

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BISHOP'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026.**

**PRESENT**

**Cllr. Nankivell (PN) – Chairman**  
**Cllr. Allen (MA) – Vice – Chair**  
**Cllr. Parker (AP), Cllr. Macintyre (NM) & Cllr. Hutton (EH).**  
**Cllrs. Power & Pinniger (WCC)**  
**Mr & Mrs Sumner**  
**Mr Tony Catesby**  
**Helen Clarke**  
**Michael Clarke**  
**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), and Cllr. Russell Gordon-Smith (WCC).

**3. MINUTES OF MEETING 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026.**

Members agreed the Minutes, and the Chairman signed the Minute Book.

**4. MATTERS ARISING.**

Tavy Cottage - van now gone.

Flooding under railway bridge and pavement approaching bridge on the Bishops Sutton side, covered in mud. – Cllr. Williams.

Road sweeping – Cllr. Pinniger stated not being actioned, spoken to the Officer concerned.

**5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

Nil.

**6. COUNTY COUNCILLOR.**

Nil.

**7. CITY COUNCILLOR'S – Cllr. MARGOT POWER, Cllr. CLARE PINNIGER and Cllr. RUSSELL GORDON-SMITH.**

WCC Cllrs had sent reports.

Cllr. Power mentioned the Septic Tank replacement scheme where householders have to register. There was funding for 33 units. Rachel Jones-Solent Mitigation Project, will come to Bishop's Sutton to give a presentation at the Annual Assembly. Rachel will contact the Clerk. It was agreed that Tom Gregory be asked to give his presentation at the Annual Meeting in May.

**8. RESIDENTIAL PLANNING - Cllr. PARKER.**

Cllr. Parker mentioned the Planning Application 25/02571/HOU Install a drop kerb for vehicular access to the rear of Bishop's Court Lodge off the B3047. Planning had asked for an extension of time.

There was nothing further on the Solar Farm.

**9. COMMUNITY MATTERS - Cllr. MACINTYRE.**

Cllr Macintyre raised the matter of the binmen damaging the verges in the village.

Members discussed the weed in the river, and it was reported that Water Lane was not as bad as it was last winter.

**10. HIGHWAY MATTERS - Cllr. HUTTON.**

Cllr. Hutton had reported two blocked drains in Bighton Lane/North Street and near the Milestone. It was also reported that telegraph poles are to be erected in Bighton Lane to Bighton Bottom Farm for fibre communication. This was by Trooli with no planning application.

**11. LENGTHSMEN/SID - Cllr. NANKIVELL.**

The Chairman stated that the Lengthsmen schedule was awaited. The verge at Riverhead had been cut back.

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

Nil.

**13. FOOTPATHS & ROW - Cllr. HUTTON.**

Nil.

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

Cllr. Allen was carrying out a tidy up of the website.

**15. CORRESPONDENCE - CLERK.**

Reports from WCC Cllrs.

Report from HCC Cllr.

Cllr. Russell-Smith apologies.

Cllr. William's apologies

Email Tom Gregory

Cllr. Power – Community Hubs & Digital Drop Ins.

Breast Cancer Walk 8<sup>th</sup> June

Cllr. Power – Sewage Schemes & Septic Tank Upgrades

Meon Valley Beekeepers – Asian Hornets

Network Rail – digital Lineside Neighbours Notification

Cllr. Hutton re Village Hall bookings

Titchfield Tree Services

The Garden Festival Elan City update

Glasdon catalogue

Clerk & Councils Direct March '26

**16. FINANCE – CLERK.**

The Clerk gave the Chairman an update on the financial position.

**RECEIVED**

Village Hall Rem.	£100.00
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**TO PAY**

Bugs Garden Services	£1,050.00
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Clerk's exps.	£108.56
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Tony Cates Rem. Trees	£ 75.60
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Agreed

**17. OTHER MEETINGS.**

Nil.

**18. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR.**

Nil.

**19. DATE OF ANNUAL ASSEMBLY –14th APRIL 2026 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm.  
Councillors will be reminded to produce reports for the Annual Assembly.**

The Chairman thanked everyone and closed the meeting at 8.35 p.m.