



**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish held on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at Burton Court Bilsthorpe**

**Present Cllr S Kemp – Chairman. Cllrs Mincher, Stoneman, Jackson, McAdam, Stanley and Ward. 3 members of the public, Clerk Susan Stack  
Apologies from Cllrs D Brickles, B Costello, C Cooper**

1. To approve the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the 12th May 2025 and discuss any matters arising – a full copy of the minutes can be found on the Bilsthorpe Parish Council website.  
**The minutes were agreed to be accurate. (SK/AW)**
  
2. To receive the Chairman’s Annual Report  
**Cllr Steve Kemp reported that the Crompton Rd Hub planning, Mickledale Close flooding and Church Hill flooding have progressed well. In addition we now have a litter picker on a permanent basis. The council operated within budget. He gave thanks for all the work of the Councillors along with Andy, Marie and other residents who work hard for us.**
  
3. To receive reports from the District and County Councillor’s  
**Cllr Holloway reported - submit monthly reports to keep the Parish Council up to date on my activities and send across any information/grant funding etc from Newark and Sherwood District Council that may be useful.**  
**My biggest achievements this year are around the New Village Hub, succeeding in getting grant funding to enable RIBA 4 Works to get underway, overall the funding applied for and received under the UK Government Rural Prosperity funds and UK Government Shared prosperity funds amount to £87,700, this was specifically to enable the cost of the Professional fees for the Architects and associated reports required for RIBA 1- to be met from external funding sources. This represents a huge saving to the Parish Council funds. Planning permission for the build was agreed back in December 2025 I have been lobbying for funding from Newark and Sherwood District Council to enable the Village Hub to become a reality, I am delighted that the scheme has been offered at £1.2 million pounds from Newark and Sherwood District Council, this is a major achievement and brings much needed funding into our village.**  
**As District Councillor I have lent my support to funding applications from the Scouts, the Food and the Sports club which brings in a further £30,000 of funding to the village, through NSDC Newark and Sherwood District Council are now involved with many of the clubs and activities that take place in the village which is excellent.**  
**One of my main manifesto pledges when standing as a candidate for election back in 2019 and again in 2023 was to raise the profile of Bilsthorpe village at Newark and Sherwood district council and to bring in Officer support, resources and funding into the village. I like to think that this pledge has been fully met and I am proud of that achievement.**  
**The Chairman and Councillors thanked Cllr Holloway for her support.**
  
4. Questions, comments, and statements from members of the public  
**Thanks were given to the Councillors and Cllr Holloway who have been in site and hands on when needed. Sadly we are disappointed with lack of support from the NSDC.**