LITTLE ADDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Saint Mary the Virgin Church, High Street, Little Addington on Monday 28th September 2026 at 7:30pm

Present: Councillors: L Brown (Chair), A Sheppard, J Cocks, S Lloyd, T Clarke, Cllr Matt Davies

In attendance: Ginny Pledger (RFO/Clerk)

LAPC26/589	**Apologies for absence.** None	**Action**
LAPC26/590	**Public participation session.** 2 members present.	
LAPC26/591	**To receive declarations of interest under the Councils Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.** None received.	
LAPC26/592	**To discuss new council candidates to fill ex-Cllr Keech's position.** **Resolved:** One candidate had applied for the councillor vacancy. The application was considered by the parish council and accepted. Tom Brown will be co-opted at the meeting in November 2026.	
LAPC26/593	**To discuss the resignation of Cllr Sonn.** The clerk has received the resignation of Cllr Sonn which has been accepted. The parish council would like to thank Cllr Sonn for their hard work and valuable contribution to the council.	
LAPC26/594	**To receive an update on the business at NNC.** Cllr Davies gave the following updates: *NNC are holding consultations on parking charges for towns in the local area. *The Data Centre at Chelveston has been approved. *KEP is still ongoing with objections to the latest proposals submitted. *Pot holes are ongoing issues for NNC.	
	Cllr Davies left the meeting at 19.50	
LAPC26/595	**To discuss the meeting for the Stage 2 Community Governance Review.** **Resolved:** Cllr Cocks attended the meeting, there wasn't really anything directly relevant for Little Addington though Cllr Cocks noticed that Little Addington was not on the list of councils who submitted their initial draft. Clerk will follow this up with Heather Jackson as our initial draft was submitted.	Clerk
LAPC26/596	**To received and approve for signature minutes of the meeting held on Monday 29th July 2026.** **Resolved:** That the minutes be signed by the Chair as a correct record of the meeting.	
LAPC26/597	**To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda, for report only.** *The council noted the introduction of the AGAR portal. The clerk will be attending a free webinar in December on it's use.	Clerk

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	*To note the letter from the solicitors regarding an alleged car accident in October 2023. The clerk informed the parish council that the letter has been forwarded to the insurance company.	
LAPC26/598	**To report on the Internal Control Councillor Checklist.** **Resolved:** Cllr Sheppard signed to approved that all checks had been completed. Cllr Lloyd to approve November's checklist. *NB: The website/noticeboard and all documents sent via email in readiness for the meeting need to have been read and checked before councillors can sign off the checklist.*	SL/Clerk
LAPC26/599	**To receive and approve the balance of account/bank reconciliation for current and MM accounts.** **Resolved:** Approved. Money Manager £36,900.51 **Resolved:** Approved. Current Account £5,570.98	
LAPC26/600	**To examine and approve bank statements.** **Resolved:** Approved.	
LAPC26/601	**To undertake a check of expenditure against the budget.** **Resolved:** Approved.	
LAPC26/602	**To approve any changes to the asset register.** None.	
LAPC26/603	**To approve and authorise payments of the following invoices.**	

	Invoice Ref		**Item**	**Total Amount**	**Notes**	**Payee**
	043.26/27	Emery	Weed Spray INV5039	£72.00	Approved	Clerk
	042.26/27	Emery	Parish Cut	£408.00	Approved	
	044.26/27	YU Energy INV04237934	Electricity	£61.59	Approved	
	045.26/27	YU Energy INV04237936	Electricity	£7.07	Approved	
	046.26/27	NCALC	Data Protection Office Fee	£14.40	Approved	
	047.26/27	Emery	Parish Cut INV5170	£408.00	Approved	
	040.26/27	Clerk	July Salary	£348.30	Approved	
	041.26/27	HMRC	Tax	£89.97	Approved	
	048.26/27	Clerk	Ink	£34.09	Approved	
	050.26/27	HMRC	Tax	£89.77	Approved	
	051.26/27	YU Energy INV04430491	Electricity	£7.07	Approved.	
	052.26/27	YU Energy INV04371514	Electricity	£73.69	Approved.	
	053.26/27	SLCC	Membership for clerk	£170.00	Approved.	
	054.26/27	Copytrack	Compensation for copyright infringement	£307.37* (EUR350)	Approved.	
	055.26/27	HSBC	Processing fee for Copytrack	£30.00	Approved.	
	056.26/27	Emery	Parish Cut	£408.00	Approved.	
	057.26/27	PWLB Loan	Streetlighting Loan	£471.03	Approved.	

