



## Worthington Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of **Worthington Parish Council** on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2026 held at 6:30pm, at St. Matthew's Church, Worthington.

Present: Cllr. S Haggart (Chair) · Cllr. A Stafford · Cllr. J Stewart  
Clerk: Callum Bryant · 2 Members of the Public

**299/2026      ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

It was resolved to elect Simon Haggart Chair and Ann Stafford Vice Chair.

**300/2026      APOLOGIES**

Cllrs. Ben Storer and Chris Fountain send apologies, as well as County Cllr Michael Squires.

**301/2026      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**302/2026      LOCAL POLICING REPORT**

A police report had been provided in the preceding APM. One reported crime was noted.

**303/2026      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A resident updated the meeting on the DMMO application for Footpaths 106 and 107, advising that the consultation period for objections and representations runs until 20 June and that any submissions should relate to the existence or status of the claimed rights of way. They encouraged residents and The Council to provide evidence of use, including path width, condition and any obstructions.

A resident raised concerns regarding drainage/sewerage at Bull Hill. They reported that plans showed a combined sewer with an offshoot running to the manhole at the rear of the pub, and that the fall appeared to be inadequate. During heavy rain, surface water was reported to overwhelm the Main Street sewer, causing the manhole to lift and sewage to discharge towards the brook. They further advised that the proposed solution was that a one-way valve be fitted, which would be done in due course.

**304/2026      UPDATE FROM DISTRICT / COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

No County or District Councillors were present.

**305/2026      EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

No exclusion of the public and press was necessary.

- CLOSURE OF THE PUBLIC SESSION -

**306/2026 MINUTES**

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of April as accurate.

**307/2026 ONGOING ISSUES AND UPDATES**

The ongoing issues spreadsheet was reviewed and updates were noted.

**308/2026 COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Councillor updates were received regarding allotments, planters/planting, benches on Newbold Lane, and related highways matters. The Clerk was asked to check ownership of the benches.

**309/2026 ASSET REGISTER**

Updates to the asset register and key register were reviewed and approved.

**310/2026 ALLOTMENTS POLICIES AND REGULATIONS**

It was resolved to approve the draft Allotment Regulations.

**311/2026 GRIT BINS**

It was resolved to defer this agenda item.

**312/2026 HIGHWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

Updates were noted on Post Office parking, benches on Newbold Lane, School Lane parking, Breedon Lane flooding, and signs/potholes reported to Leicestershire County Council. Council noted that 26 items had been reported to LCC and responses were awaited.

**313/2026 MAINTENANCE**

Council discussed maintenance within the parish and agreed the following works:

- 1) Fell the tree at the south-east corner of Worthington Play Area.
- 2) Authorise emergency work to the damaged swing.
- 3) Authorise Church Street play area backboard works up to £1,000.
- 4) Authorise a replacement allotment sign up to £150.
- 5) Ask the parish contractor to clear weeds from drains along Breedon Lane.

**314/2026 ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE**

- a) It was resolved to note accounts presented and expenditure against budget.
- b) It was resolved to sign the transaction summary, statements and bank reconciliation.

**315/2026 PLANNING MATTERS**

It was resolved to support the DMMO for footpaths 106 and 107 and to provide a letter of support.

**316/2026      CORRESPONDENCE AND ISSUES RAISED**

Correspondence regarding Griffydam was considered. The Clerk will respond to request receipts or invoices for any expenses incurred, which Council will then consider.

**317/2026      NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS**

Next meeting will be held at St. Matthew's Church on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm.  
Items for the next agenda will include Allotment Boundary work, grit bins, and transfer of funds to savings.

**- THE CHAIR CLOSED THE MEETING AT 20:26 -**