



Tilney All Saints Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
Held on Thursday 9th April 2026 at 7:00pm
In the Village Hall

ATTENDANCE

Andy Laughton (Chair)	Parish Councillor	Present
Chris Barley (Vice Chair)	Parish Councillor	Present
Philip Mole	Parish Councillor	Present
Brian Giles	Parish Councillor	Present
Val Grange	Parish Councillor	Absent - Apology
Peter Hodgson	Parish Councillor	Present
Peter Lukasik	Parish Councillor	Present
Neil Watson	Locum Parish Clerk	Present
Janet Fuller	Responsible Finance Officer (RFO)	Absent - Apology

Borough Councillor S Bearshaw was present, apologies from County Councillor J Kirk.

No members of the public were present.

1.	Apologies for Absence (Minute reference 26/019) <i>To receive and consider Councillor's apologies for absence.</i> Apologies were received from Cllr Grange. Apologies accepted.
2.	Declarations of Interest and Dispensations (Minute reference 26/020) <i>To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda</i> None
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2b	<i>To Receive written Declarations of Interest from Councillors in Items on the Agenda:</i> Cllrs Giles, Laughton, and Lukasik declared an interest in writing in Item 3.
2c	Dispensation for Cllrs Giles, Laughton and Lukasik to participate in the discussion under item 3 was granted by councillors as this was in the interest of residents due to Councillors' knowledge of the situation.
3.	Public Participation Session. No members of the public were present.
4.	Minutes (Minute reference 26/021) <i>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2026.</i> Councillors unanimously RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 th March 2026 as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Laughton, seconded Cllr Barley The approved minutes were signed by Cllr Laughton.
5.	Finances
5a	<i>To approve payments to be made.</i> (Minute reference 26/022) Payments List for April 2026 had been issued to all councillors prior to the meeting. Councillors unanimously RESOLVED to approve payments as per the Payments Lists. Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Mole. Payments List signed by Cllr Laughton.

5b	To receive update on financial position. A copy of the monthly receipts and payments summaries had been issued to all councillors prior to the meeting. No queries were raised. Proposed Cllr Lukasik, seconded Cllr Barley, all in favour
5c	To agree bank reconciliation for March 2026. Bank reconciliation for March 2026 had been issued to all councillors prior to the meeting and checked by Cllr. Giles. No issues were raised. Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Laughton, all in favour
6.	Reports
6a	Chairman's Report – Verbal: The Chair offered condolences on behalf of the Parish Council to Cllr Hodgson for the loss of his wife, Cllrs noted the funeral arrangements. The Chair expressed grateful thanks to Cllr Julian Kirk as his time as our County Councillor comes to an end due to boundary changes. He has been an excellent advocate on our behalf, generous with funding and always helpful and engaged. A card and gifts will be delivered to Cllr & Mrs Kirk with our best wishes. There has been little progress with the drainage issues on School Road as the additional documents from the Land Registry have only just arrived. A response to Stuart Ashworth has not yet been sent. Speedwatch statistics now total 761 vehicles reported across 204 sessions. There has been a limited number of sessions recently due to poor weather and ill health. The SAM has recorded speeds of over 60mph, with multiple instances of vehicles exceeding 50mph. A new padlock has been fitted to the vehicle gate on Millenium Green ready for the groundworks to start.
6b	Clerk's Report: Clerk's Report had been issued to all councillors prior to the meeting. No questions were raised.
6c	Borough Councillor Report LGR will move forward with a 'three unitary' model, the Government have funded £2.7m for preparatory work. Shadow elections will take place in 20227 with the new structure in place from 2028 – Borough Councillors' terms will be extended by twelve months. There will be minimal devolution to Parish Councils. In 2027 a @Section 24' issue will be made prohibiting large capital expenditure, to preserve reserves going into 2028. The Borough Council's Call for Sites is still open. There is a formal St Georges Day dinner on 23rd August, all Councillors are invited. County Councillor Report. Cllr Kirk's written report was circulated.
7.	Planning. 26/00501/F – Field Cottage – Councillors have no comments on the application. (Minute reference 26/023)
8.	Review and adopt updated Financial Regulations & Standing Orders Proposed Cllr Giles, seconded Cllr Laughton, all in favour that the documents be re-adopted for 2026. (Minute reference 26/024)
9.	Play Area and Goal Post Inspections:
9a	Discuss any issues arising from the regular inspections Cllr Barley has completed inspection reports for the past month. The grass on the Glebe is getting very long and hiding rubbish, which needs picking up before the mower goes on-site. The dyke along Church Lane needs litter picking.

	The Borough Waste Team are keen to support litter-picking initiatives – excess waste can be collected from a convenient location by prior arrangement. <i>Agree costs of installing an access path to the new picnic bench</i> Proposed Cllr Barley, seconded Cllr Hodgson, all in favour that the additional costs be agreed. (Minute reference 26/025) <i>Discuss the disrepair of the fencing along the road between the school and Millenium Green</i> The wire has already been removed, given the shallowness of the dyke it is suggested that the posts be removed too.
10.	Correspondence. Correspondence Lists had been issued to all councillors prior to the meeting. No questions were raised.
11.	Date of next meeting Thursday 14th May 2026 – Annual Parish Meeting at 6.30pm, followed by Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 7.50pm