD February 2026** at **Worlabby Village Hall**, Grange Field, Worlabby, Brigg DN20 0LZ, at **7pm**.

Present: Cllr M Speakman (Chair), Cllrs T Cave, R Bowles, M Moran, I Fowler, H Truelove

Clerk to the Council: Hannah Hepworth

Ward Cllrs: Rob Waltham

5 members of the public

Minutes

2602/01 Apologies

None

2602/02 Public Participation

The street light is still out; New Road has been fixed but the Low Road one still is not working. This will be reported again.

Clarification was given on a planning application

New Road is believed to be an adopted road but there is no footpath. The Clerk will look into this.

Footpath 140 is the old cart track road.

2602/03 Declarations of Interest

- a) To note and record declarations of interest by any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the agenda item and type of interest being declared.

2602/4/08 – Cllr Truelove Personal interest

- b) To note any dispensations granted to any member of the council in respect of the agenda items listed below

None

2602/04 Minutes of Previous meeting

Proposed: Cllr Moran, Seconded: Cllr Fowler

Resolved: The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd December 2025 were approved – unanimous

2602/05 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

Issues with potholes and streetlights have been reported.

The Clerk will contact Ward Cllrs to see if they can help with the potholes – Cllr Speakman is happy to show them round and take photos

2602/06 Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs

In December there was a notification the police were coming to do a surgery which Cllr Speakman attended. The police will attend the Parish Council meeting in June.

The police will be in attendance at the Coffee Morning in Worlabby on Tuesday 10th February.

2602/07 Report from Ward Councillors

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No report

2602/08 **Planning**

- a) To discuss planning application PA/2024/429 in respect of the building at the Wold Road / Middlegate crossroads being altered and within the PA/2024/429; there are plans and a reference to layout for a HMO. This is referred to in the NLC Environmental Health and Housing Consultation Submission
The Clerk was requested to put in a report regarding a suspected breach.
- b) To discuss planning application PA/2025/1569 Worlabby House Farm; Planning permission for the conversion of a two-storey brick barn to form 11 dwellings
Initially there was confusion in the application which has been clarified from North Lincolnshire planning.
Proposed: Cllr Cave, Seconded: Cllr Moran
Resolved: The Parish Council have no objections – unanimous
- c) To discuss and agree action (extension or extraordinary meeting) on any applications submitted after the date of the agenda published and date of meeting

2602/09 **Community Matters and Open Space Management**

- a) To receive an update regarding the Woodland Glade and Hollows and resolve any action – nothing to report.
- b) To update on works in the Jubilee Dell and resolve any action – nothing to report
- c) To receive an update report from Worlabby Recreation Committee and resolve any action – leaflets have been put out. Maintenance of the fire extinguishers and alarms has taken place. The Coffee Morning takes place every Tuesday and all are welcome.
- d) Low Villages Forum – no news and update
Low Villages Gardening Club has sadly folded and they have generously given WPC a donation of £455. This will be allocated to a living Christmas Tree on the field near the Village Hall.
A cheque has been received from JW for £150 towards a heavy duty gazebo. The Clerk will contact them and thank them.
- e) To discuss any other Community and Open Space Management matters and resolve any action
Proposed: Cllr Bowles, Seconded: Cllr Speakman
Resolved: The rodeo board will be removed from the quote at £5702.85. Cllr Bowles will speak with Proludic – unanimous
- f) To discuss and agree any actions relating to issues around car parking on the field at the Village Hall – the field has been waterlogged recently and can not be relied on for parking for large events such as Bonfire Night.

2602/10 **Risk Assessments and Safety Reports**

- a) To receive risk assessments and safety reports for play and public areas owned or managed by Worlabby Parish Council and resolve any action:
 - i) BT Kiosk, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Mike Speakman
 - ii) War Memorial, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Mike Speakman
 - iii) Flagpole, Main Street Monthly inspection Cllr Tom Cave
 - iv) Bus Stop, Low Road Monthly inspection Cllr Ian Fowler
 - v) Pleasure Ground and Play Area, Top Road Monthly inspection Cllr Tom CaveCllr Cave highlighted the issues on the report which need addressing
 - vi) Fountain Monthly inspection Cllr Mike Speakman
 - vii) Recreation Ground Weekly inspection Cllr Ian Fowler
 - viii) Woodland Glade and Hollows, The Hill Monthly inspection Peter Jones
 - ix) CCTV System Monthly inspection Cllr Richard Bowles

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2602/11 Finance

The new bank account is open. The Clerk will get access for Cllr Speakman

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Fowler

Resolved: To approve February schedule of payments to be made including Clerk Mileage, expenses, GREC £52.80 and Village Hall hire

- a) The December and January bank statements were noted
- b) The Financial Report for December and January was noted
- c) The Q3 budget reconciliation was noted
- d) The VAT 126 Q3 VAT claim was noted

Proposed: Cllr Bowles, Seconded: Cllr Moran

- e) **Resolved:** The quote for £4080 inc VAT was accepted. The Clerk will write a letter to the resident quoting the arborist report. The chips and the wood would be available for any residents in the village
- f) Grass cutting and weed control – the Clerk will attend the meeting in March. Worlaby wish for North Lincs to do the weed control.

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Bowles

Resolved: The existing contractors will continue – unanimous
The Mole contractor will not be continued. A new contractor will sourced.

2602/12 Policies

- a) To approve the Standing Orders for Worlaby Parish Council

Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Fowler

Resolved: The Standing Orders were approved – unanimous

- b) To approve the IT Policy for Worlaby Parish Council
- c) **Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Fowler**
- d) **Resolved:** The IT Policy approved – unanimous

2602/13 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

- a) Councillors to update the meeting on any progress on items not requiring decision and resolution, not otherwise detailed on the agenda.
The VJ and VE Plaque will be removed – Cllr Cave objected to this and felt strongly that we can't re-write history
- b) Matters of correspondence received since the agenda was posted
An email was received from a resident about the Recreation Ground fruit trees. The management strategy is to cut this each Autumn, unfortunately due to the weather this was not done and will be addressed when the grass is dry. The Clerk will respond to the email
- c) To receive from Councillors agenda items for the next meeting

2602/14 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

- a) To agree the date and time of the next Parish Council meeting
Tuesday 3rd March 2026

2602/15 To consider the exclusion of the public and press in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1(2) due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.

- a) To vote to exclude the press and public from the next items
Proposed: Cllr Speakman, Seconded: Cllr Truelove
Resolved: The Press and Public were asked to leave the meeting
- b) To discuss, resolve and agree any actions relating to communication

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Cllr Cave raised concerns regarding communication and will be raising a Standards Complaint with his issues.

Meeting closed: 8.30pm