TADMARTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2026 AT 7.00PM
IN TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL (ANNEX), MAIN STREET, TADMARTON

Councillors Present
Paul Doust, Jane Fitzpatrick and Barbara Hall

Christine Coles (Parish Clerk)

26/62. Apologies
Cllr Turner (personal)

26/63. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda
Cllr Fitzpatrick declared a financial interest in the payment to Mery Wolke.

26/64. Public participation session
No members of the public were present.

26/65. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 6th July 2026
The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

26/66. To receive an update on progress from previous minutes (for report only)
The Parish Clerk to get quotes for a new noticeboard to replace the two old boards in the middle of Main Street.

26/67. Village matters

- *To discuss maintenance of the bench on Ushercombe View.* The current bench is beyond repair and it was agreed to replace the bench.
  Action: Cllr Hall to get costs for a 1.5M bench and check if the old bench is secured to the ground.
- *To discuss the village hall fans project (for information only).* The Village Hall Committee were successful in getting a grant of £2500.00 for new fans for the hall. Their AGM is being held on 28th September where it will be discussed. They have received several quotes and the fans will provide relief during the summer months. A tender document will be created. The fans will be an asset of the Parish Council which is a grant fulfilment.
- *To discuss the request for a dog bin on Highlands*. Two villagers have asked for an additional dog bin to be placed on Highlands. It was agreed to purchase one.
  Action: The Parish Clerk to ask the residents where they want it placed.

26/68. Finance Report
The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

- £260.00 to Trinity Oak (work to hedges and footpaths)
- £316.80 to N Prickett (grass cutting)
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- £312.00 to Local Technology CIC (.gov.uk email package)
- £375.00 to M Wolke (refurbishment of bus shelter in Upper Tadmarton)
- £1343.77 to Greenbarnes Ltd (new noticeboard at Highlands) *
- £90.00 to Parish Clerk (new IPAD carry case)

* The cost of the new noticeboard at Highlands is being shared by Foster Kemp who manage the area.

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Action: The Parish Clerk to raise an invoice for 50% of the cost without the VAT.

To note the opening of a 32 day notice interest bank account
It was agreed to open an interest account and move £10K over.
Action: The Parish Clerk to open the account.

To note the salary award for the Parish Clerk agreed by the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC)
The salary award is 3.3% and will be back dated to 1st April 2026.

26/69. To receive an update on planning

- *26/02244/TCA, T1 Norway Spruce – Fell at Weydale, Main Street*. It was agreed to support.
- *26/01376/TCA, G1 - Prunus spp Group of 3 prunus trees - 2 cherries, 1 cherry plum - crown reduce by 1.5m & crown thin by 15% to increase light levels to the surrounding property and maintain the tree's at a suitable size at 1 Church Furlong*. No further comments or objections by CDC.
- *26/01869/TCA, T1 & T2 – Magnolia – Fell to ground level. Tree has become overgrown for its location, restricting natural light into the property and obstructing access to the front door at 3 Mickleton View, Main Street.* No further objections or comments by CDC.

Other planning matters

- *Ongoing work at Tadmarton Grange and email from CDC Enforcement Planning.* Complaints have been received from residents about work being done without planning permission. The lane is often blocked and a lot of mess is made. CDC Enforcement were contacted and a case number was raised. The Parish Council are waiting to receive a planning application.

26/70. To review the following correspondence

- *To note a Councillor resignation in May 2027. T*he Chair will be resigning in May 2027 following ten years of service.

26/71. To receive Councillors Reports

The defibrillator checks were all done except the Highlands.
Action: Cllr Fitzpatrick to check this one and update the circuit.

The allotments were discussed. The outside hedge is overgrown. One allotment plot holder has taken on the spare plot and will pay the annual rent for both. Next year he will give his original plot up. There is rent outstanding from one more plot holder. A second plot inspection was carried out. The cups are to be engraved and given out.
Action: The Parish Clerk to ask for the outside hedge to be cut. Cllr Doust to speak to Gail Miller and Alison Saunders about the inspections and cups.

A letter was sent to a resident who has an allotment plot behind Brookfield Rise to ask if he was still able to maintain it. The allotment plot forms part of the whole area that the Parish Council would like to improve. The plot is currently being managed by family members and neighbours.
Action: The Parish Clerk to contact the Legal Department at CDC for further advice.

Four villagers have signed up for Community Speedwatch. Cllr Hall asked if four high visibility vests with 'Community Speedwatch' on the back could be ordered at a price of £36.00. It was agreed they could.
Action: Cllr Hall to order the vests.

Cllr Doust asked if a new flag could be ordered for the church. The cost is £59.95. It was agreed to accept the cost.
Action: Cllr Doust to order the flag.

26/72. To note next meeting date and time
Monday 9th November 2026 at 7pm

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.02pm.

Signed Dated 9th November 2026

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