

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 10th JUNE 2025.**

PRESENT

Cllr. Nankivell (PN) – Chairman
Cllr. Allen (MA) – Vice – Chair
Cllr. Cllr. Parker (AP), Cllr. Hutton (EH) & Cllr. McIntyre (NM)
Cllrs. Clare Pinniger WCC, Cllr. Margot Power WCC, Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith WCC.
Mr K. Fell – Clerk

1. WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were apologies for absence from Cllr. Jonathan Williams (HCC)

3. MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING 13th MAY 2025.

The minutes were agreed, and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

Cllr. Allen stated that the agenda for the meeting was on the website.

Members discussed wildflower verges, Cllr. Power pointed out that WCC carry out verge cutting on behalf of HCC. A licence from HCC would be required to plant wildflowers. NM suggested a Rota could possibly be drawn up for the verges. The Chairman had emailed Coral, but she was not available. Mel had organized a collection at the Fete to fund the purchase of crocus bulbs. There was certainly enthusiasm from residents to plant bulbs and wildflowers and NM suggested various sites around the village.

The Chairman will draft an email for the Clerk to send to David Richardson at HCC.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Nil.

6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

Cllr. Williams had sent in a report which members had received.

7. CITY COUNCILLOR'S – Cllr. MARGOT POWER & Cllr. CLARE PINNIGER.

WCC Cllrs had sent reports which Members looked through at the meeting. Cllr. Power and Pinniger spoke on Devolution.

8. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING - Cllr. PARKER.

Cllr. Power thought that the lack of planning was due to drainage credits.

9. COMMUNITY MATTERS - Cllr. MCINTYRE.

Cllr. McIntyre stated that she had nothing further to report.

10. HIGHWAY MATTERS - Cllr. HUTTON.

The Chairman said that the overhanging branches around the 30mph sign had been cut back.

The advertising signs in the bus shelter had been removed.

Cllr. Hutton said that some motorists attending the Fete had parked on the pavement. Parking attendant next year.

Clerk to speak to HCC Highways again re the path at the Ford.

11. LENGHTSMEN/SID - Cllr. NANKIVELL.

Cllr. Allen stated that a bracket was required for the SID speed sign and also there were broken connections. Order to be placed to fix.

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

Cllr. Parker stated that there would be nighttime closures on the Sun Lane Development. The house building was progressing and there will be another update meeting this week.

13. FOOTPATHS & ROW - Cllr. HUTTON.

Cllr. Hutton said that with the crops growing farmers need to keep the paths a decent width. However he found 2 that were overgrown, one pointed out to the landowner and one where a contractor was required. One footpath had been strimmed by the Lengthsmen.

Cllr. Pinniger was asked about the Alresford footpath, she stated that HCC had mentioned the Spring, but the date now was not known. The Willow Tree at Grove Cottage was causing problems due to its size, Cllr. MacIntyre will speak to the owners.

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

Cllr. Allen said that there would be news of the Fete on the website and on the SID, he mentioned the capacity of the battery. The Village Hall Committee pay the subs for the Speed Indicator.

15. CORRESPONDENCE - CLERK.

Reports from WCC Cllrs.

Report from HCC.

Sun Lane – Residents Update Letter, School Rosie Waring-Green / Cllr. Jackie Porter

Taylor Wimpey Liaison Meeting Agenda

WCC Register of Electors Update June, Parish Laison Meeting 24th June

CPRE Countryside Awards 2025

Chairman to Coral Rogers re wildflowers

Martin Henderson – School Lane verge

Lengthsmen Work Schedule

16. FINANCE – CLERK.

The Clerk gave the Chairman an update on the financial position. The Vat will be claimed back. Members agreed that the Parish Council would fund £100 of bulbs.

RECEIVED

Nil

TO PAY

Clerk's exps.	£86.20
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Information Commission subs	£52.00
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RP Verge cut	£417.60
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Agreed

Members agreed £25 to fund the mowing at the Memorial Tree site.

17. OTHER MEETINGS.

Nil.

No one had attended the Bighton PC devolution meeting.

18. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.

Nil.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 8th JULY 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 8.20 p.m.