

NORMANTON ON TRENT WITH MARNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 21st July 2026, 7.20pm, Low Marnham Church Room

Present:

Councillors:

A Winfrow
V Waring
S Nolleth
J Clayton

R Austin
J Spink
P Hope
R Parker

Clerk:

R Jeffries

Representatives:

Members of the Public: 2

64/26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from D/Cllr Griffin.

Action

65/26 Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no Declarations made.

66/26 Update from JG Pears

Due to extenuating circumstances a report was not submitted and representatives from JG Pears submitted their apologies for the meeting.

Comment was made that rendering plants across the country have been full to capacity. This is due to the increased consumption of chicken, thereby increasing production of waste products.

In her report, D/Cllr Griffin confirmed that she has received several odour complaints. She had communicated with Alistair Collins who advised that the plant was struggling with machinery breakdowns, causing the lorries to back up as they were unable to process the product. He stressed that they were working as quickly as possible to resolve the issues.

67/26 Meeting closed for Public Open Session of 5 minutes

The member of the public reiterated his concerns regarding the odour issues relating to JG Pears.

68/26 Matters Arising from the Public Open Session

None to report.

69/26 Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 19th May 2026

The minutes were approved, proposed by Cllr Nolleth, seconded by Cllr Austin.

70/26 Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th May

44/26 Sustrans Cycle Track

Cllr Spink has not made contact with National Grid, however, Cllr Hope confirmed that he has been in touch with their representative regarding the Sustrans Cycle Track.

St Matthews Church Clock

The Clerk has accepted the grant offer from the NHCT which will be paid upon completion of the works and issue of the invoice from Time Assured. The Clerk will write to JG Pears regarding a donation. Upon receipt of the Faculty from the Diocese, the Clerk will instruct Time Assured to proceed with the works.

South Street Noticeboard

The new noticeboard has been delivered and awaits installation by Cllr Lilley. Cllr Hope agreed to liaise with him regarding installation. The Chair confirmed that the old Low Marnham noticeboard has been removed.

71/26 Flood Resilience Team Update

Cllr Austin reported that the scheme is soon due to be up and running – this will be the first one in the Bassetlaw area. Road signage and equipment has been delivered and the volunteers are due to undertake some on-line training.

72/26 Community Engagement

Cllr Waring had circulated her draft Community Survey in advance of the meeting which the PC approved. She also intends to compile a list of vulnerable persons within the parish. Storage of this data needs to adhere to GDPR regulations. Cllr Nolleth agreed to approach Alistair Collins regarding the printing of the survey, which will also be published digitally via the Facebook page.

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The PC discussed how to receive completed surveys and it was suggested that a letterbox be installed at the Village Hall, proposed by Cllr Nolleth, seconded by Cllr Clayton. Cllr Austin agreed to seek permission from the Village Hall Committee.

RA

73/26 Village Playground Proposal

A decision has been made as to ownership of the Village Hall and the lease is being finalised. It is proposed that the Church will lease the land to the Village Hall Committee and the PC will lease the playground land from the Village Hall Committee.

The Clerk had forwarded the Insurance Policy to Cllr Nolleth so that she can check the terms and conditions regarding playgrounds.

74/26 Financial Matters

Balance of Accounts and Approval of Payments for July 2026

The transactions below were approved by the Parish Council, proposed by Cllr Nolleth, seconded by Cllr Hope.

Opening bank balance = £14256.91

NUMBER	PAYMENT/RECEIPT	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
P5	Clear Councils Insurance Renewal 2026-27		£633.42
P6	Emma Lambert Mini First Aid Inv 10012222		£300.00
P7	Wave Anglian Water Inv 16571887		£19.25
P8	Ateeco – Internal Audit of 2025-26 Accounts		£100.00
P9	Clerk's Wages June to July 2026		£452.68
P10	Westfield Joinery Inv WJ1340 – Village Hall Repairs		£3642.20
	Totals:		£5147.55
	BALANCE TO CARRY FORWARD		£9109.36

Ringfenced funds are detailed as:

- £200 from the NALC Transparency Fund
- £0.00 CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) Funding from Bassetlaw DC
- £380 for Playground Donation
- £1500 from Notts CC Local Community Fund for new Noticeboard

The PC agreed for the following payments to be paid from the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) fund: P10 Westfield Joinery for repairs to Village Hall. Therefore, this means that all CIL funds have now been used and accounted for.

75/26 Crime Update

As at May 2026, there were no crimes reported on the Police.uk website.

76/26 Planning Matters

- 26/00522/FUL – The Square and Compass, Normanton on Trent

The Chair reported several conversations with residents regarding complaints of noise, antisocial behaviour, and drug usage. He encouraged them to report their complaints to Bassetlaw DC and the Police and urged Councillors to do the same.

Cllr Griffin is dealing with a high level of noise and parking complaints in Normanton. The relevant officers at Bassetlaw DC are working closely together to resolve this and she is working closely with all parties to provide her support.

77/26 Highways Matters

Cllr Spink had a conversation with an employee of VIA EM regarding the road subsidence between Grassthorpe and Normanton and the VIA representative agreed to report the issue.

78/26 Parish Burial Ground

There was nothing to report on the Burial Ground.

79/26 Allotments

The Chair proposed a revised plan which splits the field into four allotment plots. This was approved, proposed by Cllr Spink, seconded by Cllr Hope.

The Chair will revise the Lease Agreement, to include a clause stating that no livestock be kept on the land, and that regular inspections of the plots will be conducted.

The four plots were allocated on a first come, first served basis, and the Clerk will maintain a waiting for further requests. Given the amount of work required to get the plots back into working order, the PC agreed to waive the rental charges for this year.

RJ

80/26 Defibrillators

Cllr Austin is waiting for the contracts for the new rental units. He confirmed that regular checks continue to be conducted on the existing units.

Cllr Austin agreed to contact the Retford Lions regarding their email publicising free CPR courses.

RA

81/26 Correspondence

D/Cllr Griffin reported that Streetscape consultation has launched in Tuxford. As the closest town to the Parish, she believes residents would be interested in having their say about what facilities are delivered with the remaining money. It takes two minutes to complete, and she agreed to send the link in a separate email to be circulated to all councillors and local residents. An in-person consultation with Bassetlaw officers is happening tomorrow at the horse museum in Tuxford 3.30pm till 6.30pm should anyone want to discuss the projects any further or require assistance completing the consultation document.

EG

The Chair had received a letter from Robert Jenrick, MP, regarding the One Earth Solar Farm.

82/26 Any other Business

Cllr Nolleth conveyed thanks to The Crown pub for their support towards the School Summer Fair.

The nuisance of dog fouling persists and Cllr Nolleth agreed to put a deterrent post on the PC's Facebook page.

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Cllr Parker suggested that it might be prudent to recruit a volunteer to wind the church clock, as and when the current volunteer chooses to retire from the role. The Chair agreed to pay Mr Allen a visit and Cllr Nolleth agreed to publish a recruitment poster on Facebook.

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83/26 Business for the next meeting
As per the forthcoming agenda.

Date of next meeting
Tuesday 15th September, 7pm, Low Marnham Church Room

The meeting closed at pm **Signed.....Chairman Dated.....**