

24/83	Website and Councillor Email Addresses					
	It was resolved to investigate a “.gov” address for the website and councillor email addresses, noting that although not mandatory, it was recognised as good practice					
24/84	Village Emergency Response					
	An email had been received from a resident regarding the lack of response from the Parish Council to offer support to the community and lack of care provision during the storm in December highlighting that grants that had been available. It was noted the Parish Council do not have any resource/powers to offer care provision, and that neighbours do have their own networks and ensured that vulnerable residents were safe and secure. It was resolved to invite the author to a future meeting with a request for an explanation of what a grant could be used for specifically					
24/85	Finances					
24/85.1	Current Financial Statement – The current account balance as of 08.01.2025, was £4,767.34					
24/85.2	Bank Reconciliation – it was agreed the Chairman would sign the reconciliation and was duly undertaken.					
24/85.3	<u>The meeting authorised the following cheques would be issued:</u>					
	Date	Details	Cheque No.	Invoice No.	Total Bank £	VAT £
	08.01.2025	Clerk Wages & NI Oct-Dec	233,234		583.05	0.00
				Total Amount	£583.05	
24/85.4	Budget Considerations and Precept 2025/2026					
	Budget - The draft budget for 2025/2026 was considered and after an alteration to the grass cutting provision, the final budget was set at £4,830.00. Proposed Cllr Sherry, seconded Cllr Gibbons and unanimously resolved.					
	Precept - It was noted the tax base had increased from 168.46 to 179.13. Members were presented with varying options. After a discussion, it was resolved to request a precept of £4,850.00 which equated to a £1.11 or 4.27% increase, meaning the cost for a band D property would rise from £25.97 to £27.08. Proposed by Cllr Sherry, seconded by Cllr Mote and unanimously resolved.					
24/86	Planning					
24/86.1	There had been no new applications					
24/86.2	There had been no new decisions					
24/87	Highway Matters					
24/87.1	Corner of Luckes Lane – the LCN highways meeting had advised that a task order had been submitted to the contractor					
24/87.2	The Avenue – It had been advised Highways were contacting the owner – no further update					
24/87.3	SID (Speed Indicator Device) – no further update. It would be investigated if a device could remain in one place, or whether it needed to be moved on a regular basis Cllr Mote advised he had spoken to a Highways Officer regarding the ongoing issues above and concern of flooding by the old horse fountain – awaiting an update					
24/88	Village Defibrillator					
24/88.1	It was agreed to hold a Sunday Lunch on 16 th February 2025, places would require pre-booking. A poster would be placed on the noticeboard, and it would be included in the Staple Diet. Cllr Gibbons had received a £50.00 donation towards the fund and had thanked the donor.					

24/89	Grass Cutting
24/89.1	Four companies had quoted for the Grass Cutting Contract 2025, which were presented to members for consideration. After a discussion, it was unanimously resolved to accept Company 2, DG Garden Services. Proposed by Cllr Gibbons, seconded Cllr Philipson.
24/90	Staple Diet and Communication with Parishioners
	It was noted that good feedback had been received from the last report. It was agreed a report would be submitted after each meeting. Cllr Gibbons volunteered to write the article again.
24/91	VE Day – Thursday 8th May 2025
	Cllr Stamp agreed to organise the Lighting of the Beacon and the obtain the necessary permissions. A cream tea could be organised during the day
24/92	Matters for the next meeting
	Re-staining of Bus Shelters
	Parish Assembly
	FUTURE MEETING DATES
	5 th March 2025; 7 th May 2025; 2 nd July 2025; 3 rd September 2025; 5 th November 2025
	The meeting closed at 8.47 pm

Signed

Dated