

Notton Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday the 2nd July 2026 at 7:30 pm
in Notton Village Hall.

Present: J Hicks (Chair) S Jaggar, P Taylor, D Pywell and M Callaghan.

In attendance: A Woodhead (Clerk) Ward Councillor Watkins.

Members of the public: none.

48/0726- To receive comments or questions from members of the public attending.

No public in attendance.

49/0726- To consider Apologies and reasons for absence

Apologies and reasons for absence from Cllrs Ashton and Ashton noted.

50/0726- To receive any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests appertaining to the agenda.

None.

51/0726- To receive parish information from District Councillors/inform the District Councillors of Parish issues.

i)-Cllr Watkins reported that work to support the consideration of a Pedestrian Crossing from the Village Hall to the Green on George Lane was still ongoing.

ii)-The electronic speed indicator signs reported as not working properly are being investigated, a more precise location was requested for the defective sign at Old Royston. Information was passed to Cllr Watkins.

iii)-Average speed tests undertaken in the village had reported slower than expected speeds.

iv)-Fly tipping on Smawell Lane had been checked and was currently not the issue it had been in the past, however it was requested that should this change photographs are sent to Ward Councillors as soon as possible so that the issue can be resolved.

v)-Parish Councillors requested that a new street name plate be fitted at the A61 end of George Lane as the old one has gone missing.

vi)-A litter pick could be undertaken on the A61 as it had yet to take place and litter only encourages more litter.

vii)-Verges at the top of Notton Lane after Grimpit Hill require cutting back as stinging nettles have grown across the footpath, the road gutters also need cleaning in the same area as the gutters are also full of plant growth.

viii)-With regards to Capital Grants it was noted that the Clerk would send details of the Notton Gateway project proposal and costs to Ward Councillors for information.

ix)-Cllr Watkins was thanked for her report, and Ward Councillors work on behalf of Notton Parish Council.

52/0726- To confirm the minutes of the Notton Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 4th June as a true and accurate record.

Resolved to accept the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Notton Parish Council held on the 4th June 2026 as a true and accurate record.

53/0726- Highways Matters

a)- Cllr Jaggar presented a proposal to increase safety at the George Lane/ A61/New Road.

RESOLVED that the proposal be sent to Ward Councillors asking that the proposal be put forward to highways.

b)-Items covered under 51/0726 (viii)

54/0726- Planning Matters

Noted that the only planning matter for this meeting is-

26/00728/FUL 8A Ingswell Drive, Extension to side and rear; refused.

55/0726- Financial Matters

a)-To approve accounts for payment for June 2026

RESOLVED that the following items be authorised for payment

PAYMENTS		Jun-26	
Date	Item	Payee	£
02/07/2026	Wages	A Woodhead	277.71
02/07/2026	Tax & NI	HMRC	69.60
02/07/2026	Newsletter	Lindleys	225.00
03/07/2026	Tree removal	JRA Limited (30%)	144.00
03/07/2026	Tree removal	JRA Limited (70%)	336.00
Total (Awaiting Payment 'D')			1,052.31

b)-To receive information on receipts and expenditure

Resolved to accept the information on receipts and expenditure as presented.

c)-To receive the Bank Reconciliation

Resolved to accept the following Bank Reconciliation.

Bank Reconciliation

Cash brought forward from 2025-2026

	£
	10299.79
Income to date 'A'	17388.00

	Total	27687.79
	Expenditure to date	
Notton Parish Council	'B'	6521.15
	Current Balance	21166.64
Date 24th June 2026		
STATEMENT NUMBER after 275	Bank Balance	22218.95
to 21st June 2026	Awaiting payment 'D'	1052.31
	Balance	21166.64
Rugby & Hinkley Building Society	90 day notice account	10000.00
	Total	31166.64

d)- To receive the current spend to budget

The current spend to budget was presented to the Council, noted.

e)- To consider the proposed three year budget forecast 2026-2029

The Clerk presented the three year budget proposal to Council.

RESOLVED to approve the proposed three year budget figures.

56/0726- To consider correspondence and take action where necessary.

a)-The following correspondence was noted:

- YLCA Managing Conflict in Council Meetings
- New Training Courses
- Weekly Lists 17 June 2026 (Planning)
- Weekly Lists 22 June 2026 (Planning)
- Weekly Lists 9 June 2026 (Planning)

b)- Return of Insurance Questionnaire

It was noted that the annual Insurance questionnaire had been completed and returned.

c)- Response to questions from External Audit

It was noted that a response had been sent to the External Auditor regarding the Councils accounts for 2025-26 and 2024-25.

57/0726- Grounds Maintenance

a)- An issue regarding the grass cutting on land behind the Cricket Pitch was brought to the Council by Cllr Jaggar. Noted that the land in question belongs to the Village Hall and the issue needed to be raised with them, noted.

b)-No other items to report this meeting

58/0726- Allotments

a)-Cllr Taylor reported that he had undertaken an allotments check and that there were no issues to report. Cllr Taylor was thanked for the report.

b)- Noted that the period for payment on allotment invoices has been changed from 40 days to 30 days on the recommendation of our internal auditor.

59/0726- Governance

a)- To consider the updated Public statement on level of reserves increasing level from three months to nine months of Precept to align the statement with current practice.

RESOLVED to adopt the amended Statement on level of reserves increasing the level to nine months Precept.

b)- To consider the Notton Parish Council Grievance & Disciplinary Policies

RESOLVED to accept Notton Parish Council Grievance & Disciplinary Policies as current for the Council's needs.

c)- To consider Notton Parish Council Records Management Policy

RESOLVED to accept Notton Parish Council Records Management Policy as current for the Council's needs.

d)- To consider page two of the internal audit report

Noted that items 55/0726(e), 59/0726(a) and 62/0726(a) covered the items on page two of the internal audit report.

60/0726- To receive information on the community spending (CIL) and other projects and agree action.

No CIL items this meeting.

61/0726- To receive an update on the Police safe scheme report

No report this meeting.

62/0726- To consider Parish Matters

a)- To consider the Parish Council Website and inboxes and any action required.

It was noted that the period where there had been issues with the Council's Website and inboxes had been explained by the provider and the issue has been resolved.

RESOLVED to continue with the current provider and review the service in six months.

b)- To ask Ward Councillors if the Capital Grants Programme is to continue.

Item covered under 51/0726(viii).

c)- To consider the request for outdoor gym equipment in the Parish

The member of public who raised the item is looking at equipment, costs and funding options, no report for this meeting.

d)- Urgent item

RESOLVED to suspend standing orders to allow an urgent matter to be considered, so as to remove a liability and health and safety issue.

RESOLVED to accept and pay on the terms as set out, the quote from JRA Limited to fell two dead trees on the Green in order to prevent them falling across the road or on to nearby property, made more urgent due to the hot and currently windy weather. The Clerk was instructed to place the order. Noted that a second quote had been gained for this work. The cost of £400 on Quote 00855 accepted.

63/0726- Date and time of next meeting

RESOLVED that the next meeting of Notton Parish Council will be held on Thursday the 3rd September 2026 at 7.30pm in Notton Village Hall.

Agenda items

- Barnsley Road (A61) George Lane, New Road Junction
- Notton Gateway project
- Website content
- Items from page three of the internal audit report.

Meeting Closed at 8:55pm.