



Sandon Parish Council

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Sandon Parish Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 8th July 2025** **Sandon Village Hall at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllrs John Davies (Chair), Nikki Hawxbby, Lisa Megraw,
Attending: C Scott (Clerk)

MINUTES

Meeting opened 19:30

26/046 **Apologies**

To receive and approve apologies for absence.
Cllr J De Uphough and Cllr D Stokes

26/047 **Co-option**

To review applications for the vacancy of Sandon Parish Councillor **None**

26/048 **Interests**

- a) To receive declarations of interest from councillors on items on the agenda
 - b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and
 - c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
- None**

26/049 **Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of Sandon Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th May 2026 and the extraordinary meeting held on the 10th June 2026 as an accurate record of proceedings. **Resolved** Proposed Cllr N Hawxbby, Seconded Cllr L Megraw

26/050 **Public Issues**

To invite members of the public to address the meeting.

A parishioner reported on Redhill via email - Firstly, we have 2 water leaks in Redhill. One opposite Redhill Cottage and one opposite Old Inn and Charlotte Cottage. Both were reported to Affinity Water a couple of weeks ago, but there has been no action. Both are getting worse, with the one at the top of the village now extending out of the village towards Rushden.

Secondly, once again the section of road from The Forge down to Old Inn is causing problems. This section has 6 drains that are all blocked and overgrown. I cleared them earlier this year but the vegetation has grown over them and they are full of road debris. This isn't a major problem at the moment, but will be when it rains. Also, the vegetation on the houses' side of this section is encroaching onto the road so much that when walking down the road you are almost in the centre of the road and there is nowhere to move to if traffic is coming from both directions.

Finally, notices have gone up advising that the section from the edge of Redhill heading down to the Wallington road will be closed yet again on 14 -16 July. We have not been

informed about this closure and it's not clear what this closure is for. If it is for drain clearing then that makes no sense if the drains higher up in the village, mentioned above, are not dealt with first.

Action - Clerk to chase Affinity Water and inform Highways, question DCllr S Jarvis to clarify the road closure at Redhill.

A505 Public consultation – Cllr L Megraw to represent Sandon.

26/051 **Reports to the Council**

To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies, local authorities and agencies. **None**

26/052 **Planning**

To receive a planning report on applications and decisions

- a) **26/01473/FPH - Roe Green Barn** – No comment Proposed Cllr L Megraw, Seconded Cllr N Hawxby.
- b) **26/01115/PNQ** – L and Located to the Southwest of Deadman's Hill, Gannock Road, Sandon, Hertfordshire - **prior approval has been given**

26/053 **Finance – RFO Report**

- a) To note receipt of income **noted**
- b) To receive summary report of receipts and payments against budget **noted**
- c) To receive bank reconciliation **noted**
- d) To consider price quotations, charges and grant requests **none**
- e) To authorise payments made in accordance with the budget **Resolved** Proposed Cllr N Hawxby, Seconded Cllr L Megraw
- f) To Receive the RoSPA Report **received, noted and maintenance to be implemented, discuss with Sports Club**

26/054 **Reports from Working Parties and Committees**

- a) Highways – Only as reported above, drain identification report to be completed
- b) Church –the church will be looking for a new Church Warden.
- c) Sports Club and Roe Green – no report
- d) Village Hall – Clerk to ask Village Hall committee about attaching a Noticeboard on the Village Hall. Clerk to enquire about creating a cool space with an air to air heat pump/air conditioner.
- e) School – no report
- f) HR committee – no report
- g) Set areas of responsibility to Councillors for the above areas.
Highways- L Megraw (Redhill)/ Public Footpaths J Davies (Mill End & Green End)
Church – J De Uphaug (Church End through to Gannock)
Sports Club – D Stokes (Roe Green)
Village Hall/School – N Hawxby (Dark Lane, Payne End, Rushden Road)

26/055 **Date of next Sandon Parish Council Meeting and items for the agenda**

To note that the next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th September 2026.

Meeting closed 20:30