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	Resolved: Approved for payment.	
LAPC26/605	**To note planning decisions made by NNC.** None received.. Cllr Clarke advised that application 26/02207/FUL had been submitted but the clerk has received no correspondence from the planning department at NNC. Clerk to confirm with the NNC planning.	Clerk.
LAPC26/606	**To consider and resolve the council's response to planning applications listed below plus any other planning applications advised by North Northamptonshire Council and available on its website between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting to which it pertains.** (a) Kettering Energy Park (NK/2025/0167) Cllr Cocks reported that there was a good response to the public presentation at the Kettering Arts Centre. Objections have been submitted by Anglian Water, Environment Agency, CPRE etc as well as the objections from Little Addington and the surrounding villages and towns.	
LAPC26/607	**To receive a report from the Village Neighbourhood Plan Group.** The clerk has received confirmation that Regulation 16 has commenced and will run for 8 weeks. Thanks were extended to the Neighbourhood Plan Group and the consultant Colin Wilkinson for their hard work in getting the plan to this stage with no amendments. The clerk will issue a formal thanks to Colin Wilkinson.	Clerk.
LAPC26/608	**Speed Watch Campaign** **Resolved:** The Clerk has received communication that Northants Police Force are issuing grants up to £5,000 for VSI signs. It was agreed that the clerk will apply for a grant.	Clerk.
LAPC26/609	**To review the car parking situation around the village.** The paperwork has been submitted to the council for consideration for yellow lines to be installed. We are awaiting the decision.	Clerk
LAPC26/610	**To consider refurbishment of the village sign.** Deferred to next meeting.	LB
LAPC26/611	**To discuss the promotional sign of The Bell Inn at the top of Chapel Hill.** **Resolved:** It was agreed that only temporary signs which promote an asset to the community may be placed on the grass verge. The clerk will prepare a draft for consideration at the next parish council meeting.	Clerk.
LAPC26/612	**To discuss the village chicanes.** The clerk reported that they had been unable to obtain a response from Chris Bond. It was agreed that the clerk would forward the email correspondence to Cllr Matt Davies, requesting that they follow up on the parish council's behalf.	Clerk.
LAPC26/613	**To discuss Remembrance Sunday and the purchasing of a poppy wreath.** **Resolved:** Clerk to order 1 wreath	Clerk.
LAPC26/614	**To receive a report from LA Bloomers.**	

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	Resolved: Cllr Sheppard noted that the Scarecrow Festival had been a great success and thanked everyone involved in organising and supporting the event. A meeting will be held in 2 weeks to discuss future events.	
LAPC26/615	**To receive a report regarding the Addingtons Playing field.** **Resolved:** Cllr Cocks reported Great Addington have applied for a grant for a free consultation on the development of the playing field. It is noted that Little Addington supports the grant application.	
LAPC26/616	**To receive any updates from the Clerk.** **Resolved:** *The replacement of the telegraph pole in Amen Place has been pushed back to the 24th November 2026. *The application to Unity Bank has been completed. The clerk is awaiting to hear if the application has been accepted. * The parish council noted the 3.3% pay increase agreed by NNC, effective retrospectively from April 2026. Noted and accepted. *Back dated pay for the clerk is due at £85.50. Approved. *Subscription renewal for Microsoft Office is due at £84.99. Approved.	Clerk.
LAPC26/617	**To discuss roles and responsibilities of Councillors.** Deferred to December's meeting due to resignation of councillors.	
LAPC26/618	**Notice of Vacancy for Cllr Sonn** **Resolved:** Notice of Vacancy has been issued by NNC and placed on their website as well as Little Addington's and the noticeboard, once the time has expired a notice for candidates to apply will be issued.	Clerk.
LAPC26/619	**To advise on items to be included in the next issue of Saints Alive! – November edition.** *Ladies Night, Gt Addington & Lt Addington Christmas Meal Saturday 7th November. *Thanks for all who contributed to the Scarecrow Festival *Car parking on pavements.	Clerk.
LAPC26/620	**To identify any future agenda items for the meeting on 9th November 2026.** *Precept *Additional communication to villagers (leaflets etc)	
LAPC25/621	**To close the meeting.** Meeting closed at 20:51 Date for next meeting Monday 9th November at 7:30pm at St Mary the Virgin Church, Little Addington.	

Signed: L L Brown **Dated:** 19/10/2026.