

Lower Bullingham Parish Council



Minutes of The Parish Council Meeting of Lower Bullingham Parish Council Held on Tuesday 1st July 2025 at 7.30pm at Dinedor Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr Nigel Jones, , Cllr Barbara Frankham, Cllr Andrew Fisher,
& Cllr Adam Smith

In Attendance: Parish Clerk Kath Greenow & Ward Cllr Dave Davies

1.Apologies

Cllr Neil Barrington & Cllr Cat Hornsey.

The Clerk advised that Cllr Gill Bastin had tendered her resignation ,and the Clerk has advised HFDC electoral services of the vacancy.

2. To receive declarations of interest on agenda items and any dispensation requests

None declared.

3. To approve & sign the minutes of The Parish Council meeting Tuesday 3rd June 2025.

It was **RESOLVED:** to approve & sign the minutes of The Parish Council meeting Tuesday 3rd June 2025.

4. Public forum: Members of the public may raise subjects they wish to bring to the attention of the parish council. (Restricted to 10 minutes)

No members of the public present

5. Lengthsman

5.1 To consider any work or the lengthsman.

No further work identified. The Clerk was asked to contact Welsh Water concerning a water pipe that is located in the ditch at the bottom of Ridgehill road. as the lengthsman was unable to clean the ditch out due to the positioning and the height of the pipe which was located in the ditch .

6. Parish Footpaths

6.1 To consider Parish Footpaths maintenance work required in the parish.

It was **RESOLVED:** to ask the lengthsman to attend to the cutting back of overgrown vegetation along footpaths LOB2 & LOB7

7.Highways.

7.1 To consider road issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty.

Potholes -Redbook Bridge, top of Ridgehill. The road along Dinedor pitch is in need of repair as the edges of the road are eroding away and there are a number of large potholes along it . The Clerk would log these on HFDC website.

Over grown hedgerows encroaching onto the highway need to be cut back as they were causing a road safety issue along Holme Lacy road pavement between The Forge and the PC noticeboard. Redbrook bridge leading up Wonder hill on both sides of the road also need cutting back.

- . 7.2 To consider correspondence from Wyescapes re Information on Countryside Access required.
It was **RESOLVED:** to respond to the questions in the correspondence from Wyescapes on Countryside Access

8. Bus shelter at Junction of Ridgehill & Hoarwithy Road

- 8.1 To consider response from HFDC public transport officer regarding refurbishment / replacement of the Bus shelter

The Clerk advised that she had contacted a HFDC transport officer who had advise that they are currently collating data on shelters that need refurbishing and replacing across the county, in readiness for a set of works to be conducted. The bus shelter has been added to the project list but as yet they don't have a set start time , as they are awaiting funding from the DfT.. The Clerk was asked to go back to the officer to ask that the PC are kept informed with regard to funding available for refurbishment

- 8.2 To consider the quotes for refurbishment of the bus shelter roof.

the Clerk advised that she had obtained another quote from a roofing company .

It was **RESOLVED:** to defer making a decision on which quote to accept until further information had been received from HFDC with regard to the refurbishment of the bus shelter.

9. Finance

- 9.1 To note the finance & bank reconciliation reports – 30/06/2025.

The finance & Bank Reconciliation reports were considered for 30/06/2025 and it was **RESOLVED:** to approve them.

- 9.2 To consider invoices for payment :

Eyelid productions (website support) invoice 3954 £100.00 no vat

No payment was made to Eyelid Productions as this had already been approved at Aprils meeting and had been paid.

It was **RESOLVED:** to pay:

Terry Griffiths Contracts Amenities day invoice TGC 3285 £341.00+vat of £68.20 total = £409.20

Terry Griffiths Contracts Standard Maintenance day invoice TGC3284 £481.95 + vat of £96.39 total =£578.34

- 9.3 To consider Invoices for payment from Terry Griffiths Contracts relating to The HFDC

Local Drainage Grant Scheme 2024/25

It was **RESOLVED:** to pay the invoices from Terry Griffiths Contracts relating to The HFDC Local Drainage Grant Scheme 2024/25

Terry Griffiths Contracts invoice TGC3330 (job ref LB005)£500.00 +vat of £100.00 total =£600.00

Terry Griffiths Contracts invoice TGC3277 (job ref LB006) £2500.00 + vat of £500.00 total = £3000.00

Terry Griffiths Contracts invoice TGC 3329(job ref LB001) £800.00 + vat of £160.00 total = £960.00

Terry Griffiths Contracts invoice TGC3331 (job ref LB003) £850.00 + vat of £170.00 total = £1020.00.

9.4 To approve payment of Clerks salary July 2025 & August 2025(when due) & paye to HMRC for months 2,3&4 (when due)

It was **RESOLVED**: to approve payment of Clerks salary July 2025 & August 2025(when due) & paye to HMRC for months 2,3&4 (when due)

10. Planning

10.1 To consider commenting on Planning application:251237 Rotherwas Trading Estate at building 430, Tywford Road, Lower Bullingham, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 6JR All others Prior Approval Application to determine if prior approval is required for the removal of existing 20m monopole supporting 3 no. antennas and proposed installation of replacement 22.5m monopole supporting 6 no. antennas, 1no. 300mm dish, 1 no. equipment cabinet, 1 no. electric meter cabinet and ancillary development thereto including 18 no. ERSs on mast and 2m palisade fence.

It was **RESOLVED**: to Support the application.

10.2 To consider commenting on Planning application242558 - Land to the south of Lower Bullingham, west of the Rotherwas Industrial Estate, north of the Rotherwas, Hereford, HR2 6JW

Description: The first phase of an urban extension (known as the Southern Urban Expansion in the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy) comprising up to 540 homes (Use Class C3); employment land (Use Class B and E), local centre and a country park together with supporting public open space, and all other associated works (e.g. demolition of existing industrial buildings, drainage, landscaping and ground modelling). All matters are reserved for future consideration save for 'access'. Only the means of access into the site is sought as part of this outline application, not the internal site access arrangements.

It was **RESOLVED**: to Object to the application due to the lack of infrastructure to support the additional traffic

11. Future of Neighbourhood Planning Support Services:

11.1 It was **RESOLVED**: that Lower Parish Council acknowledges that: Neighbourhood planning empowers local communities to shape the development and growth of their areas through the creation of Neighbourhood Plans. The preparation of Neighbourhood Plans requires significant time, expertise, and financial resources, often placing a burden on parish and town councils. Neighbourhood Plans contribute to more democratic, locally-informed planning decisions and support the delivery of sustainable development aligned with community needs and aspirations.

Therefore it was **RESOLVED**: to

1. Call upon His Majesty's Government to provide increased and sustained funding to support the development, review, and implementation of Neighbourhood Plans.
2. Request that the Government ensures funding is accessible to all communities, to promote inclusivity and fairness in the planning process.
3. Write to Jesse Norman MP and the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities, and Local Government to communicate this resolution and advocate for enhanced support for neighbourhood planning

12. Correspondence

12.1 To note correspondence since last PC Meeting.

All correspondence had been sent to Cllrs prior to the meeting.

13. Matters raised for consideration for placing on the next meeting's agenda.

(No discussion)

None.

11. Next Parish council Meeting -Tuesday 2nd September 7.30pm at Dinedor Village Hall

Signed..... Dated.....

Chairman Lower Bullingham Parish Council