

CURBRIDGE AND LEW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting
Parish Hall, Curbridge, Monday 11th May 2026, 6pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs. Glenn Gannon (Chair), Angela Boddington, Phil Boddington, Jenny O'Sullivan, Patrick Foley.

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public, Patrick Hook & Franny Eastham for 26/00770/FUL, Thomas Ashby (County Cllr), Liam MacKenzie (District Cllr), Howard Higgins (Clerk & RFO).

12. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

This being the first meeting following the election of the Parish Councillors each completed the declaration of acceptance of office. The Officers having been elected and this being the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, the Chair was elected: Chair - Glenn Gannon, proposed by Phil Boddington, seconded by Patrick Foley. Vice-chair - Phil Boddington, proposed by Glenn Gannon, seconded by Jenny O'Sullivan.

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

All completed documentation passed to the clerk. Patrick declared an interest in respect of item 7. Angela and Phil declared an interest in respect of item 12 (wooden posts).

15. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Parish Councillors aware of the vacancy and no prospective candidates have come forward for co-option. RESOLVED: Post to be advertised.

16. MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th April 2026, which had previously been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

17. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

Cllr Patrick Foley left the meeting.

18. FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATION

26/00770/FUL - Proposed development of a broiler breeder farm comprising 4 agricultural buildings and associated works. Deanery Farm, Station Road, Bampton. Presentation provided by the representatives for this planning application. Discussion followed. RESOLVED: No change in that there is no objection from the Parish Council. It is recognised that this planning application would in effect replace similar at Peashell Farm. Land at Peashell Farm is clearly subject to either residential or industrial development as identified in the WODC local plan Preferred Spatial Options Consultation. There is an ongoing planning application for residential development at Peashell Farm.

Cllr Patrick Foley returned to the meeting.

19. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

Liam welcomed as the new District Councillor. Liam provided an update on District Council matters. Thomas provided an update on County Council matters. Thomas has chased up OCC about traffic calming. Some discussion about the road surfacing works and how this is already breaking up at the

Main Road/A4095 junction (expected to be due to large vehicles). Some HGVs servicing the airbase still using Main Road.

20. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 26/00811/S73 - Variation of conditions 2 and 3 of permission 25/02664/S73 pursuant to permission 23/00535/FUL to allow adjustments to proposed finished floor levels, associated eaves and ridge levels to align with alterations to drainage scheme. Outback Barn, Lew Road, Curbridge. RESOLVED: No comments.
- 26/00708/HHD – Dropped kerb to create vehicular access and provision of off-road car parking. 60 Well Lane, Curbridge. RESOLVED: No comments.

21. FINANCE

RESOLVED: Payments: Wages (£386 + £76.70 & £60); Electricity (£360.75); Parish hall items (£48.25); Play area inspection (£42.22); Kitchener field bin emptying (£261.14); Internal audit (£135); Play Area grass cut (£120).

Bank balance as at 1st May 2026 = £37,100.12.

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 (AGAR) discussed.

- a. RESOLVED: Internal auditor report checked and agreed;
- b. RESOLVED: AGAR annual governance statement (section 1) agreed. New assertion 10 satisfied;
- c. RESOLVED: AGAR accounting statements (section 2) agreed.

22. WELL LANE PLAY AREA

April play area inspection signed by Chair. Unclear if further wood chippings now needed following latest WODC inspector report. RESOLVED: To review wood chippings following RoSPA report due in a few months.

23. SUNDRY NOTICES

- April Parish Hall inspection signed by Chair. New heater required. 5 year electrical inspection due. RESOLVED: same electrical contractor to carry out both jobs. Glenn to contact roofing contractor about possible loose tiles;
- Siting of wooden bollards/post in the grass verges along Well Lane discussed. RESOLVED: Provided such posts are agreed by Oxfordshire County Council and installed by their recommended contractor the Parish Council have no objection. Angela and Phil abstained from the discussion making process;
- Main Road Bus Shelter. Request received for seating at the shelter. Some discussion as the previous seating removed due to antisocial behaviour. RESOLVED: Glenn will research appropriate seating. However if seating results in the return of antisocial behaviour then the seating will be permanently removed;
- Grass cut discussed. Some issues with new contractor due to areas being missed but will be given time to rectify (errors due to changes of personnel). Some discussion about the Lord Kitchener field and the meadow appearance. RESOLVED: to ask the contractor to only cut the top half of the field to retain meadow appearance (but to cut down at the end of the season).

Meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.

Next Meeting - Monday 8th June.

Glenn Gannon, Chair of the Council
Signed 8th June