



MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 2026

COUNCILLORS: Wilkinson, Thelwell, Platten, Hannan & Watson

Clerk: Martin Clark

Others: 1 resident (from item 4)

1. Election of Chair for municipal year 2026/27

Cllr Andrew Wilkinson was proposed and seconded.

Resolved – That Cllr Andrew Wilkinson be duly elected to the Chair of Gainford & Langton Parish Council for the municipal year 2026/27.

2. Declaration of Office form to be signed by the Chair

Resolved – Cllr Wilkinson signed his Office of Declaration as Chair.

3. Acceptance, or otherwise of apologies

Cllr's Jackson & Jerome submitted their apologies.

Resolved – That the submitted apologies be accepted.

4. Programme of meetings for 2026/27

1st Wednesday in the month excluding August (no meeting)

*June meeting Wednesday 17th. Meetings to revert to starting at 7:00pm

Resolved - That the information is received and noted.

5. Declarations of Interest

Resolved – No personal or pecuniary declarations were made.

6. Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 8 April 2026

Resolved – That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 8 April 2026.

7. Finance

7.1 May meeting reconciliation and payments.

Resolved – That the May meeting reconciliation and payment be approved.

7.2 Submitted - Annual Governance Statement & End of Year accounting statement (Sections 1 & 2 of AGAR) (subject to audit).

Resolved – (a) That Sections 1 & 2 of the Annual Governance Statement be approved; and (b) That the end