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PARISH COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

Venue: Aynho Village Hall

3rd November 2025, 7:00PM

MINUTES

Present:

Cllr Dawn Willis (Chair)

Cllr Ray Willis

Cllr Jerry Stephenson

Cllr Poppy Hoole

2 members of public

Meeting commenced: 19:00

25/140 Apologies for absence

Apologies received: **Cllrs Leigh, Horley, Rees, Mackenzie & Foxon.**

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED**: to approve apologies for absence.

25/141 Members' declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None.

25/142 Public Participation

- A resident spoke on non-agenda item – Raising concerns regarding a DPD delivery van driving unsafely down Little Lane and reversing back along it. It was suggested that additional signage or improvements to existing signage may help. The Chair to visit the site and may raise the issue via FixMyStreet.

25/143 Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council of 6th October 2025

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED**: to approve minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council 6th October 2025.

25/144 Planning

None.

25/145 Authorisation of Payments

Cllr Stephenson inspected and confirmed bank reconciliation and invoices against payments schedule.

On the proposition of The Chair, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED**: to approve payments scheduled October to November 2025.

On the proposition of The Chair, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED**: to receive and note schedule of receipts **£4,150.08.**

25/146 Cricket Club Licence Agreement

The Chair reported that councillors had recently met with representatives of the Cricket Club to discuss the outline licence agreement, including proposed charges.

Council reviewed the draft licence agreement and noted the following proposed additions:

- Inclusion of a cancellation fee (one week's notice)
- A £20 per game fee for rental of the cricket square
- An indicative total cost per game based on the villagers' hourly Pavilion rate, plus £20 per match for the square (covering use of the cricket square, sports field, and pavilion)

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED:** to approve a charge of **£20 per match** for use of the cricket square.

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED:** that the draft licence document be completed and presented to a future meeting for further consideration and adoption.

25/147 Car Show Event

The RFO presented the income and expenditure statement for the Car Show Event held on 12th October 2025. It was noted that a new cost code and reserve have been created to clearly demonstrate the event's financial position and to support future budgeting and reporting.

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED: to approve income and expenditure statement.**

25/148 Adoption of Budget for 2026–27

On the proposition of the Chair, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED:** To adopt the budget of **£47,427.00** for 2026-27.

25/149 Approval of Precept Demand for 2026–27

On the proposition of the Chair, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED:** To make a precept demand appropriate to the adopted final budget of **£31,228.00** for 2026-27.

25/150 Royal British Legion

On the proposition of the Chair, seconded by Cllr Stephenson, it was **RESOLVED: to approve £50.00** donation to Royal British Legion for Remembrance Sunday village wreath.

25/151 Village Christmas Preparations

The Chair confirmed Christmas Tree decorating and lighting scheduled for 28th November 2025.

25/152 Community Matters

a) Health & Safety:

- a. Council considered the letter drafted by Cllr Leigh to WNC regarding Zebra/Pelican Crossing at The Square/Croughton Road.

On the proposition of the Chair, it was **RESOLVED:** Clerk to send the letter on behalf of council.

b) Grounds Maintenance: None

c) Consultations:

- a. **West Northamptonshire Infrastructure and Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)**, which will soon be open for public consultation for six weeks. This is a key opportunity to learn about proposed changes affecting developer contributions (Section 106 and CIL) and infrastructure provision in our area, and to ensure your council's views are heard.

Insufficient information available.

25/153 Newsletter

To discuss items for next newsletter edition – Cllr Mackenzie to edit on behalf of council.

- 2026-27 Budget adopted
- 2026-27 Precept adopted

25/154 Next Meeting

1st December 2025 – Full Council Meeting

Meeting closed: 20:30

Signed:

25/159 Planning

None.

Issues which cannot be taken into account

Who the applicant is/the applicant's background	Loss of views	Loss of property value	Loss of trade or increased competition
Strength or volume of local opposition	Construction noise/disturbance during development	Fears of damage to property	Party wall disputes
Maintenance of property	Boundary disputes, covenants or other property rights	Private rights of way	Personal circumstances are generally not a material planning consideration

Material Considerations

Overlooking/loss of privacy	Loss of light or overshadowing	Parking	Highway safety	Traffic
Noise	Effect on listed building and conservation area	Layout and density of building	Design, appearance and materials	Government policy
Disabled persons' access	Proposals in the Development Plan	Previous planning decisions (including appeal decisions)	Nature conservation	Public rights of way

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Authorisation of Payments

Aynho Parish Council PAYMENTS LIST

29 November 2025 (2025-2026)

Vouche Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
88 Aynho ECD	03/12/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Hedge Cutting	D J Fox Agricultural Services	S	375.00	75.00	450.00
89 Donabons - Sports Field	05/11/2025	25/134	Co-Op C/A		Table Tennis/Football Eqpt	Cornilleau	S	832.50	166.50	999.00
90 Community Matters	14/11/2025	25/150	Co-Op C/A		Remembrance Sunday Wreaths	The Royal British Legion Pt	Z	25.00		25.00
91 Admin (Inc Tel, Stationary & P)	17/11/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Virtual Line for Clerk	Virtual Landline	S	5.42	1.08	6.50
92 Pavilion - UTILITIES	18/11/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Electricity	EDN Next Energy	L	124.21	6.21	130.42
93 Community Matters	03/12/2025	25/151	Co-Op C/A		Christmas Tree Lights	Screwfix (p/b R Wills)	S	59.98	12.00	71.98
94 Pavilion - Gen Exp	03/12/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Kitchen - Pavilion - Misc Materi	Ebay (p/b R Wills)	X	29.00		29.00
95 Pavilion - Gen Exp	03/12/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Cleaning	K Angell	X	30.00		30.00
96 Clerk & RFO Salary	31/12/2025	25/160	Co-Op C/A		Clerk Salary - Dec	A Youel	X	685.56		685.56
97 Community Matters	03/12/2025	25/151	Co-Op C/A		Christmas Tree Hooks	Ebay (p/b D Wills)	S	5.99	1.20	7.19
Total								2,172.66	261.99	2,434.65

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RECEIPTS LIST

1 December 2025 (2025-2026)

Vouche	Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Receipt No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
115	Pavilion - Rental Income	10/11/2025		Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Hire	K Angell	X	25.00		25.00
116	Pavilion - Rental Income	14/11/2025		Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Hire	K Angell	X	15.00		15.00
117	Pavilion - Rental Income	19/11/2025		Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Hire	Health Walkers	X	20.00		20.00
118	Pavilion - Rental Income	21/11/2025		Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Hire	K Angell	X	55.00		55.00
119	Pavilion - Rental Income	28/11/2025		Co-Op C/A		Pavilion Hire	K Angell	X	25.00		25.00
Total									140.00		140.00

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25/162 Playground Redevelopment – External Consultancy Approach

Dear Mr Youel,

If the Council is considering a new or redeveloping an existing **Playground**, I wanted to pass on the details for Sports and Play Consulting.

Our role is to support you independently in terms of **Assessing** existing facilities, **Advising** on any design considerations, and ultimately **Tendering** the work publicly for interested contractors.

There are specific guidelines when a council spends public funds, including the tender documents and how they are advertised. Notwithstanding, there is a high number of suppliers that vary considerably and scoring these contractors in terms of design and quality is critical to get the right one for your project.

We have undertaken over 150 projects over the last 8 years, and with a strong background in play design and tendering, it may be the support the Council needs.

If this is relevant, please feel free to contact myself and happy to have a chat over the phone about your objectives and how we may be able to support you throughout the process.

