



# Cropwell Butler Parish Council



Minutes for Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 10 November 2025 at 7.00 PM

Location: Cropwell Butler & Tythby Village Hall, Main Street, Cropwell Butler, NG12 3AB

## MINUTES

Welcome and open the meeting.

- The meeting was opened at 7.00pm.

- Present: Cllrs Chris Davenport, Paul Goodwin, Roy Morledge, Tony Teatum, David Wells (Chair), Jeremy Williams (Vice Chair); Dermot Daly (Clerk); Borough Cllr Ted Birch; County Cllr Neil Clarke (from 8pm); 5 members of the public.

25/26/118 Receive and approve any apologies for absence.

- None.

25/26/119 Receive disclosures of interests from Councillors on matters at this meeting.

- Interests received from Cllr David Wells regarding Sheldon Field Committee position.

25/26/120 Suspend Standing Orders (for this item only) and allow for Parishioner Questions and Observations and to receive reports from the County and Borough Councillors.

- There was significant comment regarding the planning application for Butlers Oak, specifically about the narrow access to the property and potential flooding issues.

### **PLANNING**

25/26/121 Review and agree responses to any last minute planning applications and report any decisions.

i) 25/01785/PIP - The Rookery, Tithby Road, Cropwell Butler, NG12 3AA - Permission in Principle for one detached dwelling (self-build), including detached garage, associated hardstanding and new access. [Deadline: 29/10/2025]

- There were no particular objections, the Council will be guided by the planners.

ii) 25/01751/FUL - Butlers Oak, Main Street, Cropwell Butler, NG12 3AB - Erection of a one-and-a-half storey dwelling within the rear garden of Butlers Oak, involving the removal of a small number of trees and minor alterations to the existing access, including lowering the front boundary wall and pillar. [Deadline: 07/11/2025]

- It was noted that on the planning portal there are 10 objections and 9 supporting; County Highways are not supporting the application; Ingress and Egress to the main village road is likely to be an issue; There are some general objection comments relating to flooding; It was cited as "not in keeping" but it is set back off the road; Impact on environmental and wildlife concerns have been mentioned; Noise impact from the heat-pump was also mentioned.

The Council,

- felt that road safety needs to be taken into account and at a significant level.

- had concern about the width of the drive.

It was RESOLVED to object to the application on two aspects. The negative impact on road safety due to narrow access to the property covering ongoing ingress/egress of vehicles including delivery vehicles. There needs to be a significant consideration regarding flood prevention through both surface/run-off water and the incremental impact on the sewage system.

### **MEETINGS**

25/26/122 Approve the Minutes for the Staffing Committee meeting held on 13th October 2025.

- It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes as circulated.

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- It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes as circulated.

### **FINANCE**

25/26/124 Review and agree the Financial Report for the period.

- The accounts were presented and confirmed to be reconciled to the bank account.

25/26/125 Review and approve the Accounts for Payment.

- It was RESOLVED to approve the payments as circulated.

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- 25/26/126** Review proposal and agree £1,000 grant for Sheldon Field.  
 - It was RESOLVED to approve the grant request for the Sheldon Field.
- GENERAL**
- 25/26/127** Present quotes for Village Hall retaining wall rebuild and decide on preferred supplier.  
 - Due to there only being a single response to the tender, it was decided to go back out for more quotes. The aim is for five more contractors to be provided by Councillors.
- 25/26/128** Present quotes for Village Hall tree works and decide on preferred supplier.  
 - The tender process resulted in two quotes that were anonymously presented by the Clerk. It was RESOLVED to approve and engage M.S.H. Tree Services Ltd ( Bingham) at £1600, providing it can be agreed that the root grinding out is to a 12" depth and the logging of wood to a manageable size. Dates will be requested for the work to commence.
- 25/26/129** Allocate any spare allotment plots to the waiting list.  
 - Waiting Person 1 will be offered plot 8 which is available, otherwise it will be offered to Waiting Person 2. If a further plot becomes available in the short-term then it will be automatically offered out to Waiting Person 2.
- REPORTS (information only)**
- 25/26/130** Update report on flooding, including the natural flood management plan.  
 - Natural Flood Management: An update has been provided by Notts County Council. The main operational works for this year, including leaky barriers and bunds, has been completed to the north of the village, adjacent to the A46. Following some final cosmetics works, still to be completed, there will be a walk-around arranged, which is likely to be in the new year.  
 - Rookery Corner: The legal operational agreement has been signed in the last few days, so contractor work is to proceed imminently. The bank rebuild will not go ahead until the above operational work is completed. Work will commence at the dyke end.  
 - Severn Trent Water: An update has been received about the ingress of surface water into the sewage system, which has now been lessened. The full written update is to be shared from Notts County Council to the Parish Councillors.
- 25/26/131** Update report on road and traffic issues.  
 - Public Transport: A request for the bus timetable to be changed has been submitted by the County Councillor to the bus company. There is an admission by the bus company that there are issues but the solution is not yet available.  
 - Junction of Radcliffe Road and Main Street: The funding for the works for the Radcliffe Road/Main Street junction are built into the new financial year. In the meantime, road white-lining would be a good short-term safety improvement but it is not clear when this service could be offered - it will depend when the crews are available.  
 - Wider area: The hope for a 50mph limit from Saxondale through to Cropwell Butler is being resisted so is likely not to happen.
- 25/26/132** Clerk's report.  
 - It has been reported that there is a building of possible bonfire on an allotment. The Allotment Policy will need to be updated to include a limitation to only safely burn vegetation generated through the allotment plot.  
 - Tomato energy have ceased trading so waiting for Ofgem to allocate a replacement electricity supplier - we will need to review how this impacts costs.  
 - There has been a complaint about fallen leaves in and around the Cemetery.  
 - There will be an interment of ashes in the Cemetery on Wednesday 26th November at 12:30.  
 - Digestate has been offered for use by allotment tenants - however, it is not thought that delivery would be possible or practical in bulk form.
- 25/26/133** Update on Village Hall Committee.  
 - The Village Hall Committee Parish Councillor so the election process can now be followed - It has been reported that it is well run and well attended. There will need to be a resolution to the method of taking and managing bookings as the incumbent manager is retiring.
- 25/26/134** Update on village assets.  
 - The Lychgate maintenance project is now complete. There was a vote of thanks to Cllr Jeremy Williams, Chris Davenport, and others involved.
- NEXT MEETING**
- 25/26/135** Consider agenda items for the next meeting on 8th December 2025 commencing 7.00pm.  
 - There was a question about the Unitary Council boundaries (LGR) – three options are to be submitted to central government at the end of November.  
 Close meeting.  
 - The meeting was closed at 8.45pm.

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Name: J. Williams Date: 25/11/25 Signature: 