

Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th July 2026

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Present

Cllrs. Mr P Riordan (Chair), Dr A Davis, Mr P Hancock, Mr P Henderson-Brown, Mrs D Macklin, Mrs V Nelson, Ms R Sampson, Mrs M Sumner Mr M Whaley and Mrs S Whitehead.

In Attendance

District Cllr. Mrs C Wilde, Footpath Warden Mr M Davies, Environment and Planning Advisor Mrs S Haywood, Mr D Sharp (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

88/26 Public Participation

The Council invites local residents attending the meeting to make comments and suggestions, and question the Parish Council on issues on the agenda, or raise issues for future consideration: No matters were discussed.

89/26 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: County Cllrs. Mr M Victory and Mr T Wells. Also District Cllr. Mr J Gallagher.

90/26 Interests

i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Disclosable Interests and Non Registable Interests regarding items on the agenda: There were none

ii. Notification of changes to the register of interests: There were none.

iii. To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation for those with Disclosable Interests to take part in discussions or voting: There were none.

91/26 Planning

i. To consider response to the following and any late submitted applications:

Application No	At	Details
M/26/00120/FUL	Land At (Os 8172 3904) Lockeridge Lane	Use of land as a caravan site for the stationing of 10 log cabins for holiday let use and associated works
M/26/01044/TDC5	Church Villa Gloucester Road	Application for Technical Details consent following Permission in Principle M/25/00730/PIP for a new self-build dwelling
M/26/00940/HP	Five Oaks Kings Road	Installation of Solar Panels along with Battery(ies) and Inverter.
M/26/00937/FUL	Willow End Park Blackmore Park Road	The change of use of land to B8 use in association with units 8-12, comprising the siting of 60 shipping containers for ancilliary storage together with associated access and landscaping

The following responses were agreed:

M/26/00120/FUL:

"Provision of this new information by the applicant does not address the policy and other material concerns with the application at this site that have previously been raised by Little Malvern and Welland Parish council and others, including neighbouring residents. Continued extension of the consultation on this application is costly to the taxpayer and provides an unreasonable imbalance in favour of the applicant. All parties should have the rules for planning applications implemented evenly, including consultees. The Parish Council continues to object to this application for the reasons provided in its previous response dated 11th May 2026."

M/26/01044/TDC5:

The response was delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the Planning Group.

M/26/00940/HP:

"The block plan suggests a new garden room but no other document seems to refer to it. The parish council assumes that this is just a legacy diagram repurposed for this application and that this application therefore is simply for the panels on the house roof as per the other documents in the application. With this assumption, the parish council acknowledges the current climate emergency and therefore the need to support reasonable proposals for renewable energy use and submits no objection. "

M/26/00937/FUL:

The response was delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the Planning Group.

ii. Decisions notified:

M/26/00335/FUL – Livestock and Feed Store, Myrtle Cottage, Drake Street - Approved

iii. Update from Planning Working Group:

A letter had been received from Kempsey Parish Council regarding the refusal at Planning Committee for a development of 99 houses at Napleton and the subsequent appeal. It was agreed to reply concurring that MHDC should defend the appeal and the 5YHLS.

92/26 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th June: These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chair.

93/26 Progress reports and matters arising from these minutes

- i. **Mobile phone mast options:** The Parish Hall committee were content with the installation of Wavemobile Equipment and a response from WCC over funding and timing was awaited.
- ii. **Castlemorton Common grazing issues:** Cllr Hancock reported that the grazier whose sheep had been recently wandering into the village was happy to have his contact details advertised.
- iii. **Community Speed Watch update:** Firstly it was noted that there was a public consultation over creating a 40mph speed limit across Castlemorton Common. Secondly the Group confirmed that they were currently running sessions every week and regularly were identifying 30-40 drivers exceeding 35 mph. The reports had been submitted to West Mercia who had agreed to do their own monitoring in the near future. The Clerk was requested to assess the visibility of the SID by Lawn Farm. The Clerk was also to get updated prices for new units.

94/26 Community Development Coordinator

To receive report: The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

A meeting was to be arranged between the CDC and the Comms Group to look at options for relaying information to residents

95/26 Reports by District and County Councillors and other Representatives

District Cllr. Christine Wilde confirmed that two new unitary authorities were to be created: North Worcestershire and South Worcestershire (comprising Malvern Hills, Worcester City and Wychavon). She also reported that she had been shadowed by a local student giving her experience of how local government worked.

96/26 Working Party and other reports and recommendations**i. Projects:**

a) To consider for approval agreements with MHDC for permissive path from Giffard Drive to Marlbank Farm and for S106 funding for fitness track/patio/climbing wall/outdoor gym equipment and signage: These were approved and signed by the chair.

b) To consider use of £3,761 CIL funding from Pheasant Inn Development: This would be discussed at the next S106 Group Meeting.

c) To consider other projects for funding (inc. ward budgets): A application for funding from Ward budgets was in progress. The Pursers Orchard Group was seeking help to improve the entrance to the Orchard. It was agreed that the Parish Council would finance the project costing £1,965 inc vat.

ii. **Environment, Biodiversity & Climate Change: Update on future projects:** A meeting was arranged with MHDC for 4th August to review proposed grant funded works in the Blandford Close area. Some tree planting was planned for the northern end of Spitalfields. Severn Trent had responded to the water quality report and a meeting was to be arranged.

iii. **Events: Report on Summer Bash and consider group recommendations:** The Summer Bash had made approximately £1,150 and donations of £150 each were to be made to Welland Charity, PTA, Pre School and Pursers Orchard Group. Next year's event was to take place on June 27th.

