

# Deene and Deenethorpe Parish Council

## Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting

held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7:00pm in the Village Hall

### Present:

Councillors: Kieth Gautrey-Prue (Chair) Hannah Chambers, Ian Bridden, Jo Turner

In attendance: Clerk & RFO Joe Roberts and Cllr McDonald (NNC)

15.09.74	<b>Welcome</b> In the absence of the Chair and Deputy Chair, Cllr Simon Hicklin was proposed and seconded to Chair the meeting.
15.09.75	<b>Requests for Dispensation</b> There were no requests for dispensations
15.09.76	<b>Deceleration of Interests (Agenda items)</b> Cllr Simon Hickling recorded a deceleration of interest with the Deene Estate
15.09.77	<b>Public Forum</b> Cllr Eddie McDonald from North Northamptonshire Council provided an update on his recent local work and gave a detailed briefing on planning applications and NNC matters. He also confirmed that he had signed the joint letter to NNC Highways regarding concerns about the A43.
15.09.78	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Apologies for absence were accepted for Cllr Gautrey-Prue, Cllr Chambers and Cllr Whatling.
15.09.79	<b>Minutes of previous meeting</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2025
15.09.80	<b>Finance Matters</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the payments listed in Addendum A</li><li>Payments and receipts were noted for July and August.</li><li>Bank Balances were <b>noted</b> as at 31/08/2025, current account balance was <b>£12,106.99</b> and Savings Account balance was <b>£21,528.86</b></li><li>Due to timing delays for Q1 payments, it was agreed to defer the Q1 Financial Monitoring report to the November meeting.</li><li>While discussing the 2026–27 Budget, it was requested that sufficient funding be allocated for a War Memorial. The Clerk advised that there should be adequate remaining funds in the current year to cover this expenditure.</li></ol>
15.09.81	<b>Planning Matters</b> No updates on the open planning applications.
15.09.82	<b>Highways and Village Maintenance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that Cllr Barrett and Cllr Hicklin would take the lead on arrangements to allow sheep into the Churchyard.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> not to supply dog waste bags as part of efforts to reduce incidents of illegal dog fouling within the village. Cllr Turner will explore alternative solutions.</li> </ul>
15.09.83	<p><b>Official reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Clerk informed Councillors about the correspondence received. He will continue to forward email correspondence to Councillors as it arrives</li> </ul>
15.09.84	There were no updates on the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner meetings due to no meetings taking place.
15.09.85	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan</b></p> <p>The Clerk provided an update on the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Barrett proposed a recommendation that street names within Deenethorpe be changed to reflect more local significance.</p>
15.09.86	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> there was still appetite to receive the Rural Grants that had been rewarded to the Parish Council.
15.09.87	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the content in the joint letter to NNC regarding speeding along the A43.
15.09.88	<b>Meeting closed 7:45</b>