

MINUTES OF PATTINGHAM AND PATSHULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 5TH JANUARY 2026 AT PATTINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: A Freeman (Chairman), J Tomlinson (Vice Chairman), W Morris, Mrs S Attwater, N Caine, D Glynn, J Yardley, N Burton, R Northwood, Mr S Walker.

Also Present: Mrs J Cree and 3 members of the public.

1/26. Apologies for Absence

An apology of absence was received from Cllr Mrs A Kemp, District Councillor R Reade, District Councillor Mrs V Wilson and County Councillor James Hodges.

2/26. Declarations of Councillors' Interest.

None were declared.

3/26. To receive a report from the PCSO's and discuss any relevant matters for the Police.

The Clerk circulated an email from Nicola Brooks re the proposed changes to the Police Service.

Cllr N Caine reported that he attended the recent Police forum, he was informed that the Chief Inspector would authorise PCSO's to do overtime, if required, but could not commit to this in writing. The Police Drop in times were circulated to members for the next 3 months.

PCSO Louise Jones attended the meeting, she confirmed that if a pothole was very dangerous the Police can request Highways to come out and resolve it as a matter of emergency.

Speeding is still an issue in the Parish, at Burnhill Green we have speeds over 100+ miles an hour. Also, in the village it is a big issue. The latest data shows the speeding is still a major concern.

4/26. Public Forum - Democratic fifteen minute period / public question time

Standing orders were raised to enable members of the public to speak.

Members of the public raised the following:-

- Bmx pump track they would love one on the Pattringham park.
- Road gritting – is still an issue in the area and would like to see the village gritted. Members of the Council have tried to get this situation resolved over many years and have written recently to request the gritter comes through.
- Parking in the village – is a concern across the pavement and corners of cul-de-sacs etc. He is being passed between the District, County and the Police. He was passed Maggie Quinns details to send his concerns.
- There is a scheme called Operation Snap, which is a service where you can forward issues such as bad parking etc, but Staffordshire Police do not support this scheme.
- The MUGA has lights, but the Netball courts do not, these are not lit due to them being near the Historic Church.
- Flooding on West Beech Road, should have been looked at today, but due to the freezing conditions the works has been postponed.

Standing orders were reinstated.

It was agreed to send a letter to all Parish Councils vis SPCA, to ask for support to get Operation Snap going in the Staffordshire Police area. On a vote this was agreed.

5/26. To receive for confirmation and adoption, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1st December 2025.

The minutes of the meetings held on the above date, were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. These were proposed Cllr N Caine and seconded by Cllr D Glynn.

6/26. County / District Councillors to address the Council on any matters relevant to the Parish
County Councillor J Hodges sent the following items for the Council:-

- The only things to say is that County did go on site today at Clive Road but due to the weather this work will need to be rescheduled as they couldn't do the work without freezing the hoses, I'll let you know when this is rebooked.
- Gritting will be done throughout the coming days. I've got a DHP meeting tomorrow and I'm going to ask why the Pattingham Road is only a secondary gritting route, it should be a primary one.
- I'll ask again if the tourist sign is any closer for the vineyard.
- Burnhill Green potholes please forward them to me with a reference number if you report on MyStaffs. (A meeting still needs to be arranged with Dianne Firkins with Cllrs J Yardley and N Burton – Clerk to organise)
- I can see that in a 30mph limit the V85 is 43mph. This would place it far above the requirement of 35mph for a temporary speed device. I have therefore emailed the Safer Roads Partnership asking if this can go ahead.

7/26. Community Speed-watch update and speeding issues

The signs have been ordered for permanent erection around the village for Community Speed-watch.

The Deputy Police Commissioner and the Community speed-watch organiser thanked the Pattingham Speedwatch Group for their hard work.

8/26. To discuss updates on the 4 year plan

It was agreed to have a meeting before the February meeting. We should put out the issue of parking in the village, operation Snap etc and start to engage and get feedback from the public.

9/26. To receive an update / cost from Christmas event

Figures in the Santander account

Income

event stalls directly to the bank	£1550.00
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Balance from last year	£725.00
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Total income	£2275.00
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Expenditure paid out for event	£1165.00
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Balance to carry forward	£1110.00
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There has been no update from the Christmas Working Party.

There is a presentation evening that has been organised for the giving of the cheques from the Scarecrow festival, the Clerk has asked a member of the committee to attend along with the Chairman.

10/26. St Chad's and St Mary's church yards maintenance' so we can have a discussion how the Parish council can support the Church.

The accounts were circulated to all members with the agenda papers. Members reviewed these figures.

It was proposed by Cllr N Caine to put this request for financial support towards the churchyard maintenance on hold for a year, and this was seconded by Cllr D Glynn, and on a vote this was agreed by majority.

11/26. To discuss linking people in the village

Members discussed the possibility of encouraging an outside group to run something at the village hall, subsidised by the Council i.e paying for the room hire, such as Tai boxing for example.

It was agreed to ask the youth of the village what they would like through social media.

12/26. To discuss the request for a bike pump track

Several members of the community have asked that the Parish Council look at providing a bike track again for the children of Pattingham. The Clerk and the Chairman to investigate with the members of the public to see what the base costs would be.

It was noted that there is a broken slab by the large slide that needs to be looked at. The Clerk to ask the Lengthsman to sort this issue.

13/26. To discuss changing grants policy limit

It was proposed by Cllr N Caine, to set a maximum limit of £1000 per applicant per year for grants from the £4300 budget for 2026/27, this was seconded by Cllr D Glynn and on a vote this was not carried.

Therefore, each grant will be discussed on its own merits when received.

13/26. Report from the Clerk.

The following items were noted:-

SPCA AGM

Locality Forum February 12th 2026

25/01057/FULHH Proposed new private access including new pillars and gates Location: Noverton Cottage Nurton Hill Road Pattingham

25/01069/FULHH Proposed outbuilding Springview Manor Warstones Hill Road Nurton

25/01075/FULHH Erection of a garden room Old Memorial Hall Snowdon Road Burnhill Green

25/01048/VAR Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) of approval 24/01057/FULHH to regularise: 1) Alterations to dimensions and design of approved porch 2) Alterations to positioning of dormer window 3) Regularisation of rear extension dimensions Location: 68 Clive Road Pattingham

14/26. Accounts for Payment

The accounts for payment listed below were agreed:-

Glasdon	Bench	£929.30
Rospa	Park Insp.	£628.80

RH Electrical	Xmas lights	£2136.00
Viking Direct	Stamps	£55.07
Administration	January	£794.28
HMRC	January	£284.75
Gardening	January	£190.00
YGS	December	£51.09
EE	December	£26.17
Water rates	December	£154.26
Recoded	Domian Name	£100.18
SCC	Signs	£198.00
Lensgthsman	December	£750.00

15/26. Summary to communicate to the residents

Parking in the village, request warden; Operation Snap; Youth interaction.

15/26. Items for future Meetings –

Muga – remote control cars track, Burnhill Green Orchard gates / fencing, 4 year plan meeting
6.30 before the next meeting in February.

16/26. Dates of Next Meetings

2nd February 2026

2nd March 2026

20th April 2026 (inc APM)

18th May 2026 (AGM)

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.