

# Longton Parish Council

Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on  
Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at **New Longton Village Hall** commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Alsop, Fox, Sumner, Turner, Mather, Garside, Riley and Porter

There were 7 members of the public present

23/26 To receive apologies

***Cllrs Molder and Welch***

24/26 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 (enclosed)

***It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record***

25/26 To receive Declarations of Interest

***Cllr Riley declared a personal and prejudicial interest relating to planning application 07/2026/00088/FUL since she lives in close proximity to the proposed development.***

***Cllr Fox declared a personal and prejudicial interest relating to planning application 07/2026/00088/FUL since she had already pre-determined her view on the proposals.***

***Both members left the room during the discussion and did not take part in the debate or voting on this item.***

26/26 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

*The meeting was adjourned*

*Some residents present raised concerns with regard to planning application 07/2026/00088/FUL since they were concerned about road safety should the access to the proposed development be granted since the proposed access via The Vinery was a very narrow road which already had issues with inconsiderate parking and that construction vehicles would likely make this worse to the detriment of neighbourhood amenity. It was mentioned that a previous application had been approved, however, the access to the development was from Station Road, which did not have the same issues as The Vinery. It was thought that this was a much better access route. Other concerns related to the removal of trees which had already taken place and that bats were present despite the ecology report presented with the planning documentation did not raise this as an issue.*

*Members of Longton Carnival Committee made a short presentation concerning the Longton carnival which was to be resurrected after 20 years and is scheduled to take place in May 2026. Arrangements are well in hand and support from residents and local businesses has been good following their organising of the Winter Wonderland last November, which was extremely well received and very successful.*

*The meeting was reconvened*

27/26 To consider the following planning application:

07/2026/00088/FUL – Erection of two dwellings and associated development to the rear of 42-46 Station Road New Longton PR4 4ZB with access from The Vinery.

***It was resolved that this Council should make comment concerning the issues raised by residents relating to road safety, the narrowness of The Vinery and the potential disturbance to neighbourhood amenity by construction vehicles suggesting that the original proposed access from Station Road would be much more suitable and convenient.***

28/26 To approve the following payments:

13/02/2026	LEYLAND GATES BKVC PLAQUE ERECTION NEW LONGTON	582.00
13/02/2026	VIKING DIRECT STATIONERY	209.73
13/02/2026	M RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	433.10
28/02/2026	BANK CHARGES	6.00
16/03/2026	GLOBAL ENERGY SERVICES SPORTS CLUB RADIATORS CIL	2016.00
16/03/2026	M RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	676.47
16/03/2026	BROXAP REPLACE FINAL 3 LITTER BINS	1155.60
16/03/2026	CPRE SUBSCRIPTION	60.00
16/03/2026	NEWGATE NURSERIES MATERILA LENGTHSMAN	14.46
26/03/2026	HMRC 4TH QTR	1596.16
26/03/2026	CLERKS SALARY 4TH QTR	2027.78
31/03/2026	BANK CHARGES	7.00

***It was resolved that the payments referred to above should be approved***

29/26 To consider a funding request from Longton Carnival Committee as outlined on the attached documentation which includes a summary of their accounts to date. If agreed the purchases would be required to be in the name of the Parish Council and payments settled by invoices addressed to the Parish Council who can then reclaim Vat and who would then 'gift' the purchases to the applicant group.

***It was resolved that the requested grant to Longton Carnival Committee should be approved at a figure of £920.50 which is a slight reduction to the amount originally requested as some items had already been purchased.***

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