



## LITTLE MAPLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING of the Little Maplestead Parish Council held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at Saxby's Gestingthorpe Rd, Little Maplestead, CO9 2SJ

#### Minutes

**Present:** Cllr Piper, Cllr Crudgington, Cllr Went, Cllr Holloway  
**In the Chair:** Cllr Piper  
**Apologies:** Cllr Schwier, Cllr Mullineaux  
**Clerk:** Mrs Paula Sillett  
**Members of the Public:** None

1. **Apologies and reasons for absence:** received from Cllr Schwier, Cllr Mullineaux
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Councillors are asked to agree that the minutes of the extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 are a true and accurate account of the proceedings of this meeting.
3. **Declarations of Interest:** Councillors are advised to declare the existence and nature of any 'Disclosable Pecuniary', 'Other Pecuniary' or 'Non-Pecuniary' interests relating to items on the Agenda.
4. **County Matters:**
5. **District Matters:** Local Plan Review – discussed
6. **Public Forum:** For discussion of items on the Agenda and matters of mutual interest, maximum time of 15 minutes/3 minutes per contribution, or at the Chairman's discretion. Members of the Public who wish to raise any matter at this meeting or would like to participate in the Public Forum are invited to contact the Clerk by e-mail or phone.
7. **Councillors' Reports:**
  - 7.1 Additional Play Equipment for Playing Field:  
PS – Check on grant application  
CM – Investigate Greggs and other Supermarkets.  
PS – Playground inspection May – check cost regarding definition of '5' items.  
PS – Determine a Playground cleaning taskforce date.
  - 7.2 Potholes & Road Maintenance – Pothole in School Rd has been inspected..
  - 7.3 Assets Register – final report approved,
  - 7.4 Little Maplestead Village Hall Fund.: *There has been a deposit account in the name of Little Maplestead Village Hall fund, originally in a Black Rock account, transferred to Nat West. The account was made dormant by Nat west without discussion with us, as a result we have reopened it, and the councillors have decided to transfer the balance of £5511.90 to the Parish council general account. It has been agreed that this money can be used to assist towards the funding of additional playing field equipment. Refer to item 10. Financial Update*
  - 7.5 *Chair to stand down at AGM 2025. Helen Went to stand as new Chair at AGM..*  
*i) Consider co-opting a new Parish Councillor. Advert submitted for Parish Mag*
  - 7.6 Insurance – Pre renewal questionnaire – agreed no changes needed.

8. **Parishioner Correspondence:** Concern from 2 parishioners re: use of School Road & Cock Rd in Little Maplestead by HGV lorries. This is an ongoing issue. Agreed there has been an increase in HGV traffic in Little Maplestead. To be followed up with Highways and Planning to try to resolve the issue. BP & GH

BP - Email sent to Cllr Schwier, reply received & circulated to all Councillors

9. **Planning Consultations: None received.**

10. **Financial Report:**

10.1 Current bank balance £9,306.92

10.2 Payments £1,239.45 J&M Payroll 10.3 Receipts: £0

10.4 **Bank Charges** *Lloyds notification of Account Changes & Monthly Fee £4.25 (£51.00 per annum) Update on transfer of account to Natwest. Signatories agreed:-PS,HW,TC*

10.5 Precept 2025/2026 - Precept submitted as per agreed.

11. **Items for next Meeting Agenda**

Note: LGA 1972 Section 12 10(2) (b) states that all business for decision at the meeting must be specified in advance and Councillors cannot lawfully raise any other matter for decision.

12. **The Little Maplestead Parish Council 2025 meeting dates are:**

**AGM May 13<sup>th</sup>** venue *The Round Church, Little Maplestead,*

**July 15<sup>th</sup>, Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, Nov 18<sup>th</sup>**

Signed:

*P.A. Sillett*

Mrs P.A. Sillett  
Clerk to the Council  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025