MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9th JUNE 2026.

PRESENT

Cllr. Nankivell (PN) – Chairman
Cllr. Parker (AP), Cllr. Macintyre **(NM) & Cllr. Hutton (EH).**
Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith - WCC.
Cllr. Jonathan Williams – HCC
Mr & Mrs Tony Catesby
Mrs Angela White
Mr K. Fell – Clerk

1. WELCOME
The Clerk welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
There were apologies from Cllr. Margot Power & Cllr. Mark Allen.

3. MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING 12th MAY 2026.
The minutes were agreed, and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

4. MATTERS ARISING.
Cllr. Hutton gave details of his investigations regarding the timetable at the bus stop.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.
Nil**.**

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR – JONATHAN WILLIAMS.
Cllr. Williams said that the Council Chairpersons had been decided.
The footpath cutting back of overhanging branches that was carried out was only from the bridge to Alresford, Cllr. Williams to check.
There was a Council Meeting taking place tomorrow.

7. CITY COUNCILLOR'S – Cllr. RUSSELL GORDON-SMITH.
Cllr. Gordon-Smith had sent a report. He stated that there was an Itchen Valley campaign to improve the bus services. The campaign had a title "My Ideal Bus Journey". Cllr. Gordon-Smith happy to send the information to the Parish Council.

8. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING - Cllr. PARKER.
Pl. Application No. 26/00707/FUL Western Court Farm
Solar Farm
Cllr. Parker stated that there had been a lot of objections. Cllr. Parker spoke to Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith about why the Parish Council was not listed as a consultee. He had spoken to WCC Planning but not received a reply, and improvement was needed in their communications.
Cllr. Gordon-Smith will speak to the Planning Department.
Pl. Application No. 26/00839/LDP SSEN
Alresford Substation
Installation of 2 replacement transformers plus switch room building. Modification to fencing.
Cllr Parker said that the compound was only temporary.

9. COMMUNITY MATTERS - Cllr. MACINTYRE

Cllr. Macintyre referred to community car chargers, lamppost conversions were mentioned.
With regard to the Septic Tank Scheme Cllr. Parker had had a contractor carry out a site survey and he was awaiting the results.

10. HIGHWAY MATTERS - Cllr. HUTTON.

Members discussed the email from Mr Gubby where the condition of the roads and the grass in Hobbs Close had been raised. Email to be sent to Cllr. Williams.
The Chairman mentioned that the Alresford footpath would now be cut in early August by the Lenthsmen due to highways carrying out regular cuts.

11. LENGTHSMEN/SID - Cllr. NANKIVELL.

Cllr. Nankivell said that cutting back of the Alresford footpath and the footpath to Northside Lane was planned for August and October.

12. INDUSTRIAL PLANNING & SUN LANE DEVELOPMENT - Cllr. PARKER.

Cllr. Parker stated that the Wimpey houses were still waiting for the completion of the roundabout.

13. FOOTPATHS & ROW - Cllr. HUTTON.

Cllr. Hutton stated that footpaths were OK.
Steve Wall had made repairs to the bus shelter. He had recommended that the PC should consider a complete refurbishment.
The Clerk stated that previously there had been grants to repair bus shelters. Clerk to enquire.

14. WEBSITE/SID/DEFIBRILLATOR - Cllr. ALLEN.

Cllr. Allen on holiday.

15. CORRESPONDENCE - CLERK.

Reports from HCC & WCC Cllrs.
Apology from Cllr. Margot Power
Apology from Cllr. Mark Allen
WCC Register of Electors Update, Strategic Planning Update, Community Small Grants Scheme.
Winchester Samaritans Appeal
East Hants – Shifts local plan Strategy due to National Planning changes.
Chairman – Water Lane verge cut.
Dates of Meetings sent out to Cllrs. Nankivell & Hutton.
Letter re grass cutting Water Ln./North Street Hobbs Close
Ambulance Service – opening gates etc.
Tony Catesby re Septic Tank Replacement
Peter Gubby re condition of roads & grass Hobbs Close
Cllr. Hutton re timetable info. at VH bus stop.

16. FINANCE – CLERK.

The Clerk gave the Chairman an update on the financial position.
The Clerk stated that he was preparing the accounts to reclaim the VAT £335.78 and to pass on to the Internal Auditor.

RECEIVED
Nil

TO PAY

Clerk's exps.	£91.20
Steve Wall (Bus shelter & Grass cutting)	£235.00
Ink Cartridges	£63.22

Agreed

20. OTHER MEETINGS.
Nil.

21. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.
Nil.

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –14th JULY 2026 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for taking part and closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.