



Stoke Mandeville Parish Council

Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL** meeting held on Tuesday 18th
August 2026 at the Community Centre, Eskdale Road.



Present: Cllrs K Shanahan (Chair), M Broad, B Ezra, D Field, J Gates, S Kirve, A Lennard, K Middleton, L Prestage, G Shrivastava, J Theobald, and P Wood (arrived at 8pm).

Buckinghamshire Council: Cllr Strachan.

Absent: n/a

Clerk: A Skeggs

Assistant Clerk: Apologies

Public Attendance: None

No.	Description	Action
26/94	APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE There were no apologies as everyone was present.	
	OPEN FORUM FOR RESIDENTS - There were no questions from the floor. - Cllr Field gave an update from Buckinghamshire Council.	
26/95	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION - There were no new declarations for interest. - There were no requests for dispensation.	
26/96	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS - The minutes of the meeting of the 21st July were unanimously AGREED. - The action plan was reviewed which showed a number of completed actions.	
26/97	PLANNING COMMITTEE - Minutes – Cllr Theobald presented the draft minutes of the Planning Committee held on 28th July. After consideration they were NOTED. - Consultation Meetings – Cllr Shanahan gave an update on the arrangements for the two consultation meetings to consider the draft Local Plan. Both MPs had been invited to speak. A presentation would show the impact on the Parish. The online meeting would follow the same format as the in-person meeting. Residents would be shown how they could register their comments. Assistance would also be available at libraries and the Buckinghamshire Council planning department. - S106 Allocation – The Clerk informed the meeting that Buckinghamshire Council needed a S106 allocation for the site South of the Village that was going to appeal. After consideration it was AGREED to submit the following wording - “Procurement of land to provide additional sport & leisure facilities and/or provision of facilities”.	Clerk
26/98	STOKE MANDEVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB The Clerk had circulated an updated version of the 2026/27 agreement taking on the comments from the last Parish Council meeting. After consideration, it was proposed by Cllr Shrivastava, seconded by Cllr Middleton, that the Agreement as circulated be approved. This was unanimously AGREED . Cllr Theobald informed the meeting that an item would be coming to the September meeting with costings for storage facilities and changing accommodation.	
26/99	MARSH LANE BURIAL GROUND It was agreed to defer consideration of the fee quote until the September meeting when it could be considered alongside some indicative costings for the project.	

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- b) It was **NOTED** that all the New Homes Bonus grant had down been claimed from Buckinghamshire Council.
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26/100 2025/26 EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

- a) The external audit report for 2025/26 was considered and it was **NOTED** that no issues had been brought the Council's attention. The Clerk was thanked for his work.
- b) It was **NOTED** that the "Conclusion of Audit" notice and been issued and was available on the website.
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26/101 FINANCE

- a) Payments made since the last meeting were **APPROVED**. See appendix 1.
- b) The Chair reviewed and signed the bank statements up to 19 August 2026 for the current and deposit accounts.
- c) It was **NOTED** that the following inter-account transfers had been performed since the last meeting in March:
- 24 July – £19,000 from deposit account to current account.
 - 5 August - £20,000 from deposit account to current account.
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26/102 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerks report was **NOTED**.

26/103 POINTS OF INTEREST

- Chiltern View – An explosion had occurred at the recycling plant. Even though it had been heard miles away it had not been reported to the environmental team at Buckinghamshire Council.
 - HS2 Liaison Meeting – The traffic light sensors on the Oxford Road were not working properly, the Engagement Team van would be visiting the Goat Centre and HS2 were still funding social activities.
 - Cool Place – Cllr Field had suggested that the Community Centre be used as a "Cool Place" during heatwaves.
 - Allotment Competition / Plan – Judging had taken place with the winners being informed in September. Cllr Ezra to be the lead on the Allotments Development Plan.
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26/104 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 15th September 2026. The Chair and the Clerk gave their apologies.

