

OWSTON FERRY PARISH COUNCIL

These are the Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Owston Ferry Parish Council held on Thursday 29 January 2026, 7:00pm in the Parish Room at Coronation Hall.

In Attendance:

Councillors Woodcock (Chair), Cole, Coy, Rule, J Temperton, S Temperton and Walker.

Ward Cllr Rose

Clare Boyall Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

12 Members of the Public

	Item	Proposer
07/01/26	<p>Public Participation Session A member of the public commented on item 18/01/26. A member of the public spoke on the subject of the Fleethole and Corporation Road. A member of the public commented on item 18/01/26. A member of the public commented on item 18/01/26. A member of the public commented on item 18/01/26. They also commented on speeding issues in Gunthorpe. A member of the public commented on item 18/01/26.</p>	
08/01/26	<p>Apologies None.</p>	
09/01/26	<p>Declarations of Interest None.</p>	
10/01/26	<p>Granting of Dispensations (Code of Conduct, 2012) None.</p>	
11/01/26	<p>Draft Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 27 November 2025 Cllr Coy proposed that the minutes of the full council meeting held on 27 November 2025 be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour. Resolved.</p>	
12/01/26	<p>Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council meeting held on 22 January 2026 Cllr Coy proposed that the minutes of the extraordinary full council meeting held on 22 January 2026 be accepted as a true record, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour. Resolved.</p> <p>Cllr Woodcock advised that he would bring forward item 18/01/26.</p>	
18/01/26	<p>Planning Applications Application No: PA/2025/1511 Proposal: Planning permission to erect two camping pods Site: Fourways Fishery, Gunthorpe Road, Owston Ferry, Doncaster, DN9 1BG</p> <p>This was discussed. Cllr Coy proposed to object to this planning application due to serious concerns regarding access and egress for this site, seconded by Cllr Cole. All in favour. Resolved.</p>	
13/01/26	<p>Clerk's Report A proforma invoice has been received for the supplies to refurbish the telephone box. These will be delivered once payment is received ready for the work to be started in the Spring.</p>	

3 quotations have been requested for the new goal posts to submit to the FA. 2 have been received so far. An account has been created in order to apply for a grant.

The councils insurance is due for renewal 1 March 2026. We are now out of the long term agreement so 3 quotations have been requested.

Work has started on the agreement for any football teams wishing to use the recreation field for the next season.

1 quotation has been received for the recreation field fence following a site visit. However, the 2 other companies have failed to supply quotations despite several attempts.

The present data mapping for the Parish Council is being updated to comply with Assertion 10 for this year's audit.

14/01/26 Financial Report

102537	Staff Salary	December Salary	Confidential
102538	HMRC	PAYE	Confidential
102539	P Hinds	Cemetery and Closed Churchyard Grass Cutting	245.00
102539	P Hinds	Vegetation Clearance	650.00
DD	Business Stream	Cemetery water Supply	5.50
102540	Staff Salary	January Salary	Confidential
102541	C Boyall	Mileage	41.85
102541	C Boyall	Home Office Allowance Feb-Apr	78.00
102542	HMRC	PAYE	Confidential
102543	N Lincs Council	Right of Access Station Road	5.00
102544	X2 Connect	Telephone Box Refurbishment	193.39
DD	Business Stream	Cemetery Water Supply	5.50

Cllr Walker proposed that the financial report be accepted and the cheques should be signed seconded by Cllr Coy. All in favour. **Resolved.**

15/01/26 Cemetery Charges

The cemetery charges were discussed and compared to the ongoing cost of the cemetery. Cllr Walker proposed to increase all charges by 20% to reduce the burden on the residents of the cost of maintaining the cemetery, seconded by Cllr J Temperton. All in favour. **Resolved.**

16/01/26 Budget for Precept 2026/2027

The budget for 2026/2027 was discussed. A discussion took place regarding the recreation field grass cutting. Cllr S Temperton proposed to reduce the maximum cuts for the recreation field down to 22 as only 22 cuts had taken place in the last 4 years, seconded by Cllr J Temperton. **Resolved.**
Cllr J Temperton proposed that the budget be approved and that a Precept be set at £43,804, seconded by Cllr Coy. All in favour. **Resolved.**

A precept of £43,804 equates to an increase of £11.96 per year or 99p per month for a Band D property.

