

**CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BUDGET AND FINANCE**  
**COMMITTEE OF CAWTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN THE MOXON ROOM, CAWTHORNE VILLAGE HALL**  
**THURSDAY 11th DECEMBER 2025**

**Present**

Councillors: Cllr S Eyre, Cllr J Wilson, Cllr J Walker, Cllr Broadhead (Absent), Cllr Rusby (Absent)  
Cllr A Jackson (Observing)

Clerk: Mrs A.A. Winstanley

**Minute No 31 APPOINT A COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN**

Resolved that Cllr Wilson be appointed chairman for the year 2025/26

**Minute No 32 TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr Broadhead

**Minute No 33 REASON FOR ABSENCE**

Illness (Flu)

**Minute No 34 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

None declared.

**Minute No 35 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2024 be accepted as a true record. They were accepted as true and signed by the chairman.

**Minute No 36 CONTRACT FOR HEDGE CUTTING AND ASSOCIATED WORK IN THE CEMETERY**

**Resolved** that contract with JMB Contractors be continued for another year.

**Minute No 37 TREE WORK**

**Resolved** that the Parish Council will continue to use T & D

**Minute No 38 CARE OF CREMATION PLOTS**

**Resolved** that Ruthie Gardening Maintenance continue to be engaged to care for the cremation plots in the cemetery.

**Minute No 39 GARDENING SERVICES**

Resolved that Kevin Parsons will continue with this for the next year

**Minute No 40 GRANT AID**

**Resolved** that the following grant aid be in the budget

£50 to the Royal British Legion for the poppy wreath

£1000 to the Village Hall.

£2950 unspecified

Total £4000

It was also discussed that the payment to the Village Hall still needed paying for the current year.

**Minute No 41 TO DISCUSS NEW STREET LIGHTING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Clerk updated the committee on a meeting attended with BMBC regarding new cost implications regarding anything that was hung on the lampposts within the village (i.e hanging baskets) This cost would be for testing safety standards and would be £100. The existing baskets are fine, it applies to any new ones – It was resolved that this would be put on the agenda for the Full Council meeting in January.

**Minute No 42 REDECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE**

The Clerk updated the committee on an e mail received from 'The Pension Regulator' regarding pension implications – it was resolved that this be put on the agenda for the Full Council meeting in January.

**Minute No 43 DRAFT BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2026-27**

The Clerk presented the draft budget which was discussed and any amendments required were put in and the clerk will update for the Full Council meeting in January.

**Resolved** that the amended budget be recommended to full council.

**Minute No 44 RECOMMENDED PRECEPT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2026-27**

**Resolved** to recommend to the council that a precept of £26,000 be set and recommended at Full Council.

**Minute No 45 EXCLUDE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

None present.

**Minute No 46 CLERK'S SALARY AND REMUNERATION**

**Resolved** that this would be a matter for the staffing committee and needs removing from future agendas.

**Minute No 47 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Resolved** that the next meeting be held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2026 at 1.45pm  
Other meetings to be arranged as necessary.

There being no further business the chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting.