

Carthorpe Parish Council

MINUTES

of the meeting held on Monday 19 October 2026
in Carthorpe Community Hall

Present

Mr David Foulds	- Parish Councillor (DF)	Cllr David Webster	- NY Councillor (DW)
Mr Charlie Craggs	- Parish Councillor (CC)	Mrs Maggie Haigh	- Clerk (MH)
Mr Nick Paterson	- Parish Councillor (NP)		

2 members of the public

26.69 Opening Remarks

26.69.1 DF opened the meeting at 7.40pm, advising that Mr Jonathon Jessop had resigned. As Deputy he would Chair the meeting.

26.70 Apologies for Absence

26.70.1 Mr Kevin Askham (KA) sent his apologies.

26.71 Declarations of Interest

26.71.1 There were no declarations of interest.

26.72 Minutes of Previous Meeting

26.72.1 The minutes of the meeting of 7 September 2026 were approved and signed as correct.

26.73 Matters Arising

26.73.1 *Footpaths* – the Little Carthorpe footpath issue had been reported and acknowledged by NYC Public Rights of Way, but no update received. **MH**
Village Tidy Up – DF thanked everyone for their efforts on the day. Footpath signage had been installed on the north side of the village. Additional signage requested from NYC to enable the south side to be completed. **MH**

26.74 Finance

26.74.1 *Receipts & Expenditure* - A brief summary of the financial situation was given: £5778.59 total closing balance which was split as follows: £2057.12 in the Current Account (Precept), £711.19 in CIL Savings Account (£2.50 interest received) (to be spent before 15 October 2027) and £3010.28 in Precept Savings Account (£7.86 interest received).

26.74.2 *Village Savings Account* - Total stands at £425.57 (£1.11 interest received).

26.74.3 *Citizens Advice Donation Request* – Agreed to be considered early 2027. **MH**

26.74.4 *Precept 2027/28* – discussions took place regarding the level of Precept funding required for 2027/28. DF advised that the remaining £2000 in the Current Account would be accounted for with various donations and defib supplies. The £3000 in the Precept Savings Account should remain in reserve. After some further discussions, all agreed that the 2027/28 Precept request should remain at £3000. NYC to be advised. **MH**

26.75 Planning

26.75.1 DF reported that 26/04773/REM - Wits End Planning Application Consultation had been responded to before the deadline date of 16 October 2026. No further planning applications had been received.

26.76 Councillor Report

- 26.76.1 DW advised that NYC projected a £17M budget deficit for 2026/27 and similar anticipated for 2027/28 due to several reasons including the cost of Children's Services, Home to School transport costs and homelessness. These deficits would have to come out of reserves. From 30 March 2027 Council Tax will rise by 4.99%, which is the maximum permitted by Government. DW expressed NYC's concern over not meeting Government requirements for a 5 year supply of building land. DW advised that he had attended a Nosterfield Quarry meeting regarding land restoration plans, as there is only a 3 year quarry supply left. CC questioned the restoration details regarding a nature reserve, claiming that originally the planning included a water sport facility, which seems to have been forgotten.

26.77 Review of Correspondence Received

- 26.77.1 All correspondence had been circulated.
- 26.77.2 *Stell Solar Farm* – DF advised that an email had again been received requesting support in objecting to the application. Discussions took place. Not one resident had raised concerns with any Councillor. Agreed that a poster should be displayed on the village noticeboard, signposting residents to www.stellsolarfarm.com

MH

26.78 Matters for Discussion

26.78.1 Resignations

Following the resignation of Mr Jonathon Jessop, DF agreed to Chair meetings until end March 2027. DF advised that he had previously said that he would step down from the PC at the end of March 2027 due to travel plans. However, he was now happy to continue but would not stand for Chair or Deputy Chair next year. MH advised that 'The Notice of Vacancy' must be displayed until 26 October 2026. Thereafter, NYC will advise if a resident can be co-opted onto the PC.

26.78.2 Remembrance Service

DF to attend and lay the wreath at St Lambert Church War Memorial on 11 November. The Chapel to be asked if they wish to hold a service at Carthorpe War Memorial on 8 November 2026.

DF

26.78.3 Vandalism

Low level vandalism has been reported on more than one occasion in the telephone box and notice board, with posters removed, magnets lost, doors left open and donated items being broken and damaged. DF suggested a generalised post about the issue on the village Facebook page. All agreed.

DF

26.78.4 Water Pump

All agreed that the water pump looks fantastic and is an asset to the village. Also noted that the War Memorial can now be better seen. Agreed that a thank-you be sent to Mr Jonathon Jessop, Mr Paul Vernon and Mr Gareth Perrin in recognition of the work involved.

MH

26.78.5 Thank-You

NP proposed that a card be sent to Mr Jonathon Jessop, thanking him for all the years and everything he achieved whilst serving on the PC. All agreed.

NP

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

The next **PC Meeting** will be held on **Monday 7 December 2026**
at 7.30pm in Carthorpe Community Hall.