97/26 Parish Council Policies

To consider IT and Safeguarding Policies for adoption: The IT policy was agreed and signed by the Chair. The Safeguarding Policy was still under review.

98/26 Correspondence

FROM	SUBJECT
CALC	Updates/Training/Area Meeting
CALC	Health and Wellbeing Newsletter
NALC	Events and Bulletins
Cllr Wild	Notice of Planning Designation
Clerk	Zoho Work Drive (i)
Environment & Planning	Martyn's Law
Community Engagement & Training Officer	Victim Support
People's Emergency Briefing film 01/07	NEB Group
MHT	Sheep/Cattle incursions
MHDC	CIL Statement of Modification
MHDC	Community Celebration Movie
Misc.	Mobile Phone Issues
Misc.	Cemetery Fence
MHDC	Withdrawal of Forest of Dean District Local Plan
Severn Trent	Watercourses
Kompan	Gym Inspection Report
Kempsey PC	Napleton Lane Appeal
MHDC	Worcestershire Unitary Decision
Public	Marlbank Speed Issues

(i) – It was agreed to purchase Zoho Work Drive for 14 users @ £2pp/pm.

99/26 Finance**To consider payment of invoices presented:**

The following payments were made from the **Events (Fete) Account** between meetings were ratified:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Viking/Waitrose	06/07	£29.85	Bash Expenses
Three Kings Inn	06/07	£504.50	Bash Expenses
The Hop Shed	06/07	£108.00	Bash Expenses
Amazon	06/07	£40.95	Bash Expenses
B&M / TG Jones	06/07	£22.95	Bash Expenses
Booker	14/07	£333.28	Bash Expenses
TOTAL		£1,039.53	

The following payments were made from the **Main Account** between meetings and were ratified:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Barbara Stephens	08/07	£757.69	Community CoOrdinator
J Moore	23/06	£176.00	Lengthman (May)
TOTAL		£933.69	

The following payments were approved from the **Main Account**:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	25/06	£352.00	Lengthman Duties (June)
J Moore	20/07	£400.00	Old Cemetery Conservation Work
Broadleaf Tree Care	18/06	£480.00	Grass Cutting
Broadleaf Tree Care	07/07	£480.00	Grass Cutting
Broadleaf Tree Care	16/07	£280.00	Cemetery Tree Works
NALC	08/07	£42.00	Social Media Event
NALC	08/07	£42.00	Collaboration Event
Welland Parish Hall	30/07	£327.50	Library Hire
Anthem UK	11/06	£100.00	Internal Audit Fee
Worcester Timber	09/07	£331.19	Trellis for Cemetery
Revenue and Customs	-	£664.37	PAYE (Apr-Jun)
E Hardman	20/07	£200.00	Handyman
D Sharp	20/07	£649.20	Clerk's Fee (40 hrs @ SCP 28. £811.60 Gross)
TOTAL		£4,348.26	

The following payments were approved from the **Events (Fete) Account**:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Welland Charities	20/07	£150.00	Donation
Welland Primary PTA	20/07	£150.00	Donation
Welland PreSchool	20/07	£150.00	Donation
Pursers Orchard Group	20/07	£150.00	Donation
TOTAL		£600.00	

Accounts Summary

Reserves Lloyds B/F	£3,072.50		Main Account B/F	£15,487.30
Interest	£1.26	£3,073.76	WCC Lengthman	£352.00
			Welland Pavilion Insurance 26-27	£585.51
Saver Account	£32,797.45			
Interest	£58.18	£32,855.63	Airband	-£15.00
			Service Charge	-£4.25
Event Account	£3,889.77		MHDC Waste Collection	-£76.96
Pre Payments	-£1,039.53		Airband	-£15.00
Charges	-£4.25		Pre Payments	-£933.69
Trs. To Main for Float	-£1,500.00		July Payments	-£4,348.26
Lloyds Card Rebate	£43.80			
Bash Receipts	£0.98			
	£652.00			
	£50.00			
	£266.25			
	£252.49			
	£2,499.60			
	£138.00			
	£65.00			
	£320.93			
July Payments	-£600.00	£5,035.04		
Total C/F		£40,964.43	Main Account C/F	£11,031.65

100/26 Any other matters for report or for future consideration

To confirm consideration of climate change actions on agenda items: This was affirmed.
Mr M Davies confirmed that he would be retiring as Parish Paths Warden after July.

101/26 Date of the next meeting

The Next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 17th August 2026 in Welland Parish Hall commencing at 7:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:45 pm.