

MINUTES OF BOTHAMSALL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 13th NOVEMBER 2025 AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Members present: Chair Cllr Hynes, Eaglen, Davis, Stothard, Barnes, McCombe, Woodcock, Clerk L Barnes.

Apologies: Cllr Limber, Notts CC

Minutes of 11th September meeting proposed a true record by Cllr Hynes, seconded by Cllr Barnes. All in favour.

Members of the public: 4, Jon Shaw, Dan Thomas, Alan and Alison Pattinson

Declarations of interest: None

Members of the public speaking:

Jon Shaw: Suggestion for a new Facebook page – a private group with pre-approved posting. To discuss with current Admin of Bothamsall Information page to open up the page for public usage instead of having to e-mail Admin to get a post added to the page.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

15/001 Highways/Road Safety

A meeting had taken place with Cllr Limber, Cllrs Hynes, Eaglen, Stothard, McCombe and Barnes attended.

Paul Hillier agreed to sending out people to look at road markings existing ones almost useless– more and larger ones needed. PE wrote to highways dept about roadworks on A614 – very poor workmanship. Weight limit for agricultural vehicles also discussed. Councillor will report back at next meeting.

– 2 ropes across road near Castle Hill – slowed down by the time vehicles get to it.

15/002 Interest groups/feedback

None.

15/003 Fly Tipping

Nothing to report.

15/022 Method/Risk Assessment & Health and Safety

Nothing to report.

21/014 Budget Update

13th September – 12th November: Income of £1243.50, 2nd instalment from BDC, VAT recovery of £63.58,

Expenses £100 to first responders, 2 grass cuts £320, Clerk £51.36

Expansion through to 8th March: Projections : £395.40 grass cutting grant, interest from Hampshire trust investment £510

Projections 2 x Clerk payments of £70, Church £100, subs £109, misc £150

Speed sign: £2400 + delivery £80. Cllr Hynes Proposed, Cllr McCombe, 2nd accepted. All in favour.

25/004 New Speed Sign

Permanent sign requested

25/007 Grass in front of garages

No grass cut in September as per advised then they'd cut every 6 weeks in growing season in 2026. Cllr Eaglen to contact Bassetlaw District council via e-mail to chase why this did not take place and confirm future cuts.

25/010 Nottingham/Nottinghamshire Local Government Re-organisation

No action

25/012 Solar panels and lease

New grant: local community fund, open for 3 weeks. 26th February 2026, applied for balance. Cllr W Limber supported. Battery to be house inside the village hall – cupboard in the kitchen. D Thomas been in touch with Insurance company. £850 extra for flat roof assessment, Surveyor. £3k electricity bill over year. Looking for £3k for the top up if grant not approved. Possibly this year, if not January. Waiting to hear back from the grant in February if unsuccessful possibly split 3 ways, Social Club, management committee and parish council. Amount to be determined. Scheme proposed. All in favour.

25/012b Village Hall Lease

Lease due for renewal after 25 years.

Solicitor to be contacted with regards a new lease. To be signed off in June 2026. Cllr Hynes proposed, Cllr Stothard 2nd. All in favour.

25/014 Weight Restrictions

There has been no reply from NCC Highways or BDC on if there is a policy in Bassetlaw on the weight restrictions on agricultural vehicles running through the village who are not connected with local farmers. The weight limit has been in place for around 45 years. No agricultural link. Heritage England re; listed buildings was discussed.

AGENDA

25/015 Police surgery report. Craig Reep – speeding correspondence.

Cllr McCoombe, Cllr Hynes. Surgery in Retford re speeding. Following discussed Speed gun,

Dorma Cottage – Narrow pavements and raised kerbs.

Join with a village who is part of the speed watch and use their camera? Cllr Woodcock to pursue pavements not safe issue. Feedback to Aiden O'Connor.

Police Surgery with PC Hollie Marsh. Feedback on all issues should have a response by set date.

25/016 Rural watch

Rural Watch, initiative set up by police participating in patrols, i.e. walking anyway. Community driven volunteer provision – report rural crime to police. Theft, poaching, illegal dumping. Rural high viz jackets. Dedicated portal to communicate with each other. Pursue the issue of the pavements not being safe with highways via Cllr Limber. Cllr Woodcock suggested and proposed.

Add to Whatsapp Group and Bothamsall Information page. Cllr Hynes and Cllr McCombe to organise.

25/017 Speed gun

Community Speed Watch, PC Hollie Marsh. Cost of own speed gun: £600 2nd hand, with guarantee. £3/4k for a new one. Police recognise a sports (Bushnell) £144 on Amazon. 2 people to oversee, make, model, colour. Report over 36 mph to police. Wait to hear from PC Hollie Marsh for feedback. Decision to be made at the next meeting. Camera signs x 2.

25/018 Defibrillator Safety Check

Fault on defibrillator batteries – checked both batteries, filled in forms, both work. Batteries in telephone kiosk need replacing November 2026.

Plans

No plans reported.

Correspondence

Community Levy: £1800+: Check criteria for expenditure. Cllr Woodcock proposed, 2nd Cllr Stothard. All in favour.

BDC supplying Black bins for glass collections to all properties in Bassetlaw from the 23rd November – end February 2026. Collections every 6 weeks from March 2026 Cllr Eaglen proposed we continue to use the bottle banks at the village hall provided by ROB. Ask residents to consider continuing to use the bottle banks in the village in support of the Charity.

All in favour. Flyer to be circulated in the December Idle Times. PE to discuss with F Waite.

Grass cutting 2026: Jason Gardiner is happy to continue cutting at same price as 2025.

Cllr Davies raised the issue with the bin attached to the bus stop where people are dropping poo bags. Cllr Barnes to look at removing piping or cover the bin.

Reminder Agenda items
• Dates for 2026 APM date to be agreed for some time in May and AGM 2 nd Thursday July 2026.
• Budget setting to be included on Agenda for January 2026 meeting.
• Defibrillator batteries – November 2026

Date of next meeting: 8th January 2026 at 7.30 pm. Meeting closed: 9.22 pm.

Andy Hynes - 22-1-26