

**Maidwell with Draughton Parish Council**  
**LODER HALL, MAIDWELL**

**Minutes of the General Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**Present:** Cllr Munro (Chair), Cllr Paybody (Vice-Chair), Cllr Goddard, Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Blake, Cllr Hackworth. Cllr Jackson-Stops. Ward Councillor: Cllr Irving-Swift (from 8:10pm)

**45. Apologies for Absence were received:** None

**46. Declaration of Personal and Prejudicial Interests** under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda – None

**47. Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 July 2025 (v1)**  
Approved. Prop: Cllr Jenkins. Sec: Cllr Blake

**48. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 July 2025**

- i. **(31i) Planning** – Land at Dale Farm – Client appeal. Application will now be determined by the Planning Inspectorate.

**49. Open Forum** – No members of the public present.

**50. Speeding Traffic through Maidwell**

i. **Road Re-Surfacing**

- Items 3,5 & 6 from the original list – Were due to be completed under Highways Budget 2025/26. Correspondence received through Cllr Irving-Swift. Clerk has no official reply to original letter. Next steps, re-report outstanding through Fix my Street and draft another letter.
- Bridge Blueberry Lane – Works to start 1<sup>st</sup> October. Re-surfacing completed.
- Manor Road – No update.

- ii. **SID Data** – The latest speed data information was shared with all Councillors ahead of the meeting. All new data can be downloaded on the website (<https://maidwellwithdraughtonparishcouncil.gov.uk/speed-data/>)

Average speeds have appeared to drop slightly. It was noted that the new sign has made a difference to traffic entering the village.

Clerk to investigate moving the new Elan sign to a lamppost to be permanently wired rather than using battery.

**51. Sustainability**

- i. **Maidwell-Being** – The next coffee morning will be held on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September** where a plant swap/surplus produce will be shared.

**Recycle Bins** – The recycle bins are located inside the gate at Loder Hall to collect medicine blister packs, contact lens cases, old pens and toothpaste tubes for recycling.

An update on recycling locations – Superdrug now take blister packs; Specsavers no longer take contact lenses in store but option for collection online. Ryman's charge 10p a box to fill with old pens and Boots will take various other items however each item has to be scanned separately and approved before it can be deposited. Thanks to Cllr Goddard who continues to work tirelessly to recycle these items on behalf of the community.

- ii. **NCALC Climate & Nature Champion Scheme** – Clerk to register as Climate Champion on behalf of the Parish Council.

## 52. Policies

- i. Internal Controls NEW
- ii. Banking Arrangements NEW
- iii. Grants Policy – No Changes

All policies reviewed were re-adopted and copies can be found on the website.

Approved. Prop: Cllr Jenkins. Sec: Cllr Goddard

**53. Noted: WNC Annual Parish Conference** – Parishes in Partnership – **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2025** at Franklin Gardens.

**54. Noted: NCALC 78th Annual Conference** – **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025**, 10-1pm at Moulton Community Centre, Moulton – Space for 2 delegates to attend. Book by 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

## 55. Reports:

### Planning

- i) **Deadline Passed:** 2025/2792/FULL - Bay Trees, 18 Harborough Road, Maidwell, NN6 9JA - Formation of new vehicular access and side boundary wall. Deadline for Comment: 14 August 2025.

### Consultations:

The following consultations were noted by the Parish Council.

- i) **Have your say on Planning Application Requirements** - West Northamptonshire Council is inviting people to have their say on the draft Local Validation List. This document lays out the national and local requirements for planning permission specific to each application type. This activity closes 23:59 **26 October 2025**
- ii) **Emergencies: How prepared are you?** - September is Preparedness Month and as part of the national #30Days30WaysUK campaign we run an annual survey to find out how prepared people are for emergencies that may happen. This activity closes 23:59 **Friday 31 October 2025**.
- iii) **Have your say on the draft Northampton Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan**  
This activity closes 23:59 **5 October 2025**
- iv) **Deadline Passed:** Help shape the future of Northampton town centre. Closed 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- v) **Deadline Passed:** Your thoughts on the future management of Council Homes. Closed 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025

- vi) **Deadline Passed:** Feedback sought on how the Council engages with communities on its planning services. Closed 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025

All WNC consultations can be found on this website. [https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/consultation\\_finder/](https://westnorthants.citizenspace.com/consultation_finder/)

Cllr Irving-Swift entered the meeting 8:10pm.

Cllr Irving-Swift gave a short update to the Council.

Regarding re-surfacing issues and lack of response to PC letter, Cllr Irving-Swift offered to escalate further. Clerk/Cllr Munro to action.

A newsletter will be published shortly with the latest news and updates. Clerk will circulate.

Due to the change of leadership at West Northamptonshire Council, there are no changes to report while the new Councillors are settling in. An update on the Councils financial position is due at the next cabinet meeting. The Budget for 2026/27 will be presented in November.

## Finance

- 56. Accounts:** The Clerk produced accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 with a bank reconciliation, bank statement and spend v budget v forecast. **Approved and signed. Prop: Cllr Jenkins, Sec: Cllr Goddard**

### 57. Payments

- i) Resolution to approve payments

Parish Clerk – Aug-Sept'25 & Backpay - **£ 662.42**  
SLCC Membership – 50% due to be paid back by Great Oxendon - **£ 144.00**  
Blades – Grass Cutting Inv 28 – Jul'25 - **£ 174.67**

**Payments approved. Prop: Cllr Blake, Sec: Cllr Paybody**

- ii) Resolution to approve payments made since last meeting

Direct Debits  
Npower Apr'25 - IN13830758 - **£ 50.64**  
Npower May'25 - IN13830803 - **£ 40.05**  
Npower Jun'25 - IN13830854 - **£ 33.46**  
Npower Jul'25 - IN13830901 - **£ 36.68**

**Payments approved. Prop: Cllr Jenkins, Sec: Cllr Hackworth**

- iii) Resolution to approve any additional payments received since publication of agenda - None

Internal control checks were carried out. All invoices signed and approved.

- 58. Correspondence** (Additional correspondence not written below for noting only) - None

- 59. Date and Time of Next Meeting** – The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025** at 7.30pm at Loder Hall, Maidwell

***Dates of Future Meetings***

*Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025*

*Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026*

*Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Mar 2026*

*Wed 13<sup>th</sup> May 2026*

- 60.** The meeting was closed at 20:27



Date & Signature of Chairman:

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