

Longton Parish Council

Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held on
Tuesday the 23rd June 2026 at **New Longton Village Hall** which commenced at 7.30pm.

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

There were two members of the public present.

43/26 To receive apologies

Cllr Gooch

44/26 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 12th May 2026 (enclosed)

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th May 2026 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

45/26 To receive Declarations of Interest

Cllr Fox declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 8 on the agenda relating to a funding request received from Longton Carnival Committee in respect of their 2026 Winter Wonderland Event since she had predetermined her position on the matter prior to the meeting. Cllr Fox left the room and did not take part in the debate or voting on this matter.

46/26 To adjourn the meeting for a period of public participation

The meeting was adjourned

The members of the public present representing the Longton Carnival Committee gave a short presentation regarding the recent Longton Carnival Event which had been a highly successful event. They thanked the Council for their financial contribution to the event and stated that even more interest had been generated locally for next years planned repeat.

They went on to outline their further proposals for this year's Winter Wonderland Event, which is to take place on the 29th November 2026, which would be similar to last year but hopefully with the help of financial support from the Parish Council would include additional lighting, outdoor stalls and a second Christmas tree to be erected at the Golden Ball pub to further enhance the Christmas spirit in the village.

The meeting was reconvened

47/26 To consider the following planning applications:

07/2026/00410/HOH – Two storey front/side extension, single storey rear extension, dormers to front and rear following demolition of existing, together with a render and cladding finish @ 49 Franklands Longton PR4 5WD

It was resolved that no representation should be made to the above application.

48/26 To approve the following payments:

14/04/2026	TRUEFORM PART PYT BUS SHELTERS	1	22279.27
14/04/2026	GRANT LONGTON CARNIVAL	2	920.50
14/04/2026	M RAINFORF LENGTHSMAN	3	729.00
14/04/2026	VISION ICT DOMAIN RENEWAL	4	30.00
14/04/2026	APG LIGHTING FOR SPORTS AND SOCIIAL CLUB	5	1882.80
30/04/2026	BANK CHARGES	6	7.00

13/05/2026	RAINFORD LENGTHSMAN	7	834.75
13/05/2026	VISION ICT HOSTED EMAIL ACCOUNTS	8	288.00
13/05/2026	WISEMAN INTERNAL AUDIT	9	140.00
22/05/2026	TRUE FORM BUS SHELTER PROJECT	10	6603.28
22/05/2026	LCC ROOM HIRE	11	18.00
22/05/2026	ZURICH INSURANCE RENEWAL	12	575.60
31/05/2026	BANK CHARGES	13	7.00

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

49/26 To appoint a representative to the Hutton Grammar School Foundation Trust following the resignation of Cllr Gooch to that role.

It was resolved that Cllr Porter should be appointed as the representative for this Council to the Hutton Grammar School Foundation.

50/26 To consider the enclosed funding request from Longton Carnival Committee relating to the 2026 Longton Winter Wonderland Event.

It was resolved that the funding request should be approved as set out below in accordance with this Councils usual protocols:

1. 10 Lighting Column conversions to take modern illuminated Christmas displays at a cost of £270 per column total £1620 plus Vat

2. Installation and Removal at £95 per column total £570 plus Vat

3. Purchase 6 Illuminated Pole mount Displays £360 per pole mount total £2160 plus Vat

Total Cost £4350 plus Vat (Vat to be reclaimed by Longton Parish Council who will pay direct to suppliers for purchases and works as agreed above)

51/26 To appoint two members to function as final round judges for the 2026 Best Kept Garden Competition (Judging to take place during early August with presentation to winners etc being done at our October meeting)

It was resolved that Councillors Welch and Fox should once again be appointed as final round judges.

52/26 To exclude the public and press from the meeting under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be now transacted.

As all members of the public had left no resolution was required

53/26 To consider the applicants (details sent to members under separate cover) and appoint one applicant to the present casual vacancy on this Council.

It was resolved that Peter Sweeney be appointed to the casual vacant member position

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