

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 15 JULY 2025 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON
BRIDGE.

Present Councillor Linda Pitcher– Chair
 Councillor Sarah Redrup – Vice-Chair
 Councillors Jonathon Smith, John Roberts, Kim Massey and Catherine
 Couzens, Jane Allen

Also present 2 Members of the Public
 0 Member of the press
 Lorna Morey – Assistant Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum: None

1. ABSENCE

24/097. Councillor Yeo and Councillor Jones sent their apologies. No Councillor
Lemon

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

25/098. None

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2025

25/099. RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE
2025 WERE APPROVED AND DULY SIGNED.

4. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO: -

25/100. Local Access Forum.

RESOLVED – THAT COUNCILLOR JON SMITH IS ELECTED TO REPRESENT
THE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

25/101. IWALC.

RESOLVED – THAT COUNCILLOR JOHN ROBERTS IS ELECTED TO
REPRESENT IWALC

25/102. HALC

RESOLVED – DELAYED UNTIL WE KNOW IF WE ARE STILL IN HALC

5. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT AND TO AGREE ANY
ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

**25/103. To discuss and decide on Grant application from Life Education
Wessex**

RESOLVED - THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD GRANT PAYMENT OF
£485.00 TO LIFE EDUCATION WESSEX

**25/104. To discuss and decide whether to continue to support Wootton
Community Primary School's Hardship fund**

RESOLVED – THAT THE CLERK WILL SEND ANY HARDSHIP FUND REPORTS
TO THE COUNCIL AND A COPY OF THE GRANT APPLICATION FORM TO
WOOTTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL.

25/105. To discuss and decide on the Village Survey 2025

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL SUPPORT THE VILLAGE SURVEY GOING AHEAD AND APPROVE OF COUNCILLOR REDRUP SPENDING £350

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:

25/106. None

25/107. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

25/00493/LBC – Granted – Sloop Inn, Mill Square, Wootton Bridge PO33 4HS

25/00492/FUL – Granted – Sloop Inn, Mill Square, Wootton Bridge PO33 4HS

25/00494/ADV – Granted – Sloop Inn, Mill Square, Wootton Bridge PO33 4HS

25/00497/LBC – Granted – Sloop Inn, Mill Square, Wootton Bridge PO33 4HS

25/00669/CLPUD – Refused – Blackthorn Hollow, Lower Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge PO33 4JT

25/108. Tree Preservation Orders

25/00578/TW – Granted – South Lodge, Lushington Hill, Wootton Bridge PO33 4NR

24/01744/TW – Refused – Land at Fernhill, South of High Street, Wootton Bridge

25/00811/TW – Granted – Outlook, Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge PO33 4JR

25/109. Appeal

None

7. ACCOUNTS.

25/110. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for July

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN JULY TOTALLING £8100.76 A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

8. MONTHLY REPORT OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL ISSUES AFFECTING THE VILLAGE

25/111. Report from the Isle of Wight Council Local member. Appendix B

- The Highways Department has agreed to present a joint presentation with Island Roads on disruption in Wootton due to recent road closures to the next Economy, Regeneration, Infrastructure and Transport Committee on Thursday 21st August.
- The Isle of Wight Council has launched a public consultation on the future of the River Medina crossing between East Cowes and Cowes. The consultation runs from 14 July to midnight on 22 August 2025
- Wootton Bridge Primary School has won the top prize of £750 in Cherry Godfrey's Amazing Advert Competition this month.

9. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

25/112. Councillor Pitcher wanted to let the new councillors know that there was no pressure to attend every invite sent to them. The Church Close Community group is almost ready to be opened. They now have 50 tables and chairs. It will be available to hire soon.

Councillor Smith –hoping to have a clean up of the play park at Wootton Rec on 27th July. £1000 was allocated from the reserves. More details to follow.

Councillor Roberts – plaque on the Sloop detailing history of building – Clerk to find out what they are putting on the plaque.

A discussion about history of buildings in Wootton – Councillor Massey to put photos up in her shop. She will also put the walking leaflets in there. Councillor Redrup mentioned Newport have a Heritage Day, could we do something similar?

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 20.03 p.m.

Signed

Date