

Baldons Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th July 2026 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Councillors Present	Cllr Dawn McGiveron (Chair DMcG), Cllr Andy Speight (AS), Cllr John Clark (JC), Cllr Adam White (AW), Cllr Sally-Anne Williams (SW), Cllr Anne Visintin (AV)
In attendance	Tom James (Locum Clerk), 2 Members of the public

Ref	Item	Notes	Action
021/26	Apologies for absence	None	
022/26	Declarations of Interests etc	None	
023/25	Minutes of the Previous Meetings	The minutes of the meeting held on 11 th May 2026 were approved and signed as an accurate record. Proposed: SW Seconded: AS	
024/26	Matters Arising		
025/26	Open Forum	Councillors were asked if they would remind Highways about cutting the hedge at the junction with Watlington Road. Volunteers have completed this work and would be asked again. The CCTV seems to have stopped the fly-tipping The Council thanked Peter Cave and Anton Williams for their skill and hard work with the new Village Green by laws. DMcG will remind villagers about the bylaws in the next newsletter. Compliments were paid to the new website.	DMcG to include bylaws in monthly newsletter
026/26	Planning	No new applications	
027/26	Internal audit	Clerk will write confirming the auditors for 2027.	Clerk to write to auditors
028/26	Schedule of Payments	This was transferred to next meeting due to change of clerks.	
029/26	Bank Reconciliation	Duly signed and approved	
030/26	Internal audit	Duly received and action points noted	
031/26	Flood works update	Final elements now completed. Final costs were £803 over the grant but this deficit should be covered by	

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		refunds from Tactical who failed to complete contracted work. DMcG thanks AS for all his hard work with the project. Budget for ongoing maintenance work set for next year (£1000)	
032/26	CIL expenditure	Current CIL funds stand at £12,000. £6,000 need to be spent by October 2027 and the remaining £6,000 spread across 2028-2030. Possible projects include replacing gates at the churches, notice boards for the church and a new cricket pavilion. Other projects will be discussed at the September meeting.	
033/26	Fire hydrant signage	Some signs are missing; fire service due to come out to inspect the concrete posts.	
034/26	Grass cutting contract	AS and DMcG have met with Tactical and have tried to resolve ongoing confusion over jobs and invoices.	
035/26	Future accounting process	The Council currently uses Scribe accounting package since October 2025. It was proposed that the Council would revert back to using an Excel spreadsheet for accounting. Proposed: JC. Seconded AW	
036/26	Use of AI	JC explained that meetings could be recorded and AI used to generate meeting minutes. Council agreed to explore this option but needed more information and likely costs.	
037/26	Item for the next Agenda		
038/26	Future dates	14th September 2026, 9th November 2026 Annual Parish Meeting set for Thursday 20th May 2027.	
	Meeting Closed	Meeting closed at 9:00pm	

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