



Minutes of Kemerton Parish Council Meeting held at the Victoria Hall on Monday 2nd March 2026

Those Present: Cllr Lisa Croft (Chairman)
Cllr Clive Carver (Vice Chairman)
Cllr David Bulley
Cllr Emma Edwards
Cllr Adrian Hardman (WCC & WDC Councillor)

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Cllr Christina Kulukundis, Cllr Oliver Alexander and Carol Chambers (Clerk)

2. **Declaration of Interests.** None.

3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

To Consider Adoption of the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12th January 2026. It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2026 be adopted as a true.

4. **Co-option of New Member Mr David Bulley**

The Clerk had emailed with the agenda the completed the application form from David Bulley for co-option to fill a casual vacancy for a Councillor. Following a review and questions to Mr Bulley the Council **RESOLVED** to accept Mr Bulley as a co-opted Member. The Chairman congratulated and welcomed Cllr David Bulley to the Council, she advised that the declaration of office would be signed at the next meeting.

5. **Financial Report - *original papers were available at the meeting***

a) Receipts January 2026 over £100.00

Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Description	Amount
20/01/2026	BGC	WORCESTERSHIRE CC	208.00

b) Payments over £100.00 January 2026

Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Amount
26/01/2026	SO	DAVID GRAY	243.00
26/01/2026	SO	MRS CAROL CHAMBER	339.30

c) Receipts up to 24th February 2026 over £100.00

Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Credit Amount
24/02/2026	BGC	WORCESTERSHIRE CC Lengthsman	208.00

d) **Payments up to 24th February 2026 over £100.00**

Transaction Date	Transaction Type	Transaction Description	Amount
24/02/2026	SO	DAVID GRAY	243.00
24/02/2026	SO	MRS CAROL CHAMBER	339.30
06/02/2026	DD	PUBLIC WORKS LOANS KEMERTON	440.95

a) **Bank Reconciliation including January as at 24th February 2026.**

Treasurers Account as at 24th February 2026 as per Bank Statement **£ 7,220.98**

Savings Account as at February 2026 as per Bank Statement **£12,662.85**

b) **Budget to Date Review to date update to 24th February 2026**

Budget 2025-2026 (current year)		Actual to Date
Receipts	15,552	23,919.65
Payments	15,844	18,605.77

c) **Approved payment of £ 2699,99 from ElanCity - V019 RESOLVED**

Approved Payment of £16.43 Jubilee Key - V020 RESOLVED

6. Cllr Adrian Hardman WCC & WDC Councillor Update

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Hardman to the meeting. Cllr Hardman confirmed that WCC Council tax will be increased by 9% and Wychavon are to freeze their Council Tax and added that Wychavon would receive 3.9 million of Government funding.

- SWDP He continued also explained that the SWDP modification plans were delayed as the Minister wants to renew it, therefore there would be a delay on the SWDP modifications.
- Applegarth Application Cllr Hardman confirmed that the condition 5 of the Applegarth Application could not be defeated or altered.
- The Hedges covering the footway in Bayliss Road, had been cut but the left hand side of Bayliss Road needed to be taken back further.
- Cllr Hardman confirmed that the Crown Inn, would be able to continue with the outside tables until September 2026, and would speak to the Manager of the pub to ensure that the access is maintained.
- Pavement needs to be resurfaced and hedge cut back on corner of Baylis road. Highways would investigate if it can be cut back so pavement can be resurfaced.

Issues for Cllr Harman to discuss with Worcestershire Highways

1. Re-tarmac on the inside of the bend coming from the bus stop up to Bayliss Road
2. The hedging on the corner of Baylis Road
3. Barry to go back to Baylis road to ask for hedging to be cut back further
4. Re-tarmac outside Meercombe House
5. Look at filled in ditch opposite Meercombe (we should speak to Liam about this too)
6. Look at ditch by Daffuns Orchard – there is a lot of cut hedging in the ditch
7. Look at ditch going down Kinsham Lane
8. Ditch outside the Catholic Church is filled with cut hedging
9. The Cattle Grid at the top of Hill Road needs digging out
10. Ask County to pay for the signs into kemerton

7. **CLERKS UPDATE** - Update Members on Council Issues

- a) **Village Footpath Signage:** The Council had approved to replace the footpath signage (on 12th January Item 4b) from the CIL Grant. The Footpath Warden Tim Ashley had updated the Signage Survey. Quotes for footpath signage would be reviewed at the next meeting.
- b) **New Vehicle Activation Sign (VAS) Sign:** The new Vehicle activation Sign (VAS) had been installed on the main road from Overbury into Kemerton.
- c) **Phone Box Repainting:** Quotes for repainting of the Phone Box would be reviewed at the next meeting.
- d) **SWDP Main Modifications Consultation:** Cllr Adrian Darby OBE had sent the Council's response form for the SWDP Modification Consultation to Wychavon District Council. Christopher Parkes Planning Officer (Policy) had confirmed receipt. The response form was approved by email and **RESOLVED** at the meeting. The Council thanked Cllr Darby OBE who were grateful for his work. (See Minute 6a).
- e) **Garages in Baylis Road:** Erin Kelly, Lettings Assistant, Rooftop Housing Group had emailed that she could see that no repairs had been made to these garages and no others on this road have become available.
- f) **Conservation Area Review:** Rebecca L Hart, the Heritage Team informed the Council that there was no change to the department as it was still under resourced, therefore the position with conservation area appraisals was unchanged. To be discussed at the next meeting.
- g) **Kemerton/Overbury Undergrounding Proposal to the National Grid Electricity Distribution (NGED):** The Clerk had sent a letter of support and gratitude to John Mills MRTPI CMLI, Planning Lead, Cotswolds National Landscape, on behalf of Kemerton Parish Council.
- h) **AOB** Cllr David Bulley informed the Council that he, Mark Farey and David Gray Kemerton's Lengthsman went around the village, he added that the Lengthsman may need longer rods, also Mark mentioned the ditch going down Kinsham Lane was blocked and the one by Daffuns Orchard was blocked. Need to check with Lengthsman if he could clear and move away the debris from the ditches as parishioners have commented that the debris is pushed to one side and it goes back into the ditch.

7. **Set Dates for 2026-2027 Meetings**

11th May 2026 ANNUAL Council Meeting
6th July 2026 - Council Meeting
7th September 2026 - Council Meeting
2nd November 2026 - Council Meeting
11th January 2027 - Council Meeting
1st March 2027 - Council Meeting

8. **Items for the next Agenda**

Footpath quotes
Phone box quotes
Conservation Review

9. **Date of Next Meeting**

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 20th April 2026 at 7.30pm at Victoria Hall, Kemerton

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