The meeting closed at 8:50 pm.

Signed _____ Dated: _____ 2026

Action List

Date	Minute	Description	By Whom	Status
21/04/26	26/46b	Book training course for Parish Warden.	Clerk	In Progress
19/05/26	26/60	Investigate cost of cricket nets in playing field.	Shrivastava	Outstanding
18/08/26	26/97c	Inform Bucks Council of S.106 fund allocation.	Clerk	Completed
18/08/26	26/98	Issue 2026/27 agreement to Stoke Mandeville FC.	Clerk	Completed
18/08/26	26/103	Arrange allotment competition prize giving.	Assistant	Completed

APPENDIX 1 – Payments

LIST OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 18th AUGUST 2026

RECEIPTS

Date Received	Received from	Reference	Amount Received		Details
03/08/2026	J Sasso	playing fd	625.00	-	625.00 Second Quarter Exclusive Use Payment
03/08/2026	CCLA	interest	253.55	-	253.55 Interest for July
09/08/2026	Lloyds Bank	july	160.64	-	160.64 Interest for July
30/05/2026	NatWest Bank	june	198.90	-	198.90 Interest for June
Total Receipts			1,238.09	-	1,238.09

PAYMENTS - From Current Account

Direct Debits			Gross	VAT	Net	Transaction Detail
31/07/2026	Onecom	7852495	89.59	14.93	74.66	Office Phone to 30th June 2026
20/08/2026	Castle Water	10010934122	21.74	-	21.74	Allotments Water 1 July to 31 July 2026
07/08/2026	Lloyds Bank	490790961	25.89	-	25.89	Bank Charges to 9th July Current A/c
15/08/2026	Lloyds Bank	491843457	8.50	-	8.50	Bank Charges to 9th July Debit Card A/c
19/08/2026	Peoples Pension	july	438.61	-	438.61	Pension Costs July 2026
			584.33	14.93	569.40	

Online Bank Transfer - Paid 24th July

13/07/2026	Caloo	10328	360.00	60.00	300.00	Replacement Arm Bike Handle Set
01/07/2026	Windowflowers	77567	629.77	104.96	524.81	Flower Bed on the Village Green
20/07/2026	Gardenforces	2026-07-116	1,506.00	251.00	1,255.00	Construction of Post & Rail Fence Allotments
05/06/2026	Crowford & Brackley	9376	276.00	46.00	230.00	Attending to Leak in PC Storeroom
15/07/2026	Thames Valley Skip Hire	8207	264.00	44.00	220.00	Hire of Skip for Playing Field.
21/07/2026	Clir P Wood	expenses	60.25	-	60.25	Summer Planting of Hawkslade Planters
22/07/2026	Tulu Toilet Hire	STO002	98.57	16.43	82.14	Portable Toilet for Playing Field - Final Bill
22/07/2026	PKF Littlejohn	SB20260113	1,008.00	168.00	840.00	External Audit of 2025/26 AGAR
24/07/2026	ABI Entertainment	1560	120.00	-	120.00	Deposit for Halloween Disco.
24/07/2026	Hope After Harm	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
24/07/2026	Weston Turville WI	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
24/07/2026	Mini Beasts Rescue	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
24/07/2026	Dan's Community Group	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
24/07/2026	Aylesbury Vale Autistic Socierty	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
24/07/2026	SOBS	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
			7,322.59	690.39	6,632.20	

Online Bank Transfer - Paid 29th July

29/07/2026	Clerk	July	2,340.95	-	2,340.95	Salary for July 2026
29/07/2026	Assistant Clerk	July	965.63	-	965.63	Salary for July 2026
29/07/2026	Parish Warden	July	621.40	-	621.40	Salary for July 2026
29/07/2026	HMRC	Tax & NI	1,112.38	-	1,112.38	Tax and NI for July 2026
31/05/2026	R Haines	June	435.00	-	435.00	Playing Field Bin Emptying / Litter Picking
			5,475.36	-	5,475.36	