Regards,

25/164 Level of Reserves

Aynho Parish Council
Reserves Balance
2025-2026

Reserve	OpeningBalance	Transfers	Spend	Receipts	CurrentBalance
Earmarked					
2- Defrillator	-462.00	462.00			0.00
3- Sports Field	6,508.82	-6,508.82	1,258.32	2,900.00	1,641.68
4- Pavilion Upgrades		4,000.00			4,000.00
5- Tennis Court Upgrades		1,200.00	1,120.00		80.00
6- Playground		4,000.00	275.25		3,724.75
1- Contingency Reserve	6,000.00	-6,000.00			0.00
7- Car Show			335.90	745.42	409.52
Total Earmarked	12,046.82	-2,846.82	2,989.47	3,645.42	9,855.95
TOTAL RESERVE	12,046.82	-2,846.82	2,989.47	3,645.42	9,855.95
GENERAL FUND					49,079.23
TOTAL FUNDS					58,935.18

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Transfers to and from - All Reserves

Date	Comment	Reserve	Amount
16/09/2025		2- Defrillator	462.00
16/09/2025		4- Pavilion Upgrades	1,000.00
16/09/2025		5- Tennis Court Upgrades	1,000.00
16/09/2025		6- Playground	1,000.00
16/09/2025		1- Contingency Reserve	-6,000.00
16/09/2025		3- Sports Field	-6,508.82
26/11/2025	2026-27 Budget Decision	4- Pavilion Upgrades	3,000.00
26/11/2025	2026-27 Budget Decision	6- Playground	3,000.00
26/11/2025	2026-27 Budget Decision	5- Tennis Court Upgrades	200.00
		Total.....	-2,846.82

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Reserve Notes Report
Reserves Report with Notes

Name	Budget	Notes	Type	Status
2- Defrillator	-462.00	Reserve completed - balance moved from general fund	Earmarked	Complete
3- Sports Field	6,508.82	Balance moved to general fund - Reserve now linked to '304 Donations - Sports Field'	Earmarked	Open
4- Pavilion Upgrades		£3,000 added 2026-27 Budget	Earmarked	Open
5- Tennis Court Upgrades		Reserve linked to '335 Tennis Court Expenditure' £200 added 2026-27 Budget	Earmarked	Open
6- Playground		Reserve linked to '204 Playground' £3,000 added 2026-27 Budget	Earmarked	Open
1- Contingency Reserve	6,000.00	Reserve completed - balance moved to general fund	Earmarked	Complete
7- Car Show			Earmarked	Open

a) **Consultations:**

- a. **Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Public Consultation: Precept and Public Confidence Survey 2026/2027.** Consulting on their council tax precept - the amount of the council tax bill that goes towards funding Northamptonshire Police and Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service.
<https://www.research.net/r/OPFCCPR25>

Funding for your local police and fire services comes from two sources – central government grants, and the council tax precept. The precept is charged through your local tax bill, and the amount is set by the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner. The precept is the council tax bill, and the amount is set around 18% of your annual council tax bill.

My Safe and Sound plan for the county sets out the strategic direction for Northamptonshire Police and Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service. I have listened to what communities tell me and I know that above all, people want to feel safe and comfortable where they live.

This means providing visible, accessible public services that are engaged with, and part of the communities they serve. It means putting prevention first to actively keep you safe and tackle crime, fires and other incidents before they happen. And it means collaborating with partners to create safer roads, safer towns, safer homes and safer workplaces.

I believe that we have made a start, and there is so much more to be done over the coming year to give you the police and fire services you want and need, which you trust and have confidence in.

I will continue to ensure that we manage the money we receive well and look for innovation and efficiency in everything we do. Now I need your views on what you would be willing to pay for the services provided by police and fire and rescue in the coming year.

Your views are vital in helping to ensure that your priorities for both services can be delivered.

We have launched this survey to ask you your views on what you would be willing to pay for the services provided by policing and fire and rescue services in Northamptonshire. The survey also asks some further questions around your confidence in Northamptonshire Police.

The survey should take around 15 minutes to complete. This survey will close on Monday 5th January 2026 at midday.



Danielle Stone

Northamptonshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner