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## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at 1930 hrs in Clipston Village Hall.

Attendees: Chairman I May, Councillors Fellows, Price, Wilford and Hackett.

Clerk: Mrs C E Valentine.

664/26	<b>TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE</b> Apologies received and approved for Cllr Alderson-Smith and Warren. (personal) Cllr Booker not present.
665/26	<b>TO CONFIRM ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON THE AGENDA</b> Members should disclose any interests in the business to be discussed and are reminded that the disclosure of a disclosable pecuniary interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting room during the transaction of that item of business. None
666/26	<b>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b> Members of the public are invited to address the council. Members of the public should address their representations through the Chairman. Maximum permitted time 30mins at the Chairman's discretion. No members of public
667/26	<b>UPDATE FROM UNITARY COUNCILLORS</b> To receive updates from Unitary Councillors. Apologies received from Ward Cllr Irving-Swift Ward Cllr Ware (Naseby Ward) via Sibbertoft PC meeting passed on message that she is investigating highways matters linked to Sibbertoft/Naseby. Sibbertoft PC are in support of action to be taken at the crossroads and poor condition of surrounding roads including Longhold Road and abandoned road signage as they have also heard mention of complaints and have seen the issues. Offered to progress with Highways.
668/26	<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 as a correct record.
669/26	<b>PLANNING</b> a) To receive any applications for consideration not otherwise on the agenda. search, comment and view decisions: <b>b) NEW applications Please see table end of agenda for planning register Clipston</b> <a href="https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/view-and-comment-planning-application">https://www.westnorthants.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/view-and-comment-planning-application</a> 2026/2042/FULL The Hawthorns Kelmars Road Clipston LE16 9RX – application reviewed with no comment. c) Feedback regarding the Local Plan Update (Rural Areas) – Cllr Price attended the meeting. There is currently no housing allocation for Clipston and at this stage of the plan not much more to report. d) Consider reviewing and updating Clipston Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) and the expenditure. The Neighbourhood Development Plan will require updating to bring it inline with the new Local Plan from WNC and the National Planning Policy Framework. At national level the planning strategy is being amended and so when this is complete at a local level Clipston can review its NDP.
670/26	<b>SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION - CROSSROADS</b> Speed Limit Reduction Project – an application has been submitted by the Highways Consultant for a 40mph speed limit reduction – awaiting feedback from Highways. Request made for further survey and costs for decision – no further update pending above. information on East Farndon's recent speed limit review. - no further info pending above.



