

CORBY GLEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wed 8th July 2026 at 7.30pm in the Willoughby Memorial Gallery, Corby Glen.

Present: Cllrs Shepperson (Chair), Baker, Ellam, Harty, Harwood, & Mardling

In attendance: 14 residents, Cllr M Hill, Mrs S Woodman (Parish Clerk)

Open Forum:

Trees: A resident reported epicormic growth around the base of the lime tree on The Green. Cllr Shepperson advised that he would cut it back over the weekend.

Planning Application S26/0979 Muller Developments (144 houses): Many residents from across the village are very concerned about this application, and an “action group” has been formed. Their representative expressed the views on their behalf; the group is planning a leaflet drop to all homes in the village to raise awareness and is involving local journalists where appropriate.

The concerns expressed by residents are summarised below:

- This site is not allocated for housing on the current or the emerging SKDC Local Plan nor on the current or emerging Neighbourhood Plan
- Permission has already been refused for 10 houses on this site. It is believed that there have been no significant changes which mitigate the reasons for refusal. Although it is maintained that the reasons for refusal have been addressed, this is not believed to be so
- The land has already been deemed unsuitable for building by the District Council
- The village has recently had 3 new developments, and more are included in the emerging local plan; the village needs time to absorb these new developments
- The history of the site and its surroundings was outlined by a resident
- There is insufficient capacity in local schools to accommodate more children; children from the village are already having to attend primary schools in nearby villages because of insufficient capacity
- Health care resources are already overstretched
- The churchyard is nearing capacity
- Adverse impact on the aspect of the village on approaching from Colsterworth
- Adverse impact on the flooding of the West Glen (already a problem), both as a result of building on agricultural land which currently absorbs rainfall, and additional hard surfacing run-off from a steeply sloping site
- The access onto the A151 is considered problematic; additionally, extra pedestrian traffic crossing the A151 to access village facilities, especially school children, could pose a further hazard
- Additional traffic on the A151 (potentially 288 cars), which is already a busy road
- Impact on the Danelaw Way, a long-distance footpath, which borders/crosses the site
- It is important that all residents take the opportunity to express their views individually as the number of comments is significant. Assistance can be provided to residents with limited technical experience to submit their views via the SKDC planning portal
- Cllr Hill will speak to SKDC regarding this application; Cllr Shepperson will notify Cllr Robins likewise.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Walsingham

2. **District and County Councillors’ Reports:**

Cllr Hill reported that the problem of queuing at local Recycling Centres is under consideration, and a return to a booking system is being brought back in. Work on the Grantham bypass is progressing, with the bridge soon to be installed over the East Coast mainline. LCC is sponsoring a national cycle race. Local government reorganisation is ongoing. Housing continues to be an issue.

3. The draft minutes of the meetings of the Council held on Wednesday 13th May 2026 & Wednesday 10th June 2026 were approved unanimously as the minutes.

4. **Councillors’ Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Harty’s property backs onto the proposed new development. Noted.

5. **Review of Action Log:**

26/01/30 **Beacon:** 2 quotes obtained; no response from 3rd supplier. 2 quotes considered adequate in this instance

26/06/10.12 **Poo bags:** purchased

6. **Clerk's and Chair's Reports on Matters Outstanding**

- 01 Neighbourhood Planning, Local Plan and Conservation Area:** No progress – meeting planned for later this month. Revised plan will constitute a 'material change'. Neighbourhood Planning group to comment on S26/0979 application
- 02 S106: New noticeboard.** SKDC have reimbursed the cost of the noticeboard and installation.
Replacement Defib: In progress
- 03 New Housing Estates – Sewerage Issues:** Cllr Ellam to report to Environmental Health that NCHA pump has made no noticeable difference. Another Cllr needs to take this over from ex-Cllr Waumsley. The planning application still before SKDC from the developer for the routing of the sewerage is considered by the Parish Council to constitute a 'material' rather than a 'non-material' amendment.
- 04 Highways:** Cllr Walsingham not present – deferred. Flooding under the railway bridge – Cllr Hill reported ongoing discussions with Network Rail.
- 05 Co-option of new Cllr:** 2 candidates applied. To be interviewed at an EGM in August. Following Cllr Waumsley's resignation, there are now 2 vacancies. No election has been requested. Any new candidates will be interviewed at the EGM and the preferred candidates agreed.
- 06 Resignation of clerk/appointment of new clerk:** The current clerk will retire on July 31st 2026. The chairman thanked her for her hard work. A conditional offer has been made to and accepted by a new clerk who will start on September 1st 2026, subject to receiving satisfactory references. Cllrs will share the duties in the interim.

7. **Matters for Resolution**

- 07 Laxtons Lane:** Cllr Mardling has had conversations with the developer. They will attempt to avoid closing Laxton's Lane during school start/end times (LCC Highways has no objection to a temporary closure). No deliveries are permitted before 9.00 am.
- 08 Consider the need to maintain the Beacon:** Cllr Baker has 2 quotes; the 3rd did not materialise. 2 quotes considered adequate. Cllr Baker to report costs of 2 quotes obtained to next meeting.

8. **Reports from:**

Planning:

S26/0979 Muller Development: The council voted unanimously to object to the application and to request an extension until September 17th 2026. Cllr Ellam to draft the objection; clerk to submit on the council's behalf and request Cllr Robins to call the application in. Cllr Ellam to liaise with the representative of the "action group" in his capacity as chairing the Neighbourhood Planning committee.

The council further voted unanimously to fund the action group up to £250 to raise awareness within the community. The council also discussed assisting residents with limited technical expertise in expressing their views via the SKDC planning portal, perhaps with a 'surgery' with laptops in Hattie's / Lily's / and/or the Fighting Cocks. Cllr Shepperson to discuss with the businesses.

Cllr Baker suggested all residents communicate their views by post directly to SKDC.

S26/0903 – Mr Flatters – 5 Station Rd – Greenhouse/new windows/replacement fence: No objection

S24/0568 – Anaerobic Digestion Facility, Sewstern Road, Gunby – Appeal against planning refusal: It was agreed unanimously that the council should object to the appeal against the refusal of this application (as it had objected to the original application) Cllr Shepperson to provide wording.

09 Assets update

08.1 **Approve purchase of new toddler swing:** New part received. To be installed asap.

08.2 **Matting under rocking horse:** Options being considered. Replacing like with like preferred. But not until after school holidays.

9. Payments and Accounts

- (i) **Bank balances:** Monthly update set out below. The figure for total funds (Current + Reserve Account) is now included. A late invoice for grass cutting was added as no meeting in August.
- (ii) **Invoices for payment:** Councillors approved and signed payments as set out in the schedule below.

Opening current account balance from 1 June 2026	£5,295.38
Income received on bank statement 1 June– 30 June 2026 S106 re-imbursement re noticeboard	£1,032.75
Invoices cleared on bank statement 1 June– 30 June 2026 S. Woodman – clerk’s wages S. Woodman – clerk’s expenses HMRC – clerk’s PAYE CDPC – Community cleaner M Sanderson – Web site maintenance Insurance	 £321.82 £26.00 £80.40 £202.95 £60.00 £1022.56
Closing current account balance 30 June 2026	£4,614.40
Payments to be authorised/cleared: 1 July – 31 July 2026 S. Woodman – clerk’s wages HMRC – clerk’s PAYE S. Woodman – clerk’s expenses CDPC – Community cleaner M Sanderson – Web site maintenance M Sanderson – Domain name renewal Mrs Woodman – Stationery Mrs Woodman – Poo bags MD Joinery – Notice board installation Malc Firth – Grass Cutting (April payment) Malc Firth – Grass Cutting (May payment) Cllr Shepperson – Toddler swing seat Malc Firth – Grass Cutting (June payment)	 £321.82 £80.40 £26.00 £202.95 £60.00 £24.87 £4.00 £21.25 £300.00 £273.40 £273.40 £128.72 £273.40
Predicted current account balance on 31 July 2026	£2,752.91
Reserve Account Previous Balance Transferred in this period Transferred out this period Interest Paid April Interest Paid May Interest Paid June Balance at 30 June 2026	 £33,473.12 £0.00 £0.00 £40.14 £52.60 <u>£58.13</u> £33,489.72
Total Funds (Current + Reserve) at 30 June 2026	£36,387.31

10. Matters to be further discussed at the meeting:

10 Consider legal position re access across The Green: Ongoing.

11 Consider delegation of planning / NP liaison within PC in lieu of Chair. No volunteers. Remove from future agendas. Cllr Ellam already chairing the group.