Online Bank Transfer - Paid 5th August

05/08/2026	Aylesbury 100s Rotary Club	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
05/08/2026	Hawkslade Farm Preschool	donation	500.00	-	500.00	Charitable Donation - Party in the Park
30/07/2026	St Mary The Virgin	ark2026/50	40.00	-	40.00	Hire of Ark for AITC Four Sessions in July
30/07/2026	SMVCA	fun&fitness	44.00	-	44.00	Hire of Park Room for Fun & Fitness
	ABI Entertainment	1570	150.00	-	150.00	Deposit for Kids Winter Wonderblast.
31/07/2026	CDS	76577	9,179.28	1,529.88	7,649.40	Project Management Burial Ground (July)
31/07/2026	CDS	76580	3,120.00	520.00	2,600.00	Planning Conditions 7 & 11
03/08/2026	Gardenforces	2026-08-123	432.00	72.00	360.00	Branch removal from two footpaths
03/08/2026	Willsbyrne Construction Ltd	67	5,675.46	945.91	4,729.55	War Memorial Deposit
04/08/2026	Drax	1109552630	566.18	94.36	471.82	Street Lighting for July
			20,206.92	3,162.15	17,044.77	

From Clerks Debit Card Account

31/07/2026	Stihl	917669755	200.20	33.36	166.84	Extendable Hedgetrimmer / Blades
04/08/2026	B&Q		18.11	3.02	15.09	Three Bags of Sharp Sand & Can of WD40
05/08/2026	Stihl	917713672	75.99	12.67	63.32	Battery and Charger Pack for New Strimmer
10/08/2026	Entreprise Skiphire	T21374/75	192.00	32.00	160.00	Hire of Two Portable Toilets.
			486.30	81.05	405.25	
Total Payments			34,075.50	3,948.52	30,126.98	

This list of payments has been checked by the clerk and verified for payment.

Signed A. Skeggs (Clerk)
Date 13 August 2026

The above list of payments was approved by the Parish Council at its meeting on 18th August 2026

Signed K Shanahan (Chair)
This is an electronic signature - a hard copy with a wet signature is available.
Date 18 August 2026

APPENDIX 2 – Clerks Report

Clerks Report (For Information Only)

Below are updates to the Council on issues that are ongoing where no decision or minimal expenditure is required. The purpose of this update is to keep Councillors and the public up to date on various issues and to save time at the meeting.

Streetlights / Lighting –

- Ligo Avenue – Two lights have been reported to the electrical contractor for repair.

Community Centre / Playing Field –

- Community Centre – The paved areas around the centre are being regouted by the Parish Warden.
- Community Centre – The gate to the playing field has been damaged by a car driving into it. The motorist has contacted the Council, but repairs will be necessary.

Environmental Issues – From Residents

- Chiltern View – Reports of a large explosion from the recycling area. Heard in Aston Clinton and parts of Bedgrove. An email has been sent to the environmental health team at Bucks Council.
- Lower Road – Overhanging foliage encroaching of the footpath. A letter has been sent to the resident.

Environmental Issues –

- Nothing to report.

Allotments –

- Tenancies – The renewal of tenancy letters for the coming year will be sent out in August.

Burial Grounds -

- Nothing to report.

Other -

- Front Garden Competition – A nice thank you email has been received from one of the winners of a garden centre voucher.

Parish Warden

- Booked on to a Berks & Bucks pitch maintenance seminar on the 24th September.
- Maintaining the hedgerow on Risborough Road next to the noticeboard.
- Repairs to a couple of items of play equipment.

SMVCA Related

- Community Centre – High ceiling clean has been scheduled.
- Community Centre – Replacement lighting in the main hall scheduled.
- Waste Bin – The emptying schedule has been changed from Tuesday & Thursday to a Monday & Friday.