

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29th September 2026

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Part 1: Public and press present

Present:

- Cllr. D. Billington
- Cllr. D. Furness
- Cllr. A. Meadowcroft
- Cllr. B. Smart
- Cllr. Peter Wain
- Elizabeth Worrall – Clerk

Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

1729 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Cllr. S Forster, Cllr. Paul Wain and Cllr. Smetham had sent their apologies for absence. Cllr. Paul Wain has tendered his resignation as a Councillor to Cllr. Meadowcroft. The Clerk will e-mail to confirm this. Thanks were extended by all to Cllr. Paul Wain for his work and commitment to the Parish Council.

1730 To receive any declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

1731 To receive and resolve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held July 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting.

1732 To receive a report from Cheshire East Ward Councillor if present.

Cllr. Smetham had sent a brief written update:

The Clerk provided a brief verbal report from Cllr. Smetham focussing on Peak Cluster and the new conservative candidate for the Mayor and the Ward. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would post a link to the Peak Cluster website on the Parish Council website with a suitable news article to inform residents.

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1733 To receive an update on Village Maintenance projects

Cllr. Billington is monitoring the work on the noticeboard. This will be completed ahead of the next meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** to complete a litter pick on 31st October 2026 9.30am. The Clerk will make the usual arrangements for litter picking equipment and will issue a risk assessment as well as updating the Parish Council website. Cllr. Furness will arrange for this to be announced in Church.

1734 To receive an update on Highways

The work on the Siddington crossroads will now take place in Spring 2027. This has been delayed due to the United Utilities work in Marton taking longer than expected. The Parish Council have asked Councillor Smetham to advise Highways that this work has been delayed numerous times and it remains a dangerous junction in the absence of lane markings

The Clerk will report the trees at the Siddington crossroads via TRACE, requesting that these are cut back.

Cllr. Meadowcroft will speak to the local contractor to ask him to undertake a second weedkilling of the pavements along the A34 extending down to the sailing club entrance

The Parish Council will liaise with Cheshire East, once evidence of the problem has been compiled, as there are ongoing issues with motorhomes parking at Redesmere. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

1735 To receive an update on the Parish Council website

The Clerk will update the website with any events which will be fed in from: Councillors, the Parish Magazine and the Capesthorpe website. This will also include events that the Parish Councils arrange themselves such as litter picks and the Annual Parish Meeting. The Clerk will update the events page with upcoming events. The Clerk will contact Capesthorpe and let them know that the Parish Council will list their events on the website.

1736 To receive an update on the Local Council network session and the Local Plan

Cllr. Meadowcroft attended a meeting on the Local Plan Scoping Consultation. A verbal update on this was provided by Councillor Meadowcroft – there is no action for the Parish Council to take until the next round of consultation in 2027.

It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the decision, made by Councillor Meadowcroft, to not submit a comment to the scoping consultation.

1737 To consider the following planning applications and any others since the publication of the agenda

There were no planning applications.

1738 To ratify the comments submitted for the following applications which required comments before this meeting

[26/2636/HOUS](#) - - BROADWOOD Blackden Lane, Siddington, Macclesfield, Cheshire East, SK11 9LT- Remodelling/improvements including demolition of existing outrigger and replace with small extension (area of footprint unchanged) and add 2 no. conservation type rooflights to unseen roof-plane
The Parish Council has no objections to this application.

It was **RESOLVED** to ratify the above comment.

1739 To consider increasing the Clerk's salary to SCP14 (£15.82/hour), following an additional year's employment by the Parish Council

It was **RESOLVED** to increase the Clerk's salary to SCP14.

1740 To confirm that the Clerk's pay will increase in line with the new NALC pay-scale as of 1st October 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to increase the Clerk's salary in line with the new NALC pay-scale, as of 1st October.

1741 To confirm back pay arrangements for the period 1st April – 30th September 2026

It was **RESOLVED** to award the Clerk back pay for the period 1st April – 30th September 2026.

1742 To receive and resolve to approve the accounts for payment

BALANCE OF ACCOUNT – £8,979.78 (as of 1st September 2026)

Payments listed below in italics were made after the balance above was verified and the bank reconciliation was completed

PAYMENTS MADE

Siddington Village Hall	£25.00
S Forster Expenses (defib)	£132.00
TCS Management	£67.50
Parishes Online	£258.00
B Smart Expenses (village sign)	£76.15
Clerk Salary (July)	£98.00
Clerk Homeworking Allowance (July)	£26.00
Clerk Salary (Aug)	£98.00
Clerk Homeworking Allowance (Aug)	£26.00

PAYMENTS TO BE APPROVED

Clerk Salary (Sept)	£98.40
Clerk Homeworking Allowance (Sept)	£26.00
HMRC	£196.40
Clerk Salary (Oct)	£TBC
Clerk Homeworking Allowance (Oct)	£26.00

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Siddington Village Hall	£25.00
D Furness Expenses (powder coating)	£280.00
Shona Amies (old website)	£250.00
Pete Davies (spraying)	£346.50

RECEIPTS

Interest (end July)	£10.40
Interest (end August)	£10.72

It was **RESOLVED** to sign the Bank Reconciliation and approve the above payments.
Cllr. Furness will confirm his bank details with the Clerk.

1743 Any other correspondence

It was **RESOLVED** to move the March 2027 meeting to Wednesday March 3rd to avoid clashing with the election period, provided the Village Hall is available.

Cllr. Forster had sent a verbal report confirming that consumables for the defibrillator will still be available.

Cllr. Meadowcroft does not plan on attending the liaison group meeting in October 2027.
It was decided not to further progress the desktop work undertaken by Cheshire Wildlife Trust on wildlife corridors at the present time

1744 To note the date of the next Parish Council meeting to be held on Tuesday 24th November 2026

Future meeting dates for 2026 – 2027:

Tuesday 26th January

Wednesday 3rd March (pending confirmation from Village Hall)

Tuesday 25th May

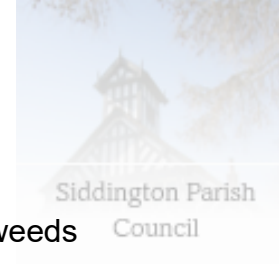
Action Points

- The Clerk will e-mail Cllr. Peter Wain to confirm his resignation as Councillor.
- The Clerk will write a suitable news item for the website, containing information about Peak Cluster.
- Cllr. Billington will continue to monitor the repair work on the noticeboard.
- The Clerk will make the usual arrangements for litter picking equipment with Cheshire East (dropping off at Cllr. Meadowcroft's house).
- The Clerk will issue a risk assessment for the litter pick.
- The Clerk will update the Parish Council website, with a news story about the litter pick.
- Cllr. Furness will arrange for details about the litter pick to be announced in Church.

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- The Clerk will report the trees at the Siddington crossroads via TRACE, requesting that these are cut back.
- Cllr. Meadowcroft will speak to the local contractor to ask him to spray the weeds growing through the pavements in the village.
- All Councillors will attempt to gather evidence of “problem parking” at Redesmere, for this to be submitted to Cheshire East.
- The Clerk will update the events page on the website with upcoming events.
- The Clerk will contact Capesthorne and let them know that the Parish Council will list their events on the website.
- Councillor Meadowcroft will seek assistance from Redesmere residents in obtaining evidence with regard to the motorhome parking.