



ASLOCKTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Aslockton Parish Council held at the Thomas Cranmer Centre (TCC), Main St, Aslockton, Nottingham NG13 9AL on Monday 15th September 2025

Present: Cllrs Nick Wheatley, Fiona Barker, Tim Knight, Sharan Pinkney.

In attendance Parish Clerk Neil Southwell, Cllr C Grocock and two members of the public (WAPT) Paul Brown and Donna Johnson

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence.
 - Apologies: Cllr Hellen Molloy (resigned) ,Cllr C Haslam
 - Cllr Wheatley asked for a vote of thanks to be recorded in respect of Cllr Molloy for her efforts in particular regarding the summer event
2. To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of Aslockton Parish Council held on 14th July 2025 are an accurate record .This was accepted
3. To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests pursuant to section 31 Localism Act 2011 from councillors on matters considered at this meeting.
4. To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion of public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.
5. Council Statement: 'Aslockton Parish Council is focusing on progressing village initiatives; 1) Resolving parking congestion at the playing field. 2) Emergency planning, particularly for flooding. 3) Organising village events.
6. To adjourn the meeting for the Public Forum.
 - Donna Johnson gave a statement regarding the WAPT ,various shortcomings were noted especially in respect of bookings and organisation .This is highlighting the need of overhaul of the current structure and governance .Paul Brown also indicated that he is to resign from the trust .The shortcomings have led to games being cancelled and Bingham FC now play games elsewhere .
 - Cllr Wheatley asked DJ if she was willing to be co opted to APC and she responded in the affirmative . A unanimous vote was recorded
 - Various ideas for a revised structure of the WAPT were discussed and it was agreed that legal advice should be obtained .
7. Councillors' reports:
 - Cllr Grocock gave a resume of the neighbourhood plan (Cranmer Group of 4 councils) and the document to move forward that needs to be signed off by each council chair .The document was dully signed .An electronic version of the document will be forwarded to Cllr Wheatley. He continued to explain the ditch clearance that had been carried out on the Smite.He also expressed concerns regarding the bridges that cross the Smite from gardens ,probably erected

without planning and not maintained .The responsibility of the bridges are the landowners .He closed by discussing the RBL Remembrance Day arrangements .He expressed concern that officers of the local branch were unable to continue in office and that it may not be able to continue without support .The next meeting of the branch is 7/10/25 at 8.15pm Cllr Grocock also referred to the current 3"live " planning application where RBC officers have yet to progress.

- Cllr Knight gave a resume of the IT contract progress .Hosting is to continue with the current provider (Cal Bryant) ,the purchase of Office 365 will not take place (cost) and a move to .Gov domain will be explored
- Cllr Barker requested that "clean up after your dog " signs be purchased and displayed on footpaths .An expenditure of £50 was agreed

8 .Paul Brown was invited to speak to express his concerns regarding the traffic safety issues on Abbey Lane

- The issue has continued for a while
- Cllr Haslam has recorded it with photographs
- Maybe the threshold of congestion is not met
- A solution is difficult to envisage (one way ,yellow lines by school ,road widening)
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9 .Concerns were raised regarding potential congestion arising from the Flintham show

- Approaches had been made to the organisers to no avail .A note is to be put on face book to beware congestion
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10. This item relates to the IT contract discussed under Cllr Knight's report in item 7

11. WAFT was discussed continuing from the concerns raised in previously in item 6

- Structure needs revision
- Maybe a different legal entity (CIO)
- What is the nature of the trust
- Trustees are currently APC and WPC
- Per the point raised in item 6 further legal advice is to be obtained to seek a resolution

12. Cllr Barker gave an update on the Lengthsman scheme

- The original grant was £1350 of which £360.08 has been spent
- Notice board installation will be in the region of £350 --waiting for the ground to soften to install
- It was suggested that the balance be spent on FP3 for stoning .M Drew is to be contacted for a quote

13 . Allotments

- Network Rail report discussed re potential work to be carried out on their boundary hedges.
- It was suggested that the allotment rents should be increased next year—to be discussed at the next meeting
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14. Installation of noticeboard covered in item 12 Martin Drew is to be asked for a definite quote

15. Via road sign Cllr Haslam to follow up

16. Footpaths although partially covered in item 12

- The “Lama” field stiles are unsafe and require attention

17.A update is awaited from WPC regards to apportionment of Summer event costs

18 Recruitment of new councillors previously covered on item 6

19 Finance per appendix was discussed and the following expenditure approved

- APC clerk salary £396
- APC clerk work from home allowance £26
- HMEC £120
- WAFT grant £1000

20 Items for next agenda

- Precept
- Allotments rent
- Lengsthman scheme
- Planning
- ½ year appraisal APC clerk

Meeting closed 8.45pm