

MINUTES OF FRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22nd MAY 2025 AT 1930 AT FRAMPTON VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Ashton (Chairman), Cllr Burton (Vice Chairman), Cllr Tennent, Cllr Fowler, Cllr Balthamie, Cllr Hildred, Cllr Clare, Cllr Hladun and Cllr Pryke (Frampton Parish & Boston Borough Councillor – Kirton & Frampton Ward).

Absent: Cllr David Middleton (Boston Borough Councillor – Kirton & Frampton Ward) and Cllr Rylott (Boston Borough Councillor – Kirton & Frampton Ward).

In attendance: Lana MacLennan-James (Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer)

108. To Elect a Chairman and complete a Declaration of Acceptance (Agenda item 1 – 22.05.2025)

Clerk received no nominations prior to meeting, Cllr Ashton offered to continue to be Chairman which the council unanimously agreed.

109. To elect a Deputy Chairman and complete a Declaration of Acceptance (Agenda item 2 – 22.05.2025)

The clerk received no nominations prior to meeting, Cllr Burton offered to stand again and the council unanimously agreed.

110. Apologies for absence and reasons given (Agenda item 3 22.05.2025)

Cllr Middleton and Cllr Rylott.

111. Declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 (Agenda item 4 – 22.05.2025)

N/A

112. Approval of minutes for meeting held 17th April 2025 (Agenda item 5 – 22.05.2025)

Minutes of AGM and parish meeting held on the 17th April were agreed, with one change of the year in the title (currently says 2024).

113. To receive, consider and approve the income and expenditure 2024/2025 and asset register for publication. (Agenda Item 6 – 22.05.2025)

The council have looked through the income and expenditure list, there were no comments or questions.

114. To receive annual internal audit report & approve publication. (Agenda item 7 – 22.05.2025)

The council were sent the audit prior to the meeting, publication was approved.

115. To receive, consider and approve the Annual Governance Statement 24/25 and for the Chair and Clerk to sign. (Agenda Item 8 – 22.05.2025)

The council received the annual governance statement and the Clerk and Chair signed.

116. To approve the dates of the electors rights to be exercised (Monday 2nd June – Friday 11th July). (Agenda Item 9 – 22.05.2025)

The dates were approved and agreed.

117. To receive, consider and approve the bank reconciliation, variance analysis and Annual Accounting Statement 23/24 and for the Chair and RFO to sign. (Agenda Item 10 – 22.05.2025)

The clerk explained the variance analysis and all was approved and signed.

118. Planning applications (Agenda item 11 – 22.05.2025)

- a. B/25/0168 – Solar Farm – The information sent is not the clearest to understand. Cllr Pryke shared that he has in the past queried the quality of land that they are building solar panels on. He also shared that apparently farmers receive more money in a year from solar panels than three lots of crop.

The council are not in support of putting solar on grade one agricultural land but we do not have a lot of chance with anything being done with our disagreement. The council believe there will be consequences in the long term but we aren't going to get away from it.

