



Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13th April 2026 at Burton Court Bilsthorpe

Present: Cllrs; Steve Kemp (Chairman), A Ward, D Mincher, K McAdam, D Brickles, B Stanley
Notts CC Cllr B Laughton
NSDC Cllr R Holloway
4 members of the public
Clerk & RFO- Susan Stack

- 25.251 Apologies for absence
C Cooper, B Costello, B Jackson, R Stoneman
- 25.252 Declarations of pecuniary and/or personal interest
A Ward – Trustee of museum
- 25.253 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on the 9th March 2026
It was resolved to approve the minutes. (SK/AW)
- 25.254 To receive updates on outstanding items (if available):
Wycar Leys fly tipping – Chairman reported that the Parish Council had been in touch with the land agent to get the area cleared by the owner and is awaiting a call back. Building to be boarded up within the next few weeks. NSDC have been in touch with the owner/agent on our behalf too.
- 25.255 To consider application to be co opted onto Council with effect from 14th April 2026
The Clerk had been in contact with the applicant who had not been receiving e-mails and has left messages for them to call. As there has been no reply then it was resolved to put the application on hold pending further contact. (SK/DM)
- 25.256 Reports from District and County Councillors
Cllr Holloway – Planning for land west of Eakring Rd has gone to appeal. Grant for play parks has opened and has been sent £20k match funded limit. E-Mail from Claire Penny about youth hub on the park – funding available to engage with young people who may be causing an issue on the park and in other areas during the holidays. Clerk to scan and e-mail to Councillors and contact Daisy. Concern that it may impact on the school program for the younger age groups.
Cllr Laughton - Surface dressing with micro asphalt. Allendale, Crompton Rd, Cross St, Cul de Sac, Maid Marion Avenue, New Road, Rufford Close, Scarborough Rd, Saville Rd. We need to be prepared for some upheaval during the works.
Pot hole mending teams have gone up to 10 from 4 (was previously 8) so should get a better service. Emergency resurfacing on A617 being undertaken very shortly following numerous reports. Categorisation is going to be abolished which should see better service going forward.
A614 start date to be advised to Council by BL.
BL to investigate waste and tools left at recent repair site and ironworks left in dangerous state with David Langford, director of highways and waste. Are VIA checking sites after contractors have finished?
Top of Mickledale Lane sign for the museum has been taken – advised to put through the VIA group meetings
- 25.257 Reports from community groups (CG), working groups (WG) and designated responsibility Cllrs (DR)
- Speedwatch CG
Not present
 - Flood Resilience team CG (MPurdy)
No feedback as yet
 - Village Hall WG (CC,KM,BJ,BS)
No updates
 - Remembrance WG (CC,BC,BS,AW)

No updates

- Emergency Plan WG (SK,RS,BS)

No update

- VIA Group DR (DM,KM,MPurdy)

Sorted out cleaning of drains on Church Hill, awaiting next meeting date

- Parks DR (KM,BJ)

Some damage (SK to send photos) Clerk to find supplier

- CCTV DR (SK)

Video and stills of 6.30am incident have been sent to the police and an address has been ascertained for the culprit which will be passed on to the PCSO by the Chairman.

25.258 Councillor reports

None

25.259 Public questions (maximum 10 minutes)

LGA on Mickledale Lane to A614 discussed

Query on planning for the roundabout near Strawsons and housing applications (timing/relationship) DM to ask RH.

25.260 Correspondence (including e-mail to the council regarding bowls club funds)

It was resolved that the Council would accept the funds and ringfence for future community bowls related items (as agreed by the Council) (SK/DB)

25.261 To receive and consider current planning applications;

26/00191/PIP - Application for permission in principle for proposed residential development of a minimum of 4 dwellings and a maximum of 6 dwellings

Site Address: Field Reference Number 7509 Dale Lane Blidworth

Noted

25.262 To request boundary review to include Mickledale Lane properties be transferred from Rufford to Bilsthorpe PC (Re-align border with A614)

Clerk to approach NSDC ref Mickledale Lane and potential other areas (BS/KM) and to notify Rufford PC of our request.

25.263 To consider and adopt/re-affirm the following Terms of Reference

- Committee – Personnel – RS DM SK **Outstanding**
- Emergency Plan Working Group **Dormant**
- Designated responsibility Group Finance **Presented and approved**
- Designated responsibility Group VIA Liaison **Outstanding**

It was resolved to adopt the Finance Terms of reference (SK/AW)

25.264 To discuss – Standardisation of Defib units to Zoll. Options for purchase/lease available

Cllr Ward outlined a proposal to reduce the 4 different types we have at present and that standardising to Zoll AED Plus would be beneficial. The DeFib store in Derbyshire have advised that we can rent for less than purchase (£452.60p/annum for 5 years against £1,100 purchase per unit). Annual inspection and certification included.

Replacement pad costs and replacement batteries are also included. Trade in value of old units will be £100 each. EMAS and most ambulance foundations use Zoll. After initial 5 years we can either get a new unit or continue to hire at 15% discount. Cllr Kemp will learn how to check units to be a back-up for Cllr Ward. It was resolved to look into rental of six units for 5 years (AW/SK) Formal proposal to be prepared by SK and AW. Disposal of old units to go on April agenda for discussion.

Clerk to advertise for new homes for existing units on Facebook for consideration at May meeting

25.265 To discuss – Option of free Bleed kits available for Defib boxes

It was resolved to request bleed kits as we do not have any at the moment (SK/DB)

25.266 To discuss – Request for old village sign from Miners Welfare

It was resolved to make the donation (SK/KM)

25.267 To discuss – Membership of NALC at £1001.27 (from £884.17)

It was resolved to decline membership (SK/KM)

Note – Cllr Brickles left the meeting at this point

25.268 To discuss – Proposed change to litter picking recording, disposal of waste and bin capacities by Cllr Stanley **Noted. Resolved that BS will fill both bins this week and we**

will monitor charges that come through.

- 25.269 To discuss – Increase to £2.40 per bin (for 11 bins) from NSDC as of 1st April and increase of 6% on ENVA village hall bins (2) from 1st March. No change in budget for 26/27 required at this stage. **Noted**
- 25.270 To note – Fuel surcharge in place with ENVA **Noted**
- 25.271 To discuss – Graffiti on Crompton Road park including options available for repainting or employing graffiti artist, applying graffiti resistant coating and cleaning/maintenance of areas that cannot be painted (skateboard ramps) **Difficulty getting quotations. Defer to April.** Update on recent incidents of graffiti reported previously. **Resolved that we ask NSDC to undertake additional cleaning works for whole park up to £1,500 maximum. (SK/AW)**
- 25.272 To consider – reallocation of Bench fitting contract as NSDC unable to give installation date, Alternative quotation(s) received.
Quotation, three suppliers approached with one quote at £1,050 or £1,520 depending on the type of base with top seed and finish off. Will move plaque and fabricate brackets required. Resolved to accept quote for £1,520 from DMH (SK/KM)
- 25.273 To discuss – Matters concerning the Crompton Road Hub as follows:
a. To agree the additional expenditure for completion of the Community Hub business case and funding documentation
It was resolved that £1000 be allocated from reserves and that Craig Mulhall be appointed to undertake the business case study as per report (SK/KM)
b. To agree the proposed approach for the operation of the Community Hub site
It was resolved to agree the proposal as set out in the report to run the café etc in house (SK/KM)
- 25.274 To consider financial matters; to review and approve:
a. Bank Reconciliation – to be reviewed by one Councillor and signed as accurate
b. Previous month's invoices - to be reviewed by two Councillors and signed as accurate
c. Budget and financial status
d. Invoices to be paid, **Approved payment to C2C, declined RCan membership**
All approved (SK/KM)
- 25.275 To decide on disposal of tablets
Steve Kemp and B Stanley returned their units. Councillors have been reminded by WhatsApp. SK to contact school to ask if they would want them (after cleaning)
- 25.276 To consider replacement fencing on Crompton Road park border -RS
Defer until April as RS not present. Potential access discussed
- 25.277 Update on repair to roof adjacent to Heritage Museum -RS
Defer until April as RS not present
- 25.278 Summary of the meeting (time permitting, maximum 10 minutes)
None present
- 25.279 Date of next meeting(s) 11th May (APM), 8th June, 13th July, 10th August, 14th September, 12th October, 9th November, 14th December
To note that potential agenda items must be with the Clerk by 2nd May 2026
Noted