

BULCOTE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 14th July 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, TD) and Cllr Tim Wendells (TW arrived 19:00)

Min/Yr	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
017/25 Apologies	All Councillors present. District County Councillor Roger Jackson sends their apologies.
018/25 Declarations	None declared.
019/25 Minutes of previous meetings	 a. Minutes from Full Council meeting held on 19th May have been agreed and signed. b. Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19th May have been agreed and signed.
020/25 Matters Arising	 Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting: NL has emailed RJ about the village potholes – It has been confirmed there will be no improvements to roads whilst Bulcote Farm Development is ongoing due to heavy traffic through the village. Trees on village green – NL emailed highways to understand process – awaiting response NL to email Burton Joyce Parish Council re: path beyond the church in Bulcote, up to Burton Joyce boundary. TD to photograph planning application seen in the village re: boreholes at Severn Trent Pumping Station– NL to then forward onto Burton Joyce Parish Council for further discussion.
021/25 To adopt Statutory Documents	Documents have not been printed and therefore are not available to sign today. Confirmation given that all Councillors have seen and agree to the Statutory Documents which have been circulated electronically: Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Councillor Code of Conduct. Agenda item moved to next meeting in September 2025.
022/25 Public Forum	No members of the public were present.
023/25 Representations from District and County Council	Councillor Tim Wendells provided the following update: • A first submission of the Local Government reorganisation planning has been submitted however multiple options will be submitted by November – not limited to the three suggested options so far. Concerns for our area include money being spent in Notts City

- and not within 'County'. It is expected that community boundaries will stay the same but could there be a review of this in the future?
- Announcement by N&SDC of weekly kerbside food waste collection to begin in October 2027
- N&SDC are looking at Local Development Plan Strategic Housing and Employment
 Land Availability assessment (SHELAA) asking for suggestions of land for development
 <u>TD to send this bulletin to Councillors after meeting</u> as it had not arrived in Clerk inbox
 for Bulcote.

TW exited meeting 19:21

024/25 Local Road Issues

- a. Highways and footpaths
- The path behind the church is not currently sign posted nothing being done at present to correct this due to footpath closure which is being investigated further.
- Ropers Field has been cut invoice issued and to be paid in due course.

025/25 Finance

- **a. Reconciliation of Accounts**: As of 30th June 2025, the PC has a total of £21714.34 in the Unity Trust Bank account.
- **b. Payments for authorisation**: payments totaling £1898.35 were authorised today for payment since the last meeting in May.
- c. To note payments received: £0
- **d. To review return of accounts dated 2024-25:** TD disseminated feedback from Internal Auditor all items have been acted upon and noted for future submissions.
- **e.** Authorise bank Standing Order for both Clerk's wages and gardening services: Wages for gardener approved for March October 2025 inclusive as an ongoing Standing Order.

Clerk's salary – NL proposed averaging out wages across the year as hours per month varies, then setting up standing order – which was agreed by full Council. This will be set for ongoing payments of July 2025 – March 2026 inclusive. Any expenses will be submitted as an invoice as usual.

026/25 Community matters

- a. Update on Flooding -
 - NL met with Ross Marshall (NCC Flood Team) on 11th June outcome of meeting is that money from the Natural Flood Management funds should be put towards the farm area which has been identified as the most useful way to aid the flood prevention for Bulcote this money will not be spent elsewhere in Bulcote.

Trash filters near to the Church are getting blocked – Ross M reported these are annually inspected and if reported as blocked they will attend and unblock. Councillors raised concerns over the trash filters – difficult to see and design is not useful - NL to raise this with NCC Flood Team.

Flood resilience – Flood team at NCC and Conservation Teams at N&SDC are still considering improvements to individual housing for flood prevention – this is an ongoing project - NL to email Conservation Team (Oliver S)

Water Course rear of the Ridings – partially culverted by some residents which is causing flooding. Ross M has been in touch with residents to dig out the culverted parts and work is ongoing.

- b. Village Hall updates no updates
- c. Village handyman/gardener update Councillor raised if the hedge next to Christmas tree could be possibly thinned out please? <u>NL to contact Adam</u>
- d. Notice boards Locks have been changed and many spare keys obtained. Spinney notice board needs a clean TD has been in touch with Street Scenes to discuss further ongoing.

	e. Bulcote information board – This has been updated – thank you to the Burton Joyce & Bulcote History Society for organising and completing the works. f. Christmas Tree electricity supply update (MT) £2647 was the quote from 2 years ago from Via to put in a power supply next to the tree. This quote has been requested again – MT is awaiting reply. If a new quote is received before the next meeting – of £2500 + VAT then the full council have approved costs of new supply. If it costs more than this MT to communicate with Councillors before the next meeting in September. MT to order feed pillar to be installed with support from TD. Low voltage lights needed for decoration and MT has obtained quotation of suitable options – PM will pass these onto the social committee with a budget of £200 for new lights.
027/25 Planning	Applications: a. 25/00966/S73M – Bulcote Farm, Old Main Road Bulcote NG14 5HA Full council voted unanimously to object to the application – material reasons relating to access to site being restricted and an increased number of bedrooms in the properties will lead to increased numbers of residents with a proportional increase in traffic which is undesirable. Additionally, parking proposals for the properties are inadequate for the proposed size increase. TD has submitted this objection to N&SDC on writing these minutes. b. 25/00875/DISCON – Redmays, Redmays Drive Bulcote NG14 5GZ No objections to the application. Decisions: none To consider any planning applications published after the agenda: none
028/25 Statutory Policies and Procedures	 a. Risk Matrix completed and discussed with full Council: <u>TD to investigate current insurance</u> in place and send to all Councillors Risk Matrix will be reviewed at each election cycle b. Website, domain and email addresses: Case made for website improvements and movement to a .gov.uk email address for Parish Council use. Full council agreed to fund the change of website provider and email addresses. This project is expected to take around 6 months to put in place. c. ICO registration and data management policies: Case made as to the need to register annually for ICO membership. Full Council agreed to register to ICO – <u>TD to work on data management policies.</u>
029/25 Correspondence	All other correspondence has been circulated electronically, nothing requiring action from the PC.
030/25 Any Other Business	None.
031/25 To Note	Next meetings : The next meeting will be held on Monday 16 th September 2025 at 7pm at The Old School Building, Burton Joyce.
016/25 Close	There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting closed at 20h34.