119. To discuss the environment of the Parish (Agenda item 12 – 22.05.2025)

- a. Cllr Claire has found a joiner to fix the memorial bench, this should be done within a fortnight.
- b. Cllr Claire had a resident ask why the flags were still on the memorial, the council agreed that these shall stay until VJ day.
- c. Cllr Burton shared that the footpaths from the village hall to the memorial have been resurfaced, however there is some grass growing through it already a few days later. He will report this on fixmystreet.
- d. Cllr Burton reported that the leak on Middlegate West is coming through again, there is a mark on the drain and so he believes it will be sorted soon.
- e. Cllr Burton attended a St Michaels Village hall meeting, the committee is now down to four people, he worries for the future of it.
- f. Cllr Burton also shared that the speeding down by the Village hall has increased, now typically using quad bikes.
- g. Cllr Hladun shared that asbestos is awaiting specialist collectors on Frampton Bank.
- h. Cllr Hladun reported that HBCC had their AGM on Monday, Mark will stay on as Chair person with no Vice Chair as last year. The Car boots are falling off until the Autumn but the bingo is doing very well, with a profit of £250 this week. He asked if the newsletter could include the dates for the bingo going forward. Bookings are going well, however, the committee could do with some more members. The chairman is enthusiastic about putting something on the grass at Hubberts bridge to encourage community activity such as badminton etc.
- i. Cllr Tennent also reported the recreational speeding near the Village hall in the evenings.
- j. Cllr Baggins reported a flytip near the RSPB, however believes the RSPB does clear this up.
- k. Cllr Pryke shared that Kirton had a visit from the police at their last meeting, he brought two copies of the Boston policing plan.
- l. Cllr Pryke had complaints about litter on the A16 that he has reported.
- m. Cllr Pryke also reported a pothole on Ralphs Lane.
- n. Cllr Pryke shared that the EGL 5 Pylon plan are having a public discussion at the Poachers, Cllr Hladun will be attending this.
- o. Cllr Pryke also spoke on the gardening competition, he thinks we are too late to do it this year but will do it next year.

- p. Cllr Ashton thanked Cllr Fowler for her and her husband Jonathan's efforts with the Beacon lighting for VE day.
- q. Cllr Ashton has trimmed and weed sprayed around the milestone.
- r. Cllr Ashton shared that we have a flower festival this year, he would like the Councillors to put their own flower display in for it.

120. To discuss defibrillator training for Parish Halls (Agenda item 13 – 22.05.2025)

Cllr Balgarnie has heard from a few people that whilst they appreciate the defibrillators, some would like training on how to use it should it be necessary. There is a defibrillator at St Michaels and the Village Hall. It is an idea to put it out in the newsletter for the general public to attend.

Cllr Ashton suggested two sessions in a day in the afternoon and evening at St Michaels, with the WI to provide refreshments and to go in the newsletter. *Clerk to find out the costs for a defibrillator trainer for around 4/5 hours for two sessions, possibly St Johns ambulance.*

121. To discuss and vote on the purchase of a flag pole for the War Memorial (Agenda Item 14 – 22.05.2025)

The council voted in favour of Cllr Clare finding and installing a flag pole.

122. Clerks Report & GDPR (Agenda item 15 – 22.05.2025)

We have run out of minutes on for LALC website, the clerk asked the Council whether another 10 hours can be purchased.

Clerk has been asked to update and send Cllr Burton a new password for the .gov email address. Cllr Balgarnie will speak to Joan Deane regarding putting a piece of Frampton's History in to the newsletter.

123. To approve insurance provider & amount (Agenda item 16 – 22.05.2025)

The clerk shared the cost for the renewal £450.56 – the council agreed for this renewal to go ahead.

124. Correspondence received (Agenda item 17 – 22.05.2025)

Resident 1 – We have since had a follow up email asking if the monitor is due an upgrade as Swineshead ones seem more high tech and also asking if the monitor or another monitor could be put up for the traffic on the other side of the road (from Bannisters Lane towards Kirton).

Resident 2 – Speed signs on Lighton Road – Parish Council will purchase 5 for 30mph from Lincs highways.

Request from St Mary's Church (Frampton PCC) – requested the parish council to consider funding a defibrillator in St. Marys. The council cannot see the harm in this but believe that the council should not cover the whole cost. The chairman will respond to this request.

125. Financial matters (Agenda item 18 – 22.05.2025)

a) Update on bank account

Bank balance at £56,810.29

b) BACs to be approved

DATE	RECIPIENT/PAYER	AMOUNT	VAT	TOTAL
23/04/2025	Clerks Wages	209.29	-	-209.29
28/04/2025	BBC Council Precept	12,188.59	-	+12,188.59
12/05/2025	Cloud Next domain	£60.00	-10.00	- £60.00
TOTAL				+11,919.30
Bank account balance tonight:				£56.810.29

126. Date, time and venue of next meeting (Agenda item 19 – 22.05.2025)

The next meeting will be held at Frampton Church Village Hall, Thursday the 19th of June 2025 at 19:30hrs.

The meeting ended at 20:45 hrs.