

LAXTON AND MOORHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 14 July 2026 at Moorhouse Church, Moorhouse, Nottinghamshire

Present: Councillors:

S.Hill (Chair)

J. Hill

R. Creighton (from 7.55 pm)

In attendance at parish council meeting

C. Wilson (Clerk)

		ACTION
LMPC/89/26	Apologies for absence: Mrs Moorhouse, Mr Allarton, Mr Rose and Mr Hennell's apologies were received and accepted. Mrs Michael and Mr Clark were also absent.	
LMPC/90/26	Declarations of interest: There were no declarations of interest, direct or indirect, in any items of business on the agenda.	
LMPC/91/26	Dispensations: None required.	
LMPC/92/26	10 Minutes public speaking: Nothing raised.	
LMPC/93/26	Thoresby Estate report (if any): No report.	
LMPC/94/26	Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 26 May and 23 June 2026: The minutes of the parish council meeting held on 26 May and 23 June 2026 were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair subject to the amendment of minutes LMPC/84/26 (<i>Apologies for absence</i>) to include "Mr" before "Rose".	
LMPC/95/26	Matters arising: There were no matters arising.	
LMPC/96/26	Reports from district and county councillors: None present. Councillors noted that Mr Clark had emailed to advise that repairs to Main Street were included in Via's schedule of forthcoming works.	
LMPC/97/26	Reports from councillors: Mr J Hill will install the new dog bins and let the clerk know when and where installed. She will then ask NSDC to include them in the emptying schedule.	JH Clerk
LMPC/98/26	Property matters a. Sports field, lease, pavilion (including maintenance update) and new litter bin: The clerk reported that it was not open to the parish council to acquire the title to the sports field. Councillors agreed to proceed with the variation to the lease to permit subletting. Mr S Hill is following up the maintenance of the pavilion with the sports field committee chair. The clerk will follow up on progress in relation to the litter bin with the NSDC officer and Mr Rose.	SH Clerk

	b. Glebe Field: The clerk will follow up the request to Katie Stretton at the Estate in relation to a goodwill inspection of the lime tree.	Clerk
LMPC/99/26	Planning matters: a. Applications: None b. To note planning decisions by NSDC: None c. Great North Road Solar Park – Update and any required decisions: Councillors noted that the matter was still with the Inspectorate but that the Secretary of State had approved a scheme in Lincolnshire contrary to the Inspectorate's recommendations in that case. It was also noted that JPAG is currently on hold. d. EN0610001 - H2East Pipeline: Humber to Nottinghamshire - Developments including virtual meeting with H2East Pipeline: Humber to Nottinghamshire team representatives and working party recommendations: The clerk reported that she was still waiting to hear from the HS2 team in relation to the Teams meeting. e. Compliance: No issues raised.	
LMPC/100/26	Defibrillator: a. Inspection report: Mrs Moorhouse was absent. b. Replacement – Update on purchase of new defibrillator for Laxton phone box and associated decisions: The clerk reported that the defibrillator and cabinet had been delivered. These were passed to Mr J Hill for storage pending installation. After discussion of the installation arrangements, councillors asked the clerk to enquire if the Estate's electrician would install the equipment as a gesture of support to the community. If this was not an option, it was decided that Mr J Hill should obtain two quotes and the clerk one with the clerk authorised to accept the cheapest up to a maximum of £200 plus VAT. c. Defibrillator for Moorhouse telephone kiosk – Update on possible purchase of new defibrillator for Moorhouse phone box including funding: Councillors discussed potential funding sources. The clerk will explore potential crowdfunding options to be publicised in the Open Field and a collection at the Christmas event. d. Health emergency planning – Working group report: Once the installation of the defibrillator has been arranged, the clerk will arrange repeat first aid training and publicise the date. It was noted that the Dovecote might display publicity posters.	Clerk JH Clerk Clerk Clerk
LMPC/101/26	Parish environment and appearance, including: a. Parish benches including new memorial bench request: an update was awaited in Mr Rose's absence. b. Parish roads and pavements including new 40 mph speed limit in Laxton and 30 mph in Moorhouse – Developments: The clerk reported that Mr Clark had advised that the 30 mph limit was still going through the statutory process but he was still awaiting a progress report from NCC's officers. c. Flood resilience – Working party report and associated decisions: The clerk continues to chase up on delivery of the new aquasacs. d. Christmas event 2026 – Discuss and decide on parish council's role: Mrs Creighton will enquire about the church's Christmas plans and report back to the September 2026 meeting.	Clerk RC

LMPC/103/26	Financial matters: a. Financial position as at 30 June 2026: Councillors considered and noted the clerk's report showing the precise financial position as at 30 June 2026 (incorporating the 2026-27 budget figures). The chair verified the stated balances against bank statements. b. Councillors unanimously approved eight payments totalling £2592.63.	
LMPC/104/26	Service faults: None reported.	
LMPC/105/26	Correspondence: All items of correspondence noted. The clerk will request comments from all councillors on the Scoping Consultation for forthcoming Newark & Sherwood Local Plan by 24 July 2026.	
LMPC/106/26	Agenda items for next meeting: See above	
LMPC/107/26	Date of next meeting: 7.00 pm Tuesday 22 September 2026 at the Village Hall	

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm