

CORBY GLEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th September 2026 at 7.30pm in the Willoughby Memorial Gallery, Corby Glen.

For information only the meeting was preceded by meetings a) to introduce the new clerk with Councillors and b) have input from invited parties about upcoming seasonal events

Present: Clerk Neil Southwell, Cllrs Walsingham (Chair), Shepperson (Vice-Chair), Baker, Ellam, Hamblin, Harty, Harwood, Mardling & Thompson (part)

In attendance: 5 residents (1 just observing, 1 for project work)

Open Forum: Residents raised the following issues [issue – response]:

- Who is in the staffing committee – Cllrs Harty, Mardling & Shepperson
- Typing error in minutes - noted
- No list of Cllrs present at EGM – noted and minutes annotated when signed off
- Why the preceding meetings closed – because not public, only on agenda outside items for scheduling completeness for Cllrs' benefit
- What were the emails received – emails may have contained sensitive information
- Grass cutting not up to standard, cutter too low – ongoing monitoring
- Accident risk and nuisance from chickens – noted, position being considered pending other concern received
- Tanners Lane footway overgrowth – noted, Fix-My-Street issue
- Swinstead Road speeding, state / narrowness, need for speed survey – Community Speed Watch issue in terms of speed, LCC Highways can be contacted about state, CGPC can look into speed survey

1. **Apologies for absence:** None received

2. **District and County Councillors' Reports:** None at meeting

Chairman's update - Thanks to all for help during period without Clerk, and progress on outstanding actions. Emails received and replied to, not requiring resolution. Thanks to all involved in the Neighbourhood Planning Group and Protect Corby Glen.

3. **Draft minutes** of the meetings of the Council held on

Wed 8th July 2026 - unanimously approved by those who attended and still in post (2 abstentions) &

Wed 12th August 2026 - approved (1 abstention).

4. To receive any **declarations of interest** in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, and to consider any requests for dispensations in respect of DPIs. Cllr Thompson declares interest in Planning item S26/1217. It is noted that DPI forms need overhaul – see 10.22.

5. Review of All items on July **Actions** Log and any subsequent actions based on 8th July meeting minutes.

6. **Clerk's & Chairman's reports on matters outstanding:**

01 Neighbourhood Planning, Local Plan & Conservation area – updates given, Local Plan suspended but need a watching brief due to hold of Local Government Re-organisation, Neighbourhood Planning Group member thought that CGPC should store and publish a chronology of planning issues / applications / decisions, group to publish minutes on Facebook.

02 S106 funds from new developments – CGPC to contact SKDC for update

03 Issues associated with the new housing estates – CGPC to take matters further on stink

04 Highways feedback – no update

05 Co-option of new Cllrs – co-option complete

06 Resignation of clerk / appointment of new clerk – recruitment of new clerk complete – Chairman's view on what needs doing with August emails to clerk and payments / RFO duties stated

7. **Matters to be resolved:**

07 Laxton Lane, consider actions needed – CGPC to report overgrowth on Fix-My-Street

08 Agree plan to carry out maintenance of the Beacon – CGPC to get quotations

8. Reports from:

Planning: to consider planning applications received prior to & after publication of the agenda:

National Grid WMEL Stage 2 consultation / notice on A151 – packs received by residents, presence required at meetings, NG stall at Sheep Fair, campaign group set up, course of action uncertain

22/0731 Allison Homes / S21/1841 David Wilson Homes / S22/1808 Nott'm Housing Assoc'n – no update

S26/0979 – Muller proposed development of 144 houses / PROTECT CORBY GLEN – awaiting decision

S24/0568 – Anaerobic Digestion Facility, Sewstern Road, Gunby – no update

(S26/0903 – Flatters – permission granted) – noted

S26/1213 – Thomas – 12 Church St – retrospective planning? – no objection

Fire Station pre-planning – wireless infrastructure upgrade – no comment

(S26/1217 – 5 Church Street – summer house removal ahead of replacement outbuilding – no SK email received) - noted

Greens Working Group:

09 Assets update (Discuss Sovereign visit, maintenance of equipment as discussed in July) – visit not buddied by CGPC so unaware of situation, CGPC to chase

9. Payments and Accounts:

(i) Bank balances – to be provided as appropriate

(ii) Invoices for payment – to approve payments to be made if appropriate – see appendix

10. Matters to be further discussed at the meeting:

10 Consider legal position re access across The Green, – signs to be erected, records of issues to be sent to and kept by clerk, letters sent to residents about issues (draft to be circulated within CGPC first), letter to school and dance academy needed

11 Consider delegation of planning / NP liaison within PC in lieu of Chair (removed but added again) – Cllr Walsingham resigns as voting/admin member from NP Group

12 Agree recording of vehicular Green Access via a log – spreadsheet to be kept – see 10

13 Consider whether to add trees to asset list, - no need to add any saplings planted since 2017

14 Consider need for interim survey of trees not currently included on inspection list, - not needed, issues passed to inspector

15 Expenses policy matters, no update

16 Clarify existing Defib situation and any need to replace parts, - £70 spend for pads agreed

17 Discuss Community Speed Watch situation, - Cllr Mardling to update for next meeting

18 Discuss Emergency Plan situation (see Irnham PC email), - Cllrs involved to update, contact Irnham

19 Agree action on repeated flooding / sewage issue on The Green (Tanners Lane and play area), - already dealt with (?)

20 Discuss Bourne road bus stops and email about Swinstead Road bus stop – residents to be advised by Clerk to contact LCC Highways

21 Discuss LCC Grit offer, - Clerk to accept offer

22 Agree action on need to update DPI forms – Clerk to do what is necessary and check SKDC information

- 23 Discuss email about new notice board – CGPC to reply to SKDC
- 24 Discuss review of policies and need for Cllrs to adhere to Code of Conduct and Social Media Policy, - Cllrs to adhere to policies, especially Code of Conduct, Clerk to review all policies in time
- 25 Discuss need to communicate to central government (and others?) about housing and housing policy, - suggested that a meeting with SKDC Planning Officer should be arranged, Cllr Mardling to draft a communication about housing to central government
- 26 Clerk's pay award discuss implication and agree action [not needing closed session] – previous and new clerks to liaise
- 27 Discuss Sheep Fair 2026 if not discussed at open forum, - communicate wish for no public parking on public green spaces, café staff required
- 28 Discuss Remembrance services 2026 if not discussed at open forum, - covered on preceding meeting, service at 10:45 Remembrance Sunday, poppy erection, old wreathes supply, RBL donation, sound system, electric supply confirmation and leaf clearance needed – group effort [Schools doing 9:15 on the 11th November]
- 29 Discuss Christmas & Christmas Eve 2026 [Market Place position and Tree Fund] if not discussed at open forum, - expectation to mark as usual pending future Buttercross discussions
- 30 Discuss SIDs situation, - 2 broken, Cllr Shepperson to take forward
- 31 Discuss position of maintenance of Buttercross – Cllr Hamblin to inspect and look for cost estimations to make any repairs, reporting back ASAP
- 32 Discuss condition of highways and footpaths, including weed growth, - tell LCC Highways, utilise CG Community group
- 33 Discuss and agree action regarding overhanging growth on the Barleycroft / Pridmore passageways – CGPC to politely request resolution from resident(s)
- 34 Update from Corby Glen Community Group – litter pick(s) planned

11. **To confirm date of the next meeting, currently scheduled for Wednesday 14th October 2026 at 7.30pm in the Willoughby Memorial Gallery, Corby Glen.**

Meeting closed 9:??pm.

James Walsingham, Chair – acting as support for Parish Clerk