

Minutes of the Fyfield Parish Council Meeting held on the 30th of September 2025 in Fyfield Church at 6.30pm.

Present: Cllr P Boyes – Chairman
Cllr M Hinds – Vice Chairman
Cllr V Philips
Cllr R Gimlette
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 4

Apologies: Cllr F Jefferies (Representing Fyfield Parish Council at a A342 Working Group, as our local commitment to supporting that forum including monitoring of the Draft Local Plan, significant impact on the roads. The WG consists of all the Parish Council in the area), Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook and County Councillor Mr C Donnelly.

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the July 2025 Minutes as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES.

PLAY AREA – Mr Bailey the Parish Councils Maintenance Contractor has cut back the inside of the hedge around the Play Area. Shire Fencing hopes to install the fence and gate in early October. The Bucket Ball Hoop will be installed at the same time. It was noted that there will be a 'NO DOGS' sign put at the entrance.

HIGHWAYS – Potholes are continuing to be reported to Hampshire Highways as they appear.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING SURVEY - The Parish Council acknowledge the results of the Housing Survey, which once TVBC have formally published, a link will be added to the Parish Website. The results were discussed at the previous meeting.

BUS SHELTER– The replacement glass panel has not yet been fitted.

PLANNING.

- **Ref. No: 25/02012/TREEN** - T1 - Sycamore - Crown reduce by up to 4m, reduce lower limb over wall by up to 6m - Garden House Fyfield
- **Ref. No: 24/01897/FULLN** - Demolition of three existing agricultural buildings and erection of five dwellings with hard standing, soft landscaping and associated works - Land South East Of The Wayne Grange Close Fyfield

Representatives of the Parish Council attended the Northern Area Planning Committee meeting held on Thursday 28 August 2025 5.30 pm.

The Fyfield Parish Council Chairman and a member of the public stood to provide their objections.

The planning was voted upon resulting in an equal split in favour/against. The Planning Chair was the remaining vote, who was in favour as a result the planning application was approved.

- **In other local (Outline) planning:**
- **25/02226/OUTN** - Land At Dauntsey Lane Weyhill, Outline - Erection of up to 20 dwellings, with associated access, parking, open space and landscaping, and associated works, all matters reserved except for access. The site is within the Parish of Fyfield. Councillors will study the planning application and forward their comments to the Chairman.
- **25/02233/OUTN** - The Paddocks Land East Of Dauntsey Lane Dauntsey Lane Weyhill SP11 8EB. Outline planning application for 15 dwellings including affordable housing, parking and associated infrastructure and creation of new access to Dauntsey Lane (all matters reserved).
- **Be aware of:** (Weyhill) mentioned before:
- **25/01594/FULLN** - Land South Of Amport Fields Dauntsey Drove Weyhill Hampshire - Erection of 12 dwellings (3 affordable) together with associated parking and landscaping.

Local Plan 2042 Revised Regulation 18 Public Consultation.

- Similar to our neighbouring Parish Councils, the Chairman submitted a letter to TVBC as part of the consultation prior to the 5th of September deadline.
- The Parish Councils letter acknowledge the Borough Council's obligation to respond to central government's increased housing targets, and believe the proposals are unsound, unsustainable, and fail to meet the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Parish Council's response focused on 5 key areas:
 1. Disproportionate and Unsustainable Housing Allocation
 2. Transport and Road Safety Concerns
 3. Environmental Risks to Pillhill Brook and the Chalk Aquifer
 4. Failure of Democratic and Procedural Safeguards
 5. Lack of Deliverable Infrastructure and Local Services
- Relating to this- Dunning family have drafted and submitted an alternative to the current Local Plan potential in / around Weyhill specifically.

Cllr R Munday from Thurxton PC has stated 'Feedback here is very positive to this proposal and suggesting collaborating to provide a robust and sustainable alternative approach to TVBC.'

FINANCIAL REPORT.

1st of April 2025 – 30th of September 2025

INCOME

Precept £5,500.00

Expenditure

	£
Clerk	1,800.00
Village Maintenance	803.00
Defibrillator Electric	600.00
Audit Fee	225.00
Storage	30.00
Website Fees	96.00
Road Narrow Signs	56.40
Street Lighting	170.88
3 Village Sports Trust	500.00
Fyfield PCC Grant	500.00

£4,781.28

Opening Balance 1/4/2025 = £ 6,014.28

Plus Income TVBC ½ Precept = £11,000.00

= £ 17,014.28

Less Expenditure = £ 4,781.28

Money in Bank **= £12,233.00**

AUDIT.

