

MINUTES OF PATTINGHAM AND PATSHULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 2nd JUNE 2025 AT PATTINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: A Freeman (Chairman), M Finch, N Caine, W Morris, Mrs S Attwater, Mrs A Kemp, S Walker,

Also Present: Mrs J Cree and County Councillor James Hodges, District Cllrs R Reade

80/25. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies of absence were received from Cllrs J Yardley and J Tomlinson (Vice Chairman), and District Councillor Mrs V Wilson.

Apologies of absence were not received from Cllrs N Burton and P Dunn.

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Attwater and seconded by Cllr N Caine to accept the apologies of absence from Cllr P Dunn as he has been unable to attend meetings due to work commitments. The Clerk will contact him with regard to continuing on the Council and give us an update on the 4 year plan.

81/25. Declarations of Councillors' Interest.

District Cllr R Reade stated an interest in any planning applications / BESS Sites.

82/25. Public Forum - Democratic fifteen-minute period / public question time

There were no members of the public present that wished to speak.

83/25. To receive for confirmation and adoption, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th May 2025.

The minutes of the meeting held on the above date, were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting apart from the date should be the 2nd June 2025 for the next meeting. These were proposed Cllr S Walker and seconded by Cllr N Caine.

84/25. County / District Councillors to address the Council on any matters relevant to the Parish
County Councillor James Hodges reported that:

- He is a member of the Planning Committee, Public Rights of Way and Rural Team, Social and Health care
- He has met with the PCSO and discussed regular meetings going forward.
- Dangerous parking at school, coach parking and speeding are noted.
- He has attended several training sessions over the last few weeks.
- School Bus route – no bus for those that live less than 3 miles away from the school – he is looking into this.
- Jenny Walkers Lane - road closure in August.
- He has a meet and greet meeting with Highways on the 4th July.
- He will be holding on the 11th June a Pattringham surgery in the foyer of the village hall 11-12pm.
- Residents would like a Saturday bus service reinstated.

District Councillor R Reade reported that:-

- Fly Tipping – is a very big problem for all areas in South Staffordshire. When it is tipped in farmers gateways the farmers are allowed to take it to the tips.
- Funding is available for the apply for Community element / or health and safety through the UK Prosperity fund.

School parking problems are constantly being raised, Cllr N Caine has requested information on the contract for the parking wardens, they are contracted via Stoke City Council and South Staffordshire pay for 156 hours per year, all shifts start from Lichfield.

Cllr N Caine proposed to ask the District Cllrs / County Cllrs and the MP to ask for an increase in hours for the traffic officers, to enable them to help get cars from being parked illegally on yellow lines and blocking junctions. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs S Attwater. On a vote this was agreed.

It was agreed for the Clerk to write to PCC Ben Adams, to ask when we can expect Staffordshire Police to start using the Operation Snap scheme like all other neighbouring Police Authorities, due to the continuing danger for the residents of the Parish.

85/25. Community Speed-watch update

Cllr Mrs S Attwater reported that a session is set up for next week at 8am at Burnhill Green on the 9th. The last session was on the Wolverhampton Road, on a Friday morning 8.15 – 9.15, there were 177 cars, 5 were over the limit.

The signs are being borrowed from Perton, and they are hoping to have signs permanently installed after 6 months. There is a grant available for the signs.

The highest speed recorded on the SID data for Burnhill Green was 109 mph on a Friday evening at 9pm, and Wolverhampton Road was 63 mph.

86/25. To discuss updates on the 4 year plan

Cllr P Dunn was not in attendance so this was deferred. It was agreed to have a meeting on the 7th July at 6.30pm, where the original attendees (Cllrs P Dunn, S Walker, Mrs S Attwater, W Morris) will attend.

87/25. To discuss support in supplying hygiene boxes

Cllr Mrs S Attwater reported that the Chemist have agreed to help supply items, and they still need a box for them. Cllr W Morris as spoken to the Co-Op manager as has Cllr Mrs S Attwater. The manager said he will progress it.

88/25. To discuss the possibilities of linking people in the village (mixing age groups etc), youth café etc.

Cllr M Finch would like to get a group of people together that have influence in various Community Groups and bring forward some ideas.

There is a new Youth Group started in Albrighton for ages 13 – 15 years old, Cllr Mrs A Kemp will look into this.

The Way which is located on the ring road runs quite successfully, and information would be helpful for the discussion.

Cllr M Finch will speak to SCYVS, and also discuss with Cllrs Mrs S Attwater and W Morris the Village Hall any options and come back to the Council. The Clerk to forward any contacts she has that may help.

89/25. To discuss Christmas Lights upgrade

The Clerk has requested the box to be repaired and speaking to the contractor the power point does work for the Christmas Tree, and lights were on the tree last year but only 1 strand and new lights have been requested for the Christmas Tree for this year.

90/25. To receive an update on the tennis court repainting

The 4 quotes are detailed below:-

Leisure Services – have quoted £5900 to clean and repaint the whole lot. They won't just do bits he would only do the whole job.

Rigott - Costs for the outer green only £8,780 and £1200 for 2 x tennis and one netball.

Fosse - have quoted costs to lightly clean, colour coat the entire court surfaces and line mark the 2Nr. courts as existing would be £4740.00 + vat in total. They are happy to cover 50% of the above cost, which would leave a balance of £2370.00 + vat for Pattingham Parish Council to pay.

Soft Surfaces - £9034

The decision made was to go with Fosse, they have been instructed to start work. We would be looking towards the end of July now to complete the works and will be in touch with more exact dates nearer the time. If any earlier dates become available, we will of course let you know.

This was noted.

91/25. Report from the Clerk.

The following was noted:-

Local Government Reorganisation in Staffordshire Briefing: Thursday 5th June at 7pm

Confirmation football teams will be returning for next season, fees need to be agreed.

Charity event request for the use of the playing fields.

Parish Summit, any land like the playing fields to be put forward if you wish to try to claim it before the authority changes.

92/25. Accounts for Payment and to agree formally the part funding for a new PCSO pedal Bike

The accounts for payment detailed below were accepted:-

723890	Zurich Municipal	Insurance	£1113.67
723891	Lengthsmans services		£750.00
723892	Ditton Services		£618.00
723893	A Horton	Gardening	£190.00
723894	Clerks Salary	June	£769.69
723895	HMRC	June	£273.93
723896	Crown Estates	Replacement Chq	£120.00
723897	Viking Direct	Stationary	£35.43
723898	ICO		£78.00

723899	Clickers for speed watch		£6.49
DD	EE	June	£24.60
DD	Waterplus	May	£107.82
DD	YGS	May	£43.58

Cllr N Caine reported that a bike is to cost between £350 - £550, the other parties are happy to part fund at a cost up to a maximum £600. It was proposed by Cllr M Finch and seconded by Cllr N Caine Members to agree in principal a 1/3 funding up to £200. On a vote this was agreed.

93/25. Items for future Meetings

Noticeboard Glass needs to be repaired, signs for side of the park warning of pedestrians crossing.

94/25. Dates of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on the 7th July 2025.

Apologies of absence were given from Cllrs Mrs S Attwater and N Caine.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm.