



## BULCOTE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

of the Annual Parish Council Meeting on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7pm  
in The Old School Building, Burton Joyce

**Present:** Councillors; Nick Leaves (NL), Mick Tobin (MT), Paul Mountain (PM), Rob Anderton (RA) and Victoria Shillaker (VS).

**In Attendance:** Terri Dixon (Clerk incoming, TD), Cllr Roger Jackson (RJ) and Cllr Tim Wendells (TW) – present for Annual Parish meeting onwards

Min/Yr	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
	<b>Representation from the Public:</b> 2 members of the public present.
<b>001/25 Apologies</b>	All Councillors present. LJ Campbell (Outgoing Clerk unable to attend)
<b>002/25 Elect a Chairman</b>	NL Chair VS Deputy by unanimous decision
<b>003/25 To adopt Statutory Documents</b>	All documents circulated electronically prior to the meeting: a. All Councillors accept Standing Orders b. All Councillors accept Code of Conduct – to be signed annually c. All Councillors accept Financial Regulations
<b>004/25 Clerk Changes</b>	At the Annual Meeting of the Parish we presented a card and flowers to the outgoing Clerk LJ Campbell – thank you again for your hard work over the last 5+ years. TD provided details of the handover process – banking handover is ongoing however TD now has all hard copy and online archives for Bulcote PC and has made contact with the auditor David Dixon. LJ left that meeting early and has been unable to stay for the APCM.
<b>005/25 Declarations</b>	None declared.
<b>006/25 Minutes of previous meeting</b>	The minutes of the meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2025 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
<b>007/25 Matters arising</b>	Covered on the agenda
<b>008/25 Reports from District and County Council</b>	TW: reported on 3 possible options for joining of Councils – The final decision from Gov will be made after November. Local elections will follow this c.2028 and District Councillors elections will be in 2 years. Boundaries would stay the same but noted that one option would include Burton Joyce as City and Bulcote would stay within County. Consultation will be sought. A lower council tax increase was requested to NSDC and passed. Saves money down the line with upcoming changes.

	<p>Congratulations to RJ in the recent County Council Elections</p> <p>To note there is an alert from National Anti-Fraud re: 'Premises Annual License Fee' scam within the district involving a phone call claiming to be NSDC – please hang up the phone and call NSDC directly to check if legitimate.</p> <p>RJ: New County Council administration of Reform following elections - full meeting of the Council later this week to discuss structure – more details at the next meeting.</p> <p>RJ is working on the light up directional sign into the village.</p>
<b>009/25 Local Road Issues</b>	A612 Crossing completed – positive feedback from residents.
<b>010/25 Finance</b>	<p><b>a. Reconciliation of Accounts:</b> As of 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025 the PC has a total of £23435.92 in the Unity Trust Bank account.</p> <p><b>b. Payments for authorisation:</b> payments totaling £531.35.13 were authorised for payment – gardener invoice, Clerk's wages, service charge.</p> <p><b>c. To note payments received:</b> £200 NSDC, £5,500 NSDC, £1150 Via Highways</p> <p><b>d. To approve and sign the AGAR Exemption Certificate for year 2024-25:</b> The form was not available for signing at the meeting but has been signed by the Chair and Clerk between this meeting and approval of these minutes.</p>
<b>011/25 Community matters</b>	<p>a. Update on Flooding issues: discussed at length at the Annual Parish Meeting – Via has been clearing the water course under the A612 today. Via have current remits to clear 2 culverts around The Paddock and West Walls. Public raised concerns about clearing of the culverts now causing water to rush through and cause erosion. Update required re: footpath up from Bulcote Church</p> <p>b. Village Hall update: Work must begin on the site before July 11<sup>th</sup> otherwise planning permission lapses. No updates to provide for today's meeting.</p> <p>c. Ropers Field – will be mowed within a fortnight. PM to arrange.</p> <p>d. Litter Picking – covered in APM – this is not needed at present and will be reviewed later in Autumn</p> <p>e. History Society are updating the historical notice board and they are asking for financial input - £100 approved from all councillors in today's meeting. NL to message society.</p> <p>f. Need to get quote from village gardener for getting soil and vegetation from new pedestrian crossing and church. NL to message gardener</p>
<b>012/25 Planning</b>	<p><b>Applications:</b></p> <p>a. 25/00667/NMA – Orchard House, Old Main Road – Amendment to previous permitted planning 23/01148/FUL</p> <p><b>No objections to the application.</b></p> <p>b. 25/00695/HPRIOR – Tawny Lodge, Old Main Road – Single storey rear extension</p> <p><b>4 Councillors offer no objections and 1 abstain due to nature of neighbouring property.</b></p> <p><b>Decisions:</b> Certificate of lawfulness and tree felling only.</p>

	<b>To receive Bulcote Farm development update:</b> Planning Permission runs out on July 11 <sup>th</sup> 2025 – sale has still not gone through. Development would need to commence before this date.
<b>013/25 Correspondence</b>	All other correspondence has been circulated electronically, nothing requiring action from the PC.
<b>014/25 Any Other Business</b>	None.
<b>015/25 To Note</b>	<b>Next meetings:</b> The next meeting will be held on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 7pm at The Old School Building, Burton Joyce. Next agenda:
<b>016/25 Close</b>	There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting closed at 19h46.

*Terri Dixon, Clerk to Bulcote Parish Council*