The Clerk reported that the Audit process for the Year 2024/2025 has completed and signed off.

BANK ACCOUNT.

The Clerk reported that the opening of the new Lloyds Bank Account has been delayed due to a technical error. Lloyds Bank hope to have this sorted soon and have offered to credit the account with £100 as compensation, once the issue has been resolved.

THRUXTON PRESERVATION SOCIETY.

Thurxton & District Protection Society (TDPS) – Met 18th September 25.

TDPS is made up of representative from Thurxton, Kimpton and now Fyfield. The Chairman has joined the TDPS to represent Fyfield.

Set up over twenty years ago for the surrounding villages to liaise with the Thurxton circuit on race schedules, noise limits and day to day running of the track.

The Chairman has received copies of the agreement with Thurxton Circuit dating back to Early 1970's specifies the maximum number of events, days etc.

- **Noise monitoring continues** and we have asked for more meaningful monitoring and release of data, at the moment it's their data not public

data and subject to interpretation. I've asked for some tangible facts we can convey to our parishioners to show how its managed and taken seriously. I've also highlighted marshals that have been witnessed driving through the village despite road closures which is to be addressed. BARC highlighted new traffic management, signage which proved successful this year to prevent A303 blockages and improve traffic flow in general.

- **Other developments** include 5 new hangers mid build. Demolition of existing control tower, a new building with deli, café, restaurant etc.
- **Sunday Race Timings** - Sunday racing may commence at 1015, rather than from 0855 to 0920 and then a racing gap until 1045.
- Whilst TDPS focus relates to motorsport and related activities and not the aircraft aspects, I did bring up the aspect of air movements. Alex Thistlewayte has provided some statistics to the Committee, air traffic is significantly less than those before the pandemic. The specifics are commercially sensitive, but I've had sight to validate.

PPF Operational Check-In - Friday 3 October 2025, Janet Wright and Beryl will no doubt keep us updated. Pump runs at Mullens Pond (red) and Stanbury Road (black) WPS shared by Keith Herbert. With groundwater levels around 3m lower than last year and therefore less groundwater infiltration into our pipes it is not surprising that pump runs are lower. However, it's good to see an overall picture and bodes well for another tanker free winter (from groundwater).

Update from TV Borough Council: On Wednesday 24th September, TVBC Full Council voted to support Option 1 of the LGR proposals. This would see a combined authority including, Test Valley, New Forest, Winchester and East Hampshire. HCC have proposed that we accept Option 3, and be lumped in with Southampton and Eastleigh, which is utterly ridiculous. Ultimately, it the government who will decide our fate. It would appear we have no say in the matter. TVBC is doing all it can to push for the best option for the Borough.

PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS.

CLLR'S MRS R GIMLETTE AND MRS V PHILIPS – Reported that they had attended a TVBC Local Parish Planning Meeting to discuss the Draft Borough Plan. The Head of TVBC was in attendance. Items raised included:

- The main concerns raised by the Local Parishes was the lack of infrastructure.
- The current strain on schools and Doctors Surgeries.
- The increase in traffic on the A342 and the fear of the villages being used as 'rat runs'.
- The Draft Borough Plan mentions a new primary school at Weyhill. The issue of staffing the school was raised as there is a current shortage of teachers applying for positions.
- TVBC confirmed that a final draft of the Borough Plan will be ready in the summer of 2026. There will then be a period of consultation.

CLLR MR P BOYES – Reported that the Village Sign and Planter at the Kimpton End of the village has been knocked over. Cllr Mr M Hinds offered to take a look and re-instate the planter. Spring bulbs will also be planted in the Parish.

Cllr Mr P Boyes reported that one of the footpath signs is broken and will need replacing. The Clerk will contact Hampshire Rights of Way for a new post and organise for the Lengthsman to fit it.

Cllr Mr P Boyes reported that the Christmas Tree Lights need replacing at a cost of approximately £150. The Parish Council all agreed to the expenditure.

Cllr Mr P Boyes wished to thank the Fyfield Parishioners for their support and comments on the contentious issues regarding planning over the past year.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Producing a Village Newsletter was discussed. The Clerk was asked to put this on the Agenda for the November meeting.

CLOSE OF THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

The Chairman closed the September Parish Council Meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

25th of November 2025 in the Fairground Village Hall, The Fairground Craft and Design Centre, Weyhill at 6.30pm

WEB SITE.

www.fyfieldparishcouncil.org.uk.