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671/26	<b>MATTERS ARISING AND OUTSTANDING FROM THE MEETING OF THE 6<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>																								
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clipston in Bloom project –update from the working group and request for sponsorship for planters. The event is well into preparation, and the group are mindful of the budget to make the day a successful community event. Noted VIDA are unable to help with sponsorship.</li> <li>2. Update The Rt. Hon. Stuart Andrew MP Meeting with Anglian Water (Case Ref: ST10819) regarding the water supply disruption that affected residents. Email from resident reporting issue to Anglian Water. The Parish Council discussed the impact the ongoing reduced water supply issues has had on the village and although this is ordinarily outside the Parish Councils remit to support the community a meeting would be most welcome with Anglian Water. Clerk to respond to The Rt. Hon. Stuart Andrew MP. Noted thanks to the member of public for also highlighting the issue.</li> <li>3. VIDA Biodigester updates It was <b>RESOLVED</b> for the Chairman to contact the organisation to report the HGV's have been seen turning left to go through the village and also waiting roadside to enter the site and the signage appears to have gone to remind HGVs to not do this. The road is not wide enough for the vehicles to park or turn left.</li> <li>4. Police Liaison Representative – Update from AW – Cllr Wilford has information packs for residents and Clerk to see return of a second box with leaflets. A “spam” email has been circulating locally about fire detectors with misinformation.</li> <li>5. Cob wall adjacent to the village hall carpark. WNC planning are investigating the cob wall. – Awaiting Planning conservation team. Clerk to chase.</li> <li>6. Phone box restoration – quotes for lettering – possible historic furniture. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to proceed with replacement lettering at £135.00 rather than heavy duty stickers.</li> <li>7. Street lighting project – updates for decision – pending installation</li> <li>8. Reported issues with traffic and noise and use of IBCs impacting residents as a result the caravan night club fest. Suggestion to request more communication and mitigation. A number if residents were impacted with no water for up to 3 days in the village during the event because of the demand in water supply to feed the event. The village was also impacted by traffic. Although this particular event is only every three years it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to contact the event organisers and Kelmarsh Hall to make them aware of the issues and request mitigation plans for any other future events.</li> <li>9. Plan to coordinate youth activities. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to hold a separate meeting September time with plenty of notice in advance to other organisations in the village with welcome of suggestions for youth projects.</li> </ol>																								
672/26	<p><b>VILLAGE MAINTENANCE</b> Current FixMyStreet reports Clipston: matters reviewed and noted as outstanding.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="240 1565 1436 2002"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Ref</th> <th>Issue</th> <th>Status</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>May 26</td> <td>9507324</td> <td>Drain &amp; Water meter collapsing Harborough Road Clipston</td> <td>28 day repair from 01.06.26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>May 26</td> <td>9421897</td> <td>Multiple potholes Longhold Road</td> <td>14.05.26 {Priority 4 Repair 26 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>April 26</td> <td>9343716</td> <td>Potholes/ruts -strip of tarmac sinking from recent work Harborough Rd leading towards the green/centre village</td> <td>24.04.26 priority 4 repair 26 weeks</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 26</td> <td>8931785</td> <td>Road breaking up near Gravel Pit Farm</td> <td>Investigating at 16.02.26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb 26</td> <td>8935142</td> <td>Blocked drain Naseby Road</td> <td>16.02.26 investigating – no change gully blocked – not resolved at 25.05.26</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Ref	Issue	Status	May 26	9507324	Drain & Water meter collapsing Harborough Road Clipston	28 day repair from 01.06.26	May 26	9421897	Multiple potholes Longhold Road	14.05.26 {Priority 4 Repair 26 weeks	April 26	9343716	Potholes/ruts -strip of tarmac sinking from recent work Harborough Rd leading towards the green/centre village	24.04.26 priority 4 repair 26 weeks	Feb 26	8931785	Road breaking up near Gravel Pit Farm	Investigating at 16.02.26	Feb 26	8935142	Blocked drain Naseby Road	16.02.26 investigating – no change gully blocked – not resolved at 25.05.26
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	<b>Feb 26</b>	8822955	Two temp road closure signs and frames left outside Clipston church	16.02.26 – no action not resolved chase.
	<b>Dec 25</b>	8550269	Potholes x4 Church Lane	The expected completion date for these works will be on or before 17/6/26 -noted
	<b>Nov 24</b>	6795821	Collapsed bridge wall (Footpath CH23)	Still awaiting repair (24-month closure issued) - requested update from Kier.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>To escalate as priority, multiple ongoing issues regarding poor condition of road Longhold Road/ crossroads, potholes, markings and various temporary road signs still not collected in the parish and blocked drains. – confirmed to escalate. Requesting again rumble strips Longhold Road crossroads and raise the questions about repairs to the original iron railings around the crossroads. Noted drains still not fixed in the village nor signage removed.</b></li> <li>• <b>Cllr Fellows noted hedge overgrown in the village Kelmars Road obscuring visibility for traffic.</b></li> </ul>			
<b>673/26</b>	<b>FINANCE</b> – It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the following:			
a)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve Unity Trust Bank Balance on 05.06.26 £36,095.47</li> <li>2. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to note Income £41.00 Zurich insurance refund. Bank Reconciliation circulated to Councillors.</li> </ol>			
b)	It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the following payments for June 2026			
c)	<b>Who</b>	<b>Amount £</b>	<b>Powers to pay</b>	
	Clerk salary May 2026	*	LGA 1972, s112	
	HMRC PAYE Month 1	*	LGA 1972, s112	
	Yu Energy April 2026 Street Lighting	410.15	Highways Act 1980 s301	
	Yu Energy May 2026 Street Lighting	353.82	Highways Act 1980 s301	
	Unity Trust Bank service charge	7.00	LGA 1972, s111	
	The Plant Man – Clipston in Bloom project	317.50	Opens Spaces Act 1906	
	Parish Online – Local Authority Tech CIC inv 34UC018-0010 web and email annual; renewal fee	378.00	LGA 1972 s142	
	Protheroes Fuel mower April 26	45.30	Open Spaces Act 1906	
	Protheroes Fuel mower May 26 FC 526115	55.01	Open Spaces Act 1906	
	P Warren expenses Clipston in bloom project plants	299.95	Open Spaces Act 1906	
	Mowerfix – inv 2080 annual service and repair Stiga	715.92	Open Spaces Act 1906	
<b>674/26</b>	<b>INTERNAL AUDIT AND AGAR 2025 -2026</b>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Internal Audit Report - It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to the report from the Internal Auditor</li> <li>• It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the Section 1 Annual Governance Statement</li> <li>• It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the Section 2 Annual Accounting Statement</li> <li>• It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the notice period for the exercise Public Rights as Monday 15 June – Friday 24 July 2025.</li> <li>• It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to note the re-declaration of compliance for CLIPSTON PARISH COUNCIL was completed by the clerk for The Pensions Regulator</li> </ul>			
<b>675/26</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WNC Town and Parish Briefing <a href="#">Town &amp; Parish Briefing 46</a> link: <a href="https://sway.cloud.microsoft/PlfMcc80JeWX3Ewb?ref=email">https://sway.cloud.microsoft/PlfMcc80JeWX3Ewb?ref=email</a></li> <li>• <a href="https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/">https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/plant-trees/schools-and-communities/</a>), Grants of £250 to £2,500 are now /available from The Tree Council</li> </ul>			



