Tarleton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th June 2026 at 7.30pm at the Pavilion, Carr Lane, Tarleton

Present
Cllrs. R Bryan; S Bryan; R Evans; M Evans; Latham; Mee; Wareing; Eminson; McDiarmid; Hargreaves; Tyson and Daly.

One member of the public was present.

A member of the public raised concerns regarding Gorse Lane, noting that the road should be subject to a 50mph speed limit, reducing to 30mph at the S bend. The Chairman advised that the matter would be considered under the relevant agenda item.

2026/015 Chairman's welcome and opening remarks
The Chairman Cllr S Bryan welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2026/016 Apologies for absence: None.

2026/017 Notifications of Interests: There were no declarations of interest.

2026/018 Minutes of the last meeting
It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2026 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2026/019 Clerks Report (for information only)

a) The Clerk advised the internal audit was completed without issue
b) The External Audit had been submitted and the public rights notice had been published. It was noted that the Council could not answer "yes" to Assertion 10 at this time, as some Councillors were still using personal email addresses and further information, including Councillor contact details, needed to be published on the website. This was in the process of being set up.
c) The Clerk advised that the new furniture had been delivered, with the sofas due on Friday. Replacement worktops were awaited for the bar benches, where screws had gone too far into the corners. These were due to be replaced in approximately three weeks, but would be made right in the meantime.
d) The Clerk advised that now the room had been redecorated and furnished, it would be ideal to think about local photography to display on the walls. Members were encouraged to put forward any photographs to the Clerk before the next meeting.

2026/020- Parish Council Working Groups

a) Sports & Community Users Committee- Nothing to report
b) Estate Management Working Group- The Clerk reported that she had spoken with the Estate regarding the leases and the proposed car park. The ecological work had been completed and the architect was preparing 3D images. Rob had asked for Councillors to provide a date in the near future, together with nominated Councillors, including Ward Councillors, for the plans to be presented.
c) Communication Working Group- Nothing to report
d) Finance Working Group – Nothing to report
e) Mere Brow Village Hall Working Group- it was noted the fence panel at the play area had yet to be replaced.
f) Planning Working Group – Nothing to report

2026/021 Financial Matters

(a) It was resolved that the below mentioned payments should be approved.

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(b) Items of income received since last meeting:

None.

(c) It was resolved that the financial statement to the 31st March 2026, which had been previously circulated, should be approved.

2026/022 Annual Internal Audit Report 2025/26

It was resolved to receive the report of the internal auditor and to note that there were no matters arising in the report.

2026/023 Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

It was resolved that the Chairman and Clerk sign Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 being part of the annual External Audit for the year ending 31 March 2026.

2026/024 Accounting Statements 2025/26 It was resolved that the Chairman and Clerk sign Section 2 Accounting Statements 2025/26 being part of the annual External Audit for the year ending 31 March 2026.

2026/025 Planning Matters

a) The following applications were considered:

i) 2026/0347/FUL - Holmes Methodist Church, Park Lane, Tarleton, Preston, Lancashire. No representation.

ii) 2026/0284/FUL - Lovania Nurseries Offices, 182 Blackgate Lane, Tarleton, Preston, Lancashire. No representation.

iii) 2026/0331/FUL - 14 Kearsley Avenue, Tarleton, Preston, Lancashire, PR4

6BQ. No representation.

iv) 2026/0352/FUL - Land to the rear of Cross House, Liverpool Old Road, Sollom, Tarleton, Lancashire. No representation.

v) 2026/0365/FUL - The Bungalow, New House Farm, Gorse Lane, Tarleton, Preston. No representation.

vi) 2026/0356/FUL - Rear of 97 Blackgate Lane, Tarleton, Lancashire, PR4 6UT.

vii) 2026/0425/PIP - Land rear of 22 Blackgate Lane, Tarleton, Lancashire. No representation.

b) The following planning notifications received after publication of the agenda and up to the time of the meeting were considered:

viii) 2026/0435/LDC - Nook Farm, Gorse Lane, Tarleton, Preston, Lancashire.

ix) 2026/0439/CU1 - Walker Fold Farm, Carr Lane, Tarleton, Lancashire, PR4 6BY.

x) 2026/0448/FUL - Linden Lea, Doctors Lane, Sollom, Tarleton, Preston.

2026/0356/FUL - It was resolved that a comment should be submitted raising concerns regarding loss of amenities for local residents and outlining the original planning statement being so far from what had been built and what was now propose along with insufficient parking for all proposed units.

No issues arose from any other application.

2026/026 Gorse Lane, Tarleton

Members considered speeding and road safety concerns on Gorse Lane, noting two serious accidents in the previous six weeks. It was agreed that the Clerk should press Lancashire County Council Highways and the Police to review speed limits on Moss Roads, including a possible reduction to 40mph, circulate the incident reporting link, and ask whether the Police could attend the July meeting.

It was further agreed that Highways and the MP should be invited to discuss the matter, that Gorse Lane should remain on the July agenda, and that SPID locations should be explored, including on private land at Gorse Lane, elsewhere in the parish, and at Mere Brow Primary School.

2026/027 CCLA Investment

Members considered the CCLA investment fund. It was agreed that the Finance Working Group should explore what interest could be achieved through longer-term investment options, including whether a NatWest Sweep account was available, and that the matter should be discussed at a future meeting.

2026/028 Correspondence

There was no correspondence to note.

2026/029 Next Meeting

The date and location of the next meeting is scheduled for Monday 13th July 2026 at 7.30pm at the Pavilion, Carr Lane.