

Hartington Upper Quarter Parish Council

Meeting held Wednesday 3rd June 2026 at 7.30pm
at Sterndale Moor Social Club

Minutes

Present:

Cllrs Oliver (Chair), Jackson, Melland, Staden, Watson

Clerk - Jocelyn Granger

4 members of the public

Apologies:

Cllrs Temperley, Grooby

		Actions
1	Meeting opened at 7.38pm.	
2	No Declaration of Interest in any Agenda items.	
3	A member of the public raised concerns about the sign on the gate adjacent to the war memorial at Brandside, the camera fixed to a tree on the old Methodist land and how much longer the skips beside School House will be on site. Clerk to contact Mr Pilmoor and point to be added to next meeting Agenda.	Clerk
4	Minutes for both meetings on 6 th May 2026 accepted as a true and accurate record; proposed by Cllr Jackson, seconded by Cllr Staden and signed by Cllr Oliver.	
5	Password for the Councillors email inbox has been changed and Cllrs Watson and Melland now have access. This password will be updated by the Clerk regularly going forward. 2 factor authentication only works with one mobile number which is not possible with multiple users accessing the same inbox.	Clerk
6.1	As of 1 st June 2026, the Council's current account bank balance was £1160.00 and the deposit account balance £19933.96.	
6.2	The following bank payments were approved: Playsafety Limited - £114.00, Richard Fletcher - £70.00, The Ford Partnership - £168.00 and Jocelyn Granger, Clerk - £722.14. There were no serious issues raised by the Sterndale Moor Playground inspection. Clerk to forward a copy of the report to all Councillors. The following DD payments were noted: EDF - £11.25, HMRC - £275.62, Ionos Cloud - £12.00. It was agreed to set up a Direct Debit with HMRC for contributions. Form signed and to be actioned by Clerk. It was queried if the Council receives Small Business Relief on NI contributions – Clerk to find out. The Clerk now has online access to the bank accounts. Form signed to remove Peter Leppard's access. Clerk to action.	Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk
6.3	No income received since last meeting. The Council is awaiting payment of 2 x camping invoices but neither are significantly overdue. Clerk will monitor. Clerk confirmed that the Council received payment of £1684.00 for the Parish Support Grant (included with the Precept payment) in April - query from meeting 8 th April.	Clerk
6.4	2025/26 Reconciliation statement reviewed and approved, AGAR form signed by RFO/Clerk and Cllr Oliver. Clerk to process.	Clerk

7	<u>Sterndale Moor</u>	
7.1	Defib now registered with The Circuit. Device still serviceable but about 10 years old so replacing the damaged case is uneconomical. Clerk to pursue grant funding options for a new device including case.	Clerk
7.2	First Aid/Defib training to be postponed to the Autumn. Clerk to get some dates for both locations.	Clerk
7.3	Grant application for funding for new Play Area now submitted to Tarmac Limited Landfill Communities Fund (LCF). Decision due late September 2026. It should be noted that Breedon were happy to donate materials and volunteers to help with the Play Area rather than funding. The Works Manager would also be happy to show any visitors around the site. New Skate Park – the Council agreed that this initiative needs to be driven by a local residents/parents' group. Cllr Melland will bring it up at the next Social Club Committee meeting.	
7.4	Clerk to contact original supplier of the Notice Board and complain that it's not fit for purpose being only 4 years old.	Clerk
8	<u>Brandside</u>	
8.1	The Council needs an update on the roofing work at School House and to establish the situation with regard to the scaffolding. Clerk has been in contact with High Class Roofing and Zurich to keep both updated.	Clerk
8.2	Cllr Staden will compile a list of other maintenance work needed (loose roof tiles, soffits, guttering). Richard Fletcher has been asked to look at the large wooden window to the rear. Clerk to chase.	Cllr Staden Clerk
8.3	Four grant applications for varying amounts for the Accessible WC have been submitted. Decision timescales vary from July - October. Clerk keeping contractor updated.	
8.4	Peter Bywater confirmed that installing a gas tank would only be economical if the Council used 20+ gas bottles annually. It was agreed to accept the quote from Bywaters for £983.00 gross to move the gas bottles. The automatic changeover regulator on the gas bottles is not working. Clerk to get a new one priced up from Bywater to be fitted at the same time or sooner. Two bottles gas need to be ordered ready for the next group of campers on 24 th June.	Clerk Clerk Clerk
8.5	Defib now registered with The Circuit.	
8.6	It was unanimously agreed to allow the booking request for 17 th /18 th August. Fees will be charged at the standard rates.	
9	There were no new planning applications since last meeting.	
10	Clerk attended the Locality Action Plan (LAP) Local Engagement Workshop on 21 st May for the Southern Peak (Buxton) Cluster. The aim was to start working on a plan that will influence how the post LGR (Local Government Review – moving to a Unitary Authority) council will operate. Opinion was sought on priorities for the area, 'what good looks like', retaining individual parish identities etc but with no participation from other parishes on this session, it will be interesting to see if further input has been gained from other clusters.	
11	<u>Highways</u> No existing or new issues.	
12	<u>Next meeting</u> Wednesday 8 th July 2026 at Brandside Parish Hall at 7.30pm.	
13	Meeting closed at 8.40pm.	

Signed by Cllr Suzanne Oliver:

Date: