

WOODSETTS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 26th NOVEMBER 2025 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, GILDINGWELLS ROAD, WOODSETTS

PRESENT

Councillors: M Carroll (Chair), B Bartles (Vice-chair), N Renzi, S Tindle.

IN ATTENDANCE

Assistant Clerk M Wade
1 member of the public

9287 Apologies received and absences considered

Apologies were received from the Clerk, Cllrs Gresham and Sherratt, and accepted.

9288 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved; that the Chairperson be authorised to sign the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 29th October 2025 as being a true record of business transacted.

9289 Declaration of Members Interests and consideration of any request for the granting of a dispensation

None.

9290 To identify items which may be considered following the exclusion of press and public

None.

9291 To consider any variations to the orders of business

None.

9292 To discuss the co-option of councillors

The Council heard from Derek Robinson, following a meeting the previous evening between themselves, the Chair, and the Assistant Clerk. It was resolved that Cllr Robinson join the Council, and they were informed of training opportunities and resources available.

9293 To receive information on ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary

Biodiversity; none.

Usage of the recreation ground; following discussion, it was resolved to pursue the implementation of a junior football pitch. It was resolved to enquire with the RMBC

safety officer as to the safety of the recreation ground swings, and remove if necessary.

9294 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No public were present following Cllr Robinson joining the Council.

9295 To consider Section 137 Grant Applications

None.

9296 To a donation to The Poppy Appeal

Resolved to donate £250 to the appeal.

9297 To receive a report from the Financial Working Group

The Chair relayed a report from the group, observing that a Financial Committee will be established, with terms of reference, that would give members the opportunity to peruse financial matters and approve them. Noted that the process will be streamlined, and allow the RFO additional time to comprehensively respond to enquiries. Committee to meet monthly following the Assistant Clerk becoming the Clerk.

9298 To consider and approve expenditure

Resolved and noted that expenditure also included an additional item of wages.

9299 To consider the pavilion project

The Chair relayed a report on the project, noting that the FCC and Tarmac LCF applications have been submitted, requesting £100,000 and £50,000 respectively. In the event of their success, the PWLB loan will be reduced significantly. Resolved that the pavilion flyer will instead be incorporated into the newsletter as its own article.

9300 To consider CCTV

Following advice from the architects, it was recommended to pause until development on the pavilion commences.

9301 To consider any major planning applications

None.

9302 To receive a report on the Bonfire and Fireworks event

Cllr Renzi reported on the event, noting that despite inclement weather, the night was a success. It was observed that the event plan has been consolidated, with documents in place to facilitate continuity. Thanks were extended to councillors, stewards, volunteers, and vendors involved, in addition to Cllr Tindle's cone loan. Noted that RMBC's Mobile CCTV Unit was in the area, and thanks extended to them for their vigilance.

9303 To consider a new village notice board

Resolved to obtain a quote for two metal boards, akin to the shops notice board, but smaller in size.

9304 To consider the recreation ground hedge

Enquiries ongoing with interested contractors, in addition to RMBC Green Spaces; Cllr Tindle to pursue their contact.

9305 To consider the peace garden wall

Noted that works have been completed, invoice to be paid. Following discussion around concerns that the Christmas tree bracket may have caused damage to the pointing, it was resolved to repoint the wall.

9306 To consider Communications group including the Newsletter

Resolved that the newsletter will be produced, with a focus on volunteer groups as per 2024, and to incorporate an article on the pavilion.

9307 To consider highways and footpaths in the Parish

Noted that the Road Scheme commencement has been observed to be 12th January 2026, with the 20 MPH zone to be complete before Christmas '25. Noted that the 20 MPH signs are mostly in place. RMBC will write to residents on the matter.

9308 To consider general correspondence

Correspondence was relayed regarding a request for funding a sign at the crossroads informing drivers that there is a school in the village, to raise visibility to families outside the village that the school has places. Following discussion around traffic, a flashing school crossing sign, and the possibility of speeding reduction, it was resolved to invite the correspondent to a meeting to further discuss their proposal.

Correspondence was relayed regarding feedback pertaining to the Bonfire and Fireworks event, and in particular a request made to relocate the event given concerns around the noise and its effect on animal welfare. Following a lengthy discussion, it was resolved to contact the correspondent as to relocating any affected animals.

9309 To consider feedback from meetings attended

Noted that the Council had received Cllr Sherratt's report from the Barnsdale Construction Liaison meeting regarding the Common Farm Solar Park development. Aside from increased traffic to the A57, overall impact on Woodsetts should be none or minimal.

9310 To note the dates of the next Parish Council Meetings as:

21st January 2026; no December 2025 meeting.