

CREATON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

13TH JANUARY 2026

MINUTES

Chair: Councillor Sylvia Winter

Clerk: Katrina Jones, 77 High Street, Naseby, Northants NN6 6DD, Email: creatonpc@gmail.com

Minutes of the Creaton Parish Council Meeting

Held on **Tuesday 13th January 2026 at 7.30pm**
at Creaton Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Sylvia Winter (Chair), Ian Horne (Vice- Chairman), Ross Everson-Watts, C Reading and Simon James.

In attendance: Katrina Jones (Clerk), WNC Ward Cllr Christine Ware and two members of the public.

1. **To Receive and Approve Apologies for Absence:** None.
2. **To Confirm Minutes of Meetings:** : It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2025 which were duly signed by the Chair.
3. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
4. **Public Forum:**
 - i. Two members of the public spoke regarding item 7a.ii regarding planning application 2025/4838/FULL to express their concerns in respect of the lack of privacy and overlooking into the neighbouring property.
 - ii. WNC Ward Councillor Christine Ware provided a report on West Northamptonshire Council matters such as the budget and local plan. She also provided an update on traffic surveys carried out on the A5199.
5. **To Fill Vacancies by Co-option (2 vacancies):** No applications had been received.
6. **Finance**

Bank Balance on Bank Statement as at 31st December 2025:

Unity Trust Current Account **£32,328.73**

a. Receipts:

		£
Burial and Plot Fees		286.00

Noted.

b. Payments for Approval:

	Cost	£ Vat	Total
i. Katrina Jones (Clerk Salary and home use payment November)	770.69	0.00	770.69

ii. Katrina Jones (Clerk Salary and home use payment December)	770.69	0.00	770.69
iii. HMRC - November	234.88	0.00	234.88
iv. NEST Pension –November	65.72	0.00	65.72
v. HMRC –December	234.88	0.00	234.88
vi. NEST Pension – December	65.72	0.00	65.72
vii. Yu Energy – electricity supply for street lights – December	139.36	6.97	146.33
viii. Yu Energy – electricity supply for street lights – November	124.99	6.25	131.24
ix. Yu Energy – electricity supply for street lights – October	111.35	5.57	116.92
x. Yu Energy – electricity supply for street lights – September	30.06	1.50	31.56
xi. Unity Trust – service charge – November	6.00	0.00	6.00
xii. Unity Trust – service charge – December	6.00	0.00	6.00
xiii. NCALC for Cemetery Management and Compliance Course attended by Clerk	88.00	17.60	105.60
xiv. SLCC for membership fee	134.00	0.00	134.00
xv. Village Link for December/January and February/March editions	100.00	0.00	100.00
xvi. Scribe – 1 st month subscription, January 2026	31.00	6.20	37.20
xvii. Cawleys – waste disposal – December	43.20	8.64	51.84
xviii. Cawleys – waste disposal – November	29.88	5.98	35.86
xix. Eon for street light maintenance	142.50	28.50	171.00
xx. West Northamptonshire Council for election costs	64.50	0.00	64.50
xxi. HP - Laptop	332.50	66.50	399.00
xxii. K Jones reimbursement for stationery – printer paper	10.74	0.00	10.74
xxiii. Creaton Playing Field Association - Grant	1000.00	0.00	1000.00
xxiv. The Diocese of Peterborough - War memorial Faculty fee	295.00	0.00	295.00
xxv. K Jones reimbursement for Microsoft 365 renewal	70.83	14.16	84.99
xxvi. Parish Online for gov.uk email accounts	160.00	32.00	192.00
xxvii. Scribe – accounts set up fee	249.00	49.80	298.80
xxviii. Eon for street light maintenance – September 2025 invoice	142.50	28.50	171.00

xxix. YourLocale for NDP consultant fees	1000.00	200.00	1200.00
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It was **RESOLVED** to approve all of the above payments.

- c. **List of Payments and Receipts to be Received and Bank Reconciliation up to 31st December 2025 to be approved:** It was **RESOLVED** to approve the bank reconciliation up to 31st December 2025.

7. Planning Matters:

a. To consider the following planning applications:

i. Application No: 2025/4418/MAF

Proposal: Demolition of existing stable building and menage. Construction of 6-bedroom dwelling house, garage block, pool block, stable, menage and turning pen, dovecote, solar array and associated landscaping.

Location: Green Stables Welford Road Creton NN6 8NH

It was **RESOLVED** that there was no objection to this application.

ii. Application No: 2025/4838/FULL

Proposal: Replace existing lean to side extension, enlarge rear sun room, replace existing tile roof with natural slate, and add solar panels to rear pitched roof of garage

Location: 3 The Old Rectory High Street Creton NN6 8NB

It was **RESOLVED** to object to this planning application due to the planning reasons of loss of privacy and overlooking. It was **RESOLVED** to request that the application be considered by the WNC Planning Committee.

b. To Note Planning Inspectorate Decision:

Appeal Ref: APP/W2845/D/25/3370865

Location: 2 Home Farm Close, Creton, West Northamptonshire NN6 8NE

Decision: The appeal is dismissed.

Noted.

- 8. To Receive Update on Neighbourhood Plan and Agree Any Actions including additional funding:** Cllr Reading provided an update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan. It was **RESOLVED** to agree a total expenditure of £4,000 on the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 9. To Consider Correspondence Regarding Litter Picking and Agree Date of Next Litter Pick:** The correspondence received was noted and it was agreed to arrange a litter pick date on 29th March at 10am, meeting outside the Jomidar Lounge, which will be advertised on the website. Facebook and in the village link.

10. **To Receive Update and Agere Any Actions Regarding Noticeboard and Light Repair:** Cllr James reported that the glass in the noticeboard has cracked. It was agreed that Cllr Reading would obtain a revised quote for the repair of the noticeboard with an alternative to glass. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quote provided by an electrician to repair the light and agreed that the Clerk would ask them to proceed with the work.
11. **To Consider Purchase of Hand Speed Guns as Part of Speed Watch Campaign:** It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would register the Parish Council's interest in the scheme and ask for volunteers in the Village Link. It was also agreed that the Clerk would ask Thornby and Spratton Parish Councils if they like to share a speed gun and combine volunteers.
12. **To Agree Budget for 2026/27:** It was **RESOLVED** to agree a budget for 2026/27 with an expenditure of £34,511.
13. **To Agree Precept for 2026/27:** It was **RESOLVED** to agree a precept of £32,400.
14. **To Receive Update and Agree Any Actions Regarding Memorial Risk Assessment Be Carried Out to Check Headstones:** The Clerk provided an update and it was agreed to approach other Parish Councils to find a contractor that was able to carry out a risk assessment.
15. **To Adopt IT Policy:** It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the proposed IT Policy with an amendment to clause 13 to state that the Parish Council will provide 'access to' regular training.
16. **To Agree Contents of Village Link Article:** It was **RESOLVED** to include the following items: litter pick date, new council email addresses, councillor vacancies, speed watch volunteers and request that cars do not park on The Green.
17. **To Note Next Meeting: Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 7.30pm:** Noted.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.