NORTON CANES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes attend the Meeting of the Parish Council on **Wednesday 15th April 2026** commencing at 7 p.m. **at Norton Canes Library, Burntwood Road, Norton Canes** which the business set out below will be transacted.

Present: Cllrs. D Pickin (Vice Chairman)
T Wilson K Fereday
B Farbrother A Kirk
C Bickley M Holder
D Bilbie J Bridgen

Arrived Late due to CCDC Meeting Cllrs. J Hill
J Preece

Also in attendance: Parish Clerk Ginetta Adams

3 Members of the public

2026-45	**E1**	**Election of Chairman** To elect the Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year. **Cllr D Pickin was proposed** **Proposed Cllr A Kirk** **Seconded Cllr B Farbrother** **Resolved by unanimous vote Cllr D Pickin voted as Chairman**
2026-46	**E2**	**To receive the Chairman's Declaration of acceptance of office.** **Cllr D Pickin read out the declaration, the Chairman and the Clerk signed the acceptance to office.**
2026-47	**E3**	**Vice Chairman of the Council** To appoint the Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year. **Cllr B Farbrother was proposed for Vice Chair** **Proposed Cllr J Bridgen** **Seconded Cllr D Bilbie** **Resolved by unanimous vote Cllr B Farbrother voted as Vice Chairman**
2026-48	**E4**	**To receive the Vice Chairman's Declaration of acceptance of office** **Cllr B Farbrother read out the declaration, the Vice Chairman and the Clerk signed the acceptance to office.**

Public Participation – 30 Minutes.

Millenium Garden – Hedge by the bus shelter needs cutting back.

Hedge on Hednesford Road – the Hedge on the Hednesford Road by the pools is overgrown onto the pavement – this is the County Council – email to be sent to County councillor Dan Cecil.

Double Yellow Lines outside the Barbers – These have now been installed but cars are still parking on them, can there be reinforcement in the area – Cllr D Pickin to email County Councillor dan Cecil.

Minute Reference	Item	Agenda Item
2026-49	1	**Apologies** To receive any apologies that may be forthcoming. Cllrs S Thompson J Preece R Wilkinson J Hill
2026-50	2	**Declarations of Interests** To note any declarations of interests **None**
2026-51	3	**Minutes and Matters Arising from the Full Council meeting held on Wednesday 15th April 2026.** To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15th April 2026. **Proposed Cllr B Farbrother** **Seconded Cllr A Kirk** **Resolved by unanimous vote, Minutes are a true and accurate record**
2026-52	4	**Highways** To receive an update. **Potholes have been filled on junction of Brownhills Road and Red Lion Lane and outside Jerome School.** **Washbrook Lane – Newhall Farm Hedge needs cutting.** **Washbrook Lane island – need replacement grip surface.** **Washbrook Lane – The APC lorries are cutting through, this has created another large pothole – Cllr D Cecil to be emailed.**
2026-53 2026-53.5.1	5	**Clerks Report** To receive a report from the Clerk. 1. To request to purchase bin stores from CIL. **Proposed Cllr B Farbrother** **Seconded Cllr A Kirk** **Resolved by unanimous vote for the Clerk to purchase 2 wheely bin stores for the side of the building for litter picking.**
2026-54	6	**Reports From Committees**
2026-55	6a	**Planning** To consider planning applications/decisions (summary attached) **No matter arising**
2026-56	6b	**Projects** To consider any matters relating to ongoing projects. **No Matters arising**
2026-57	6c	**Audit and Governance** To consider matters arising **Councillors were requested to accept the letter from the auditor Kim Squires accepting her auditing services** **Proposed Cllr D Bilbie** **Seconded Cllr M Holder** **Resolved by unanimous vote auditor Kim Squires accepted.**

2026-58 | **6E** | **Committees of Council**

To elect the members of the following Committees

Committees/Working Groups	Membership
Planning Committee	Following a discussion from councillors to was decided to dissolve the planning committee due to lack of committee meetings and all issues are discussed at the full council meeting.
Village Enhancement and Projects Committee	Cllrs D Pickin B Farbrother C Bickley A Kirk S Thompson D Bilbie
Events Working Group	Cllrs D Pickin B Farbrother C Bickley A Kirk S Thompson D Bilbie
Audit and Governance Committee	Cllrs D Pickin B Farbrother C Bickley T Wilkinson M Holder K Faraday
Highways Working Group	Cllrs S Thompson A Kirk
Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group	Cllrs B Farbrother T Wilson
Clerks Notes	

2026-59 | **6D** | **Appointment of representatives on Outside Bodies**

Committee/Group/Organisation	**Current Membership**
Poplars Liaison Committee	**Cllr S Thompson**
Standards Committee	**Cllr A Kirk**
Norton Canes Community Centre	**Cllr D Bilbie**
AONB	**As Needed**
Dr Chandra's Patient Liaison Committee	**Cllr M Holder**
Clerks Notes	

2026-60 | **7** | **Reports from Councillors**
To receive any reports from Councillors.
None to report

2026-61 | **8** | **New Cemetery**
To receive any updates.

		A meeting has been arranged with Dr Earl on Monday 8th June to discuss out outstanding issues at the cemetery including the water connection and the state of the ground and grass.
2026-62	**9**	**Chairman's Announcements and Correspondence** To note any incoming and outgoing correspondence. **We have received an invite to the library's 10-year anniversary event.** **Several councillors are experiencing issues logging into their emails, the clerk to contact Centro to get new logging in detail's.**
2026-63	**10**	**Authorisation of Accounts** To authorise accounts for attached schedule. **Not included in pack, clerk to bring these to the next meeting.**
2026-64	**11**	**Date of Next Full Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17th June 2026 at 7pm, at Norton Canes Library, Burntwood Road, Norton Canes.**

Signed: 17-6-2026.....

Dated: 17th June.....