17/01/26 Planning Permission Granted

To note that planning permission has been granted for PA/2025/1125. Planning permission to install a 5,700 litre septic tank with liquid clearwater

overflow to accommodate the wastewater generated from the site office – land at the north end of North Intake Lane, Owston Ferry, DN9 1BQ

To note that planning permission has been granted for PA/2025/1441. Application under the Overhead Lines (Exemption) (England & Wales) Regulations 2009 to erect a new H (double) pole. Council Farm Field Part 3720, Gunthorpe Road, Owston Ferry

Cllr Coy proposed to note items 16.1 and 16.2, seconded by Cllr Walker. All in favour. **Resolved.**

19/01/26 Playground Inspection

Cllr Cole has completed a playground inspection. The gym equipment has algae and dirt on the equipment. Cllr Cole will clean this at the next inspection. There is a handle missing off one of the pieces of equipment. The Clerk advised that the Parish Council have spares and will supply one to Cllr Cole after the meeting.

20/01/26 Tree Report

The report was discussed. The Clerk advised that there was also a very small tree at Gunthorpe play area that should be removed as it is interfering with the fence. One tree is in the closed churchyard and a Faculty will be needed. Cllr Cole proposed to obtain quotations for the work required in the report and to include the tree at Gunthorpe, seconded by Cllr Coy. All in favour. **Resolved.**

21/01/26 Grass Cutting and Weed Spraying Contract 2026

The Clerk has received 1 quotation so far but more are expected. The Parish Council's interest to take on the grass cutting and weed spraying, dependent on quotations has been submitted to N Lincs Council. N Lincs Council will need a definitive answer by the 3rd week in February. Cllr Walker proposed to delegate the responsibility of agreeing a quotation to the Chair, Vice Chair and the Clerk due to the time constraints, seconded by Cllr J Temperton. All in favour. **Resolved.**

This will be reported to the February meeting of the Parish Council.

22/01/26 Speed Monitoring Gunthorpe

Following the Clerk's request for monitoring in November 2024 speed monitoring took place in October 2025. The mean average of vehicles was 25.5 mph. The 85th percentile speed was 30.6 mph. Unfortunately Gunthorpe is therefore placed at 536 in N Lincs Council's speed management strategy. Only the top 120 sites have extra measures put in place. Cllr Coy proposed to note the results, seconded by Cllr Cole. All in favour. **Resolved.**

23/01/26 Community Awards 2026

Deferred to the next meeting in order that Cllrs can consider the categories and arrangements for the awards.

24/01/26 Best Kept Village 2026

Deferred to the next meeting.

25/01/26 Royal Garden Party

No Cllrs wished to be nominated to attend the garden party.

26/01/26 Public Footpath Signs

Some of the signs that were installed on the public footpath posts have either been removed or lost when a post has been replaced. The signs advise the public that vehicles and horses are not allowed on Public Rights of Way. The Parish Council do have spare signs. Cllr Woodcock volunteered to install the

	signs.	
27/01/26	<p>Ward Councillor Report</p> <p>N Lincs Council's council tax is likely to be set at 4.9%. The drainage rates will remain the same for this year. Ward Cllr David Robinson sadly passed away recently. There will be a by election for Axholme Central on 26 March 2026. It is hoped there will be a new Just Go bus service in place for March. There will be a 1 week booking system rather than 1 month to allow more people to use the service. The new bigger red bins will be delivered before the old bins are collected. The old red bins need to be left out for collection.</p>	
28/01/26	<p>Chairman's Items</p> <p>None.</p>	
29/01/26	<p>Date and Time of next meeting</p> <p>The next full council meeting will be held on Thursday 26 February 2026 7 pm in the Parish Room of Coronation Hall.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.03 pm.</p>	