12 Agree recording of vehicular Green Access via a log: It was agreed to communicate any sightings with as much information as possible to the clerk, who will maintain the log.

13 Consider whether to add trees to asset list: Trees belonging to the council already identified on Tree Inspection report. New trees to be added. Cllr Walsingham to identify.

14 Consider need for interim survey of trees not currently included on inspection list: Agreed to wait for regular inspection in the autumn.

15 Approve expenses policy (circulated): Approved unanimously.

11. **Next meeting:**

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 10th September 2026 at 7.30 pm** in the **Willoughby Memorial Gallery**.

Meeting closed at 9.01 pm.

Mrs. Sue Woodman – Parish Clerk

Action Log 8th July 2026 – TO BE UPDATED PRIOR TO NEXT MEETING going forward.

Ref	Action	Responsibility	Date by
O/F	Highways Matters etc: Chase any Highways outstanding issues eg edge markers on Green	Cllr Walsingham	ongoing
O/F 26/06	Footpath lighting Barleycroft – Pridmore: Investigate options	Cllr Ellam	8/7/26
O/F 07/27 & 26/07/08	S26/0979 Muller Development: Discuss with SKDC Planning Contact Cllr Robins; Provide wording of council's objection; Submit objection; request extension; request Cllr Robins to call the application in Liaise with action group Assisting residents to communicate their views with a 'surgery' with laptops in Hattie's / Lily's / and/or the Fighting Cocks. Discuss with the businesses	Cllr Hill Cllr Ellam Clerk Cllr Ellam Cllr Shepperson	asap asap asap asap asap
23/02/05	Leaflet with a map of village with street names: Awaiting redesign of map to include all street names & points of interest	Cllr Walsingham	8/7/26
25/03/21	Review of council policies: Review 'old' policies; if no change, record date reviewed. Publish on the website when approved	All Cllrs Clerk	Ongoing
26/01/30	Consider maintaining the Beacon: Report costs of 2 quotes obtained to next meeting	Cllr Baker	10/9/26
26/02/16	Grass cutting: Monitor	Cllr Walsingham	ongoing
26/04/6.2	S106: Submit S106 application for replacement defib & cabinet	Cllr Shepperson / Clerk	10/9/26
26/04/6.5	Assets – Phone box: Feedback LCC response to local resident	Cllrs Walsingham	8/7/26
26/04/8.2	Playground: Rocking Horse: Consider options for replacing the surface underneath 'Rocking Dog': Replacement of wooden seat Swing: Parts obtained; install Stepping Posts: Investigate options.	Cllr Shepperson Cllr Waumsley Cllr Shepperson Cllr Ellam	8/7/26 19/7/26
26/05/6.2	Second Defib: Discuss 2 nd defib with interested parties – clarify intentions	Cllr Walsingham	Once Chair is contacted
26/05/10.14	Access/Parking on The Green: Follow up free advice as available	Cllr Walsingham	08/07/26
26/06/6.03	Sewerage Smell: Encourage residents to raise individual complaints; Contact environmental health – NCHA pump has made no significant difference	All Cllr Ellam	ongoing 10/9/26
26/06/8.08.2	Lay persons on Working Group: Position to be clarified with Insurance company.	Clerk	08/07/26
26/06/10.10	Access across the Green for residents: Circulate letter to Cllrs; issue letter after Cllrs comment No Parking / Access' notices: In progress – seeking PC logo	Cllr Walsingham Cllr Shepperson	08/07/26 08/07/26
26/06/10.13	Asset Register: Update & circulate	Clerk	08/07/26
26/07/6.01	Neighbourhood Planning: Group to comment on S26/0979 application	Cllr Ellam	asap
26/07/08	S24/0568 – Anaerobic Digestion Facility, Sewstern Road, Gunby – Appeal against planning refusal: provide wording for objection Submit objection	Cllr Shepperson Clerk	asap asap
26/07/10.13	Trees: Identify new trees to be added to inspection report	Cllr Walsingham	10/09/26
26/07/10.15	Minor Expenses Policy: Post on web site	Clerk	10/09/26