



# WALKERN Parish Council

To: Cllrs Christine Nudds, David Standing, RFO Reg Marjason, Mike Allingham, Paul Warner, Michele Rist (Chair).

**Walkern Parish Council Meeting  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Walkern Sports & Community Centre at 7.00pm**

## MINUTES

### 1. Attendance

Cllrs Christine Nudds, David Standing, RFO Reg Marjason, Paul Warner, Michele Rist (Chair), Abi Brown (Clerk), Nigel Bennett (WSCC)

### 2. Apologies

Cllr Allingham

### 3. Declaration of Interest

None

### 4. Minutes

Minutes of Walkern Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were approved. Cllr Marjason proposed to approve the minutes which was seconded by Cllr Standing. Cllr Rist signed the minutes.

### 5. Matters arising from Minutes

Cllr Rist obtained the planning reference number for the proposed planning along the river Beane (3-25-1656-FUL-Propose)

### 6. Public Issues

None

### 7. Chair/Clerk Updates

Clerk advised that the transfer of land in Froghall Lane has now been completed and has been passed to Land Registry to complete the transfer of title. This will need adding to our asset register and adding to our public liability insurance.

**Action: Clerk**

Clerk has collected documents from the archives and is currently in the process of sorting through what is required to keep.

### 8. Planning

3/25/0271/FUL – Winters Lane – 4 dwellings – no further response

LPA Appeal Reference: 26/00008/REFUSE – Rooks Nest Farm – Cllr Marjason will create a response to Secretary of State

**Action: Cllr Marjason**



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3/21/2766/HH – 66 High Street, Walkern – Materials specification documents have now been uploaded on EHDC website to view.

Clerk to chase the status of demolition of garage with EHDC planning

**Action: Clerk**

## 9. Rota for St Mary's Church

Cllr Rist received an email to make the Parish Council aware that the church are considering opening the church at the weekends during day light hours after receiving numerous requests. The church has come up with a rota as to who will open and lock up each weekend.

## 10. WSCC Update

A meeting was held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January to discuss the new contract between the Parish Council and the WSCC. A follow up meeting will be arranged in the near future. The WSCC have had a volunteer, Gill Wilson, to take over as Treasurer. Documents requested by Unity Trust have been sent and the bank account should be set up shortly. Nigel suggested looking at the potential of solar panels on the south facing side of the WSCC roof. It is possible that the gates at the WSCC carpark need replacing. Clerk to find out if any S106 monies would be available.

**Action: Clerk**

## 11. Finance

RFO circulated finance reports prior to the meeting. There were no queries.

Clerk requested that the payroll provider be given permission to pay the pension contributions on behalf of Walkern Parish Council. Clerk to initiate this process.

**Action: Clerk**

## 12. WPC Calendar

Monthly tasks were reviewed.

Clerk to check with WSCC that gas safety inspection has been completed.

**Action: Clerk**

The kissing gate by the WSCC is broken and needs repairing. Once the weather is better the Parish Council will speak to a local contractor to repair the gate.

## 13. Communications

Police report was received and reviewed.

Affinity water have sent a letter to all residents regarding a road closure up towards Box Wood due to needing to do essential maintenance.

The Clerk has received communication from Ringway Infrastructure Services regarding replacing the lamp in the lamp post near to the WSCC. They will be providing a quote for a new LED lamp as the old style is no longer available.

The Wilder Walkern leaflets have been distributed to residents and the Parish Council agreed on a date of Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March for the kick-off meeting. Clerk to book WSCC.

**Action: Clerk**

Meeting closed: 20:40