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Over 55' Advice &amp; Information Fayre 1:30pm to 3:30pm at Moulton Community Centre, The Rt. Hon. Stuart Andrew MP.</li> <li>TTRO(26/27) W039 - Harborough Road, Clipston and Clipston Road, East Farndon the road will be closed, and it is expected that the works will likely commence on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026.</li> <li>Naseby Road Sibbertoft and Sibbertoft Road Clipston will be closed 13<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November to allow Anglian Water to complete mains renewals</li> <li>Foxton Hound Ultra - Saturday, 15th August 2026. More information on the race and the routes can be found on the website: <a href="https://raceharborough.co.uk/foxton-hound-ultra/">https://raceharborough.co.uk/foxton-hound-ultra/</a></li> <li>West Northamptonshire Council - Freight Action Plan - Stakeholder Event. Local Transport Plan workshop on the new Freight Action Plan Date – Thursday 02nd July 2026 Time – 2pm to 4pm, Vulcan Works, 34-38 Guildhall Rd, Northampton, NN1 1EW RSVP – 12th June 2026</li> <li>Parish Recharge Consultation Outcome- noted</li> </ul>
<b>676/26</b>	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b> (for discussion only no items can become decisions) Website updates and NDP- own heading section. 59/60 bus updates and service Next Meeting Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2026.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 20:56</p>

## 669/26 b) Planning register as of 26.05.26

Reference No.▶	Location▶	Proposal / Description▶	Valid Date▲	Decision Issue Date▶	Decision▶
<a href="#">2026/2042/FULL</a>	The Hawthorns Kelmars Road Clipston LE16 9RX	Addition of new external door to front face of property & entrance gate	25/05/2026		No Comments 02/07/2026
<a href="#">2026/1986/TCA</a>	Clipston Court 2 High Street Clipston LE16 9RU	Medium sized beech tree to reduce crown by 20% to keep clear of building and maintain a balanced shape.	12/05/2026		Pending
<a href="#">2026/1364/TCA</a>	1 Kelmars Road Clipston LE16 9RX	To fell 1x Ash within a conservation area	30/03/2026	06/05/2026	No Objections
<a href="#">2026/1269/FULL</a>	Ashfields Naseby Road Clipston LE16 9RZ	Single storey front extension	26/03/2026		Pending
<a href="#">2026/0044/FULL</a>	4 Gold Street Clipston LE16 9RR	Conversion of external store to habitable accommodation, construction of glazed link and works to garden wall	18/12/2025	08/05/2026	Approval