BENINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Sunset View Cowbroads Lane Old Leake. PE22 9QU	Parish Chairman: Parish Vice-Chairman: Parish Clerk: Email:	Councillor Kevin Pinner Councillor Graham Gostlelow Mrs Deborah Money clerk@beningtonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Minutes taken by the Parish Council, Mrs Deborah Money, at the Parish Council Meeting of Benington, which was held on Wednesday 10 August 2026, Beonna commencing at 7:00 pm

Present: Councillors Kevin Pinner (Chairman), Graham Gostlelow (Vice-Chair), Thomas Fenwick, John Grant and the Clerk Deborah Money.

Public Forum for a maximum of 15 minutes when members of the public may ask questions or make short statements to the council. Items not on the agenda will not be debated, but if appropriate, will become an agenda item at the next appropriate meeting. **Members of the public are expected to be polite, civil and respectful always during the meeting.**

No Members of the public

To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies:

a) Borough Councillor Dale Broughton sent his apologies.
b) Borough Councillor Peter Bedford advised that the Borough Council had awarded Parish Council a Pride In Place grant for the playing fields equipment fencing.
c) County Councillor Alistair Arundell was absent.

Meeting begun at 19:00

1. **Chairman's Welcome:** Councillor Pinner welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **Apologies for absence:** To receive and accept apologies where valid reasons for absence have been given to the Clerk prior to the meeting.
   An apology was received from Councillor Bell and was accepted.

3. **Declarations of interest**: (if any) To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of Interests.
   None Declared.

4. **Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 July 2026.**
   It was resolved that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record and that the Chairman be authorised to sign the official minutes.

5. **Financial matters**: To resolve as correct and authorise.
   a) **To receive the cash book and bank reconciliation June 2026.**
      The Clerk was unable to complete as not all details were up to date

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b) **Income**
June £14.82
July £14.99

c) **Bank Transfers**
Commercial Instant Access to Community Account £2500.00

d) **Payment Schedule**
Staff Costs £604.80
Laptop £549.00
Software £54.99
Bank Service Charge £12.75
I G Partridge £200
T A Blackamore Ltd £1578.12
ICO £47.00
Beona £72.00
Expenses £52.00
Mileage £27.72

e) **Change of Bank Mandate**
Cllr Pinner has been added to the bank mandate. Once he receives his PIN for online banking, the previous Clerk and a former Councillor will be removed. Cllr Bell will also be given internet banking access.

f) **Council Debit Card**
All Councillors agreed that a council debit card was not necessary, at this time.

6. **Internal Council Matters**

a) **Playing Field - Play Equipment Fencing**
As noted in the Borough Councillor's report, Cllr Grant has been informed that the Parish Council will receive a grant to cover the cost of the fence.

b) **Children's Playground Repairs**
No update has been received, so Cllr Pinner will follow up.

c) **Solar Powered Reactive Speed Signs**
One post has been installed for the reactive speed signs. Once the second post is in place, Councillors agreed that the Clerk should order the signs ready for installation.

d) **Bus Shelter (West Side)**
Cllr Grant has managed to source the Lincolnshire County Council Bus Shelter grant.

e) **Village Seat - (Centre of the Parish)**
The Clerk has applied for the Lincolnshire County Council Community Grant. If awarded, the Clerk may order the new bench.

f) **HMRC Payroll**
The Clerk has resolved the errors in Basic PAYE Tools and appealed three penalty notices, with a refund expected from HMRC. The existing HMRC credit will be retained to cover future tax payments, and it was agreed to set up a Direct Debit to help prevent further penalties.

g) **Email Addresses**
All new .gov email addresses have now been set up.

h) **Scribe Accountancy Package**
Details will be circulated to all Councillors and added to the next agenda.

7. **Planning: Town and Country Planning Act 1990. To consider and make observations on all planning applications received, and to note planning approvals, refusals, enforcement complaints and appeal decisions advised by the district council, including those received between the date of this notice and the day of the meeting.**
   None

8. **Highways**
   Highways emails are still being sent to the previous Clerk, so the Clerk has not yet received them.
   Councillors raised the following issues:
   a) Several potholes have now been filled.
   b) The planters supplied by Bells Brothers need replanting because they have not been watered.
   c) The uneven village path will be reported on FixMyStreet.
   d) Weeds are appearing throughout the village.

9. **Clerk's reports, outstanding matters and new business**
   The Clerk is updating all contact details, as the new Clerk cannot access the old email account, the outgoing Clerk will be asked to retain it and its emails for future reference.

10. **Items for information or next agenda**
    Budget
    Order of Wreath

11. **Date of next meeting:** Due to holiday arrangements, the September meeting is cancelled. The next meeting will be held on Monday 12 October 2026.

Meeting Ended 2035

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