

**Minutes of a meeting of Cowbit Parish Council held on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of March, directly following the Annual Parish Meeting which commenced at 7.30pm in Cowbit Village Hall, Barrier Bank, Cowbit.**

Present

Parish Councillors: Trevor Tyrrell (Chair), Chris Elliott and Jake Mason : Quorate

Clerk: Mrs Harrison

County Cllr Raymond Condell

District Cllrs: Andrew Woolf and Anthony Casson

7 Members of the Public

**77.** To receive and approve apologies for absence.

The Clerk advised that she had received apologies from Janet Barnes and Eric Fragale. It was resolved to approve these apologies.

The Clerk advised that she had also received apologies from District Councillor Thomas Sneath, and these were noted.

The Clerk notified members that Daniel Sandhu had not attended a meeting since July 2025 and that although he had been included in all communications, she had received no communication from him during the past 6 months.

Members resolved that Daniel Sandhu will cease to be a Member of Cowbit Parish Council.

**ACTION:** Clerk to notify Democratic Services at SHDC

**78.** To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to consider any requests for dispensations.

There were none.

**79.** To approve the Minutes of the January meeting and for the Chair to sign them as a true record.

It was resolved to approve the Minutes and the chairman signed them as a true record.

**80.** Matters arising from the Minutes, (not covered in this agenda).

There were none.

**81.** Clerk's Report on matters outstanding.

Village Information Boards

The Chair advised that he was still working on the village maps and that Janet Barnes is working on the wording to go alongside the maps.

Cow installations

Awaiting approval from LCC Highways with regards to utilities and suitability of fixings.

Members agreed that the installation of the cows should be put forward as a project for Cllr Condell's Volunteer Scheme.

District Councillors offered to contribute towards the costs once permission is given from LCC.

Cowbit Park Improvements

Members met with Tim Wall to approve the plans and have given the go ahead for him to put them out to tender.

**82. Finance Matters:**

- a. to receive Bank Reconciliations for January and February.

These were received and the Chairman signed the reports.

- b. to receive a Summary Budget Report.

The report was received with thanks.

- c. to approve invoices for payment received since the last meeting.

Payments totalling £3727.22 Net were approved for payment.

**83. Highways Matters:**

- a. Proposed 50mph speed limit, Mill Drove North & Fulney Drove.

Although the Parish Council would like to see the speed limit reduced further, they resolved to support the proposal.

Cllr Condell stated that he and another Cllr had requested a 40mph limit but were pushed back on it. However, he confirmed that there will be Give Way signs.

Cllr Casson said that there were STOP signs at those crossroads which seemed to work. Unfortunately they had been damaged in a collision and not replaced.

- b. To propose a project for the Cllr Volunteering Scheme.

It was resolved to put forward the scheme to install cows at the A16 roundabout, either side of Stonegate.

**ACTION:** Clerk to complete the form and forward it to Cllr Condell for his consideration.

- c. to receive the CSW report for January and February.

The Chairman read out the following figures from the report: -

14.01.2026 : Stonegate 30mph : 25 checked 2 over limit fastest 37mph

28.01.2026 : Stonegate 30mph : 21 checked 1 over limit fastest 42mph

04.02.2026 : Stonegate 30mph : 18 checked none over limit

25.02.2025 : Stonegate 30mph : 32 checked 4 over limit fastest 47mph

The Chairman thanked Martin and his team, saying that the figures showed that it was working.

Martin explained that he had recruited 2 new members to his team, although one is awaiting training.

**ACTION:** Clerk to email Jan Whitbourn to find out when the next training will be.

**84. Planning Matters:**

- a. to agree a response to any applications received since the last meeting.

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THE WILLOWS 2 MILL DROVE SOUTH COWBIT PE12 6FS    Front and rear single storey extensions to existing bungalow.    06-02-26    FULL    Undecided

Resolved that the PC supports this application.

H01-0080-26

41 BACKGATE COWBIT SPALDING PE12 6AP Proposed replacement porch 28-01-26

FULL Undecided

Resolved that the PC supports this application.

**85.** Police matters:

**a.** to receive the online Police report.

The most recent report online is for January 2026 and was as follows: -

**5 Crimes in total, reported in Cowbit**

<b>Type of Crime</b>	<b>On or Near</b>
1 x Violent or Sexual Offence	The Pastures
2 x Antisocial Behaviour	Croft Close
2 x Antisocial Behaviour	Bell Row Drove

**86.** Items to be included on the next meeting's agenda.

Co-option of Mr Sam Cook

**87.** To confirm the date of the Annual Council Meeting, currently set as Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> of May.

The date was confirmed.

Meeting closed at 21:12