

# Little Melton Parish Council

# MINUTES

Mon 06/01/2025 - 19:30, at the Village Hall - There are links to supporting documentation

## Attendance

| PC members  |              |             |                  |          |        |                   | County C'llor | District Councillors |               |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|----------|--------|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Chair       | Vice Chair   |             |                  |          |        |                   |               |                      |               |
| John Heaser | Russell Cole | Tim Eagle   | Ricky Wallsworth | Jan Edye | vacant | Steve Sophocleous | David Bills   | John Morland         | Kathryn Cross |
| JH          | RC           | TE          | RW               | JE       |        | SS                | DB            | JM                   | KC            |
| <i>Y</i>    | <i>apol</i>  | <i>apol</i> | <i>Y</i>         | <i>Y</i> |        | <i>Y</i>          | <i>apol</i>   | <i>apol</i>          | <i>Y</i>      |

- To consider apologies for absence - *see above*
  - Co option of Jo Read
    - Proposed JE, seconded SS*
- Declarations of interest in items on the agenda by Parish Councillors
  - None*
- To confirm the [minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25/11/2024](#)
  - Proposed SS, seconded JH*
- Public Participation - To consider a motion to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public and the District/County Councillors an opportunity to inform the meeting
  - KC explained the plans for recycling of food waste*
- Planning
  - Parish Council Recommendation
    - [Local Plan](#) - VCHAP consultation 12/08 to 07/10/2024
    - [2024/1801](#) - Land North Of Laburnum Cottage Green Lane, Reserved matters - *requested measures to stop gravel from washing onto the road*
    - [2024/2387](#) - Garden Centre, Watton Road - Change of use to facilitate siting of mobile home - *commented about visibility and speed problems at junction*
    - [2024/2384](#) - New basketball pad & car park extension
  - Decisions
  - Withdrawn - then reinstated
    - [2022/1422](#) - Conversion of existing cattle outbuildings to 6 residential dwellings | Church Farm Market Lane Great Melton - *plans have been amended in 11/2024*

6. Parish Facilities–
  - a. Play area maintenance
    - i. Skate ramp refurb - *SS*
      1. *SS to send detailed photos of condition to supplier for comment*
  - b. Tenders have been sought for -
    - i. replacement of basketball hoop and pad, MB is seeking planning permission
    - ii. Car park - extension. Soak away relocation. Verbal permission granted by GM Estates
  - c. Works outstanding
    - i. window reseal - west corner leaked during wet weather - builder will examine when he fits Velux
    - ii. replace Velux windows - windows are at hall, awaiting installation
  - d. Limes Close - Swale maintenance & wildflower area
  - e. Doctor's surgery
    - i. *KC talked about plans for the new surgery, site still to be determined. No pharmacy will be provided, members expressed concern that this will lead to parking problems at Boots on Queens Rd.*
  - f. Review grounds maintenance contract
  - g. Hall maintenance - growing list - contractor needed
7. Highways –
  - a. NCC Highways requests
    - i. 20mph zone on SL - Highways consultation - VAS changes
    - ii. Village Name sign is tied into 20mph zone
    - iii. Parking on roads and pavements near the shop - H marks - discuss with DB
    - iv. [Other items](#)
    - v. Rangers visit
    - vi. 2 grit bins in poor condition - DB to investigate if NCC can provide in bulk for all parishes
  - b. Village Hall road - [ownership and maintenance](#)
    - i. Response from SNC 06/11
  - c. Cycle path on Hethersett Lane.
  - d. Cycle path on Burnthouse Lane - PC to identify land owners
    - i. *The road is in a poor state and dangerous for cyclists, action requested from Highways. Additional car traffic because of withdrawal of school bus - DB to be asked to comment on school bus provision*
8. Financial
  - a. [Precept](#) 2025/2026
    - i. *Proposed RW, seconded JE*
  - b. Payments since last meeting
    - i. *Proposed SS, seconded RW*
9. Next meeting
  - a. Parish meeting - Monday 03/03/2025 - 19:30 at the Village Hall
  - b. PC meeting - Monday 05/05/2025 - 19:30 at the Village Hall

Signed *J.D.Heaser* (Chair) Date 10/05/2025