Whitchurch Parish Council

Clerk to the Council – Mr. Tony Skeggs

Minutes of the Meeting of Whitchurch Parish Council held at the St Johns Hall

On Monday 12th October 2026 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs A Bond (Chair), L Davies, S Ford, S Jefferies, R Shuffill, and A White.

Public Attendance: 9 members of the public, and Buckinghamshire Council Cllr Gomm.

Clerk: A Skeggs Absent: None

26/83	**Apologies for Absence** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Alderman.
	Open Forum for Residents • Several residents expressed their disappointment on how the verge in Keinches Lane had been cut back, destroying all the vegetation. They asked why it had been done and who had requested it. • Cllr Jefferies had been asked if the Parish Council would consider a bus shelter on the High Street in front of the petrol station. *The Clerk would add an item to the November agenda*. **Buckinghamshire Council Councillor Update** • The abandoned white van would be removed. He suggested purchasing grit bins direct from companies rather than going through Buckinghamshire Council. He was still after a representative for the Community Board, and he was thinking of trialling a "Priority System" on the Oving Road to reduce the congestion. • As from November planning applications would no longer be able to be "called in" and officers would be deciding most applications.
26/84	**Members' Interests:** Members were invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Whitchurch Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011. There were no new declarations of interest.
26/85	**Approval of Minutes**: The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 7th September 2026, were approved, and signed by the Chair.
26/86	**Playing Field** Cllr Ford updated the Council on the request from the football team to use the playing field. They were a bunch of people who enjoyed playing football. Any money collected was then donated to a charity. Their only requirement was a marked out pitch as they had their own nets. They would be visiting the playing field to see if it was suitable and then would contact Cllr Ford.
26/87	**Grounds Maintenance** The Chair had obtained a quote to cut the verge down Weir Lane of £550 but as only one

	quote had been obtained it was **AGREED** to defer the decision until the November meeting.
26/88	**Financial Position as at 30 September** The Clerk circulated the financial statement as at the 30 September which showed a forecast deficit of £2,540. The statement was **NOTED**.
26/89	**Planning** There following planning applications were considered: • PL/26/00748/FA – **The Old Vicarage, White Horse Lane** – *Construction of Oak Framed Garage*. The meeting had No Objections to the application.
26/90	**Meeting Dates for 2027** The Clerk circulated the dates for the Council meetings for 2027, which would continue to be on the second Monday of the month.
26/91	**Finance** a) The list of payments for October was **APPROVED**, details at the end of the minutes. b) The bank position as at the 30 September was **NOTED**.
26/92	**Date of Next Meeting:** The next meeting would be on the 9 November.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

Chair's Signature ..... Date.....

BANK POSITION

Bank Balance At	Account	Bank Balance	Total
30 September 2026	Current Account	£17,847.98	
30 September2026	Deposit Account	£56,994.65	
30 September 2026	Investment Account	£30,403.89	£105,246.52

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE LISTING

Income	**£**
Lloyds Bank – Interest for September.	£23.03
Lloyds Bank – Interest from Investment.	£923.91
Buckinghamshire Council – Second Precept Instalment.	£18,115.00
Residents – Donations to New Bench at Ashgrove Gardens.	£1,210.74
TOTAL INCOME SINCE THE LAST MEETING IN SEPTEMBER	**£20,272.68**

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Expenditure		
Invoices to be approved at Parish Council meeting.	**Payment**	**£**
Whitchurch PCC (51) – Hall Hire for Cllr Gomm Planning Meeting.	FP	£25.00
Whitchurch PCC (52) – Hall Hire for Best Kept Village Presentation.	FP	£31.25
ICO (53) – Data Protection Subscription.	DD	£47.00
SSE (54) – Street Lighting Supply	DD	£184.26
SSE (55) – Street Lighting for August.	DD	£585.84
Buckland Landscapes (56) – Cutting Back Foliage on Oving Road.	FP	£588.00
Clerk (57) – Reimbursement of Defibrillator Adult Pads.	FP	£80.34
Cllr S Ford (58) – Reimbursement for Refreshments for BKV.	FP	£24.64
Intelogy Systems (59) – Email Addresses for September.	DD	£46.37
Sign Wizzard (60) – 2026 Best Kept Village Winner Sign.	FP	£66.74
Whitchurch PCC (61) – Hall Hire for September 2026 PC Meeting.	FP	£25.00
Buckland Landscapes (62) – September Verges/Recreation Ground.	FP	£889.15
Clerk (63) - Salary and Expenses for September 2026.	FP	£580.46
Lloyds Bank (64) – September Account Maintenance Charge.	DD	£4.25
Intelogy Systems (65) – Email Addresses for October.	DD	£46.37
TOTAL OF PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL		**£3,224.67**
For Information - Reclaimable Vat from 1 April for 2026/27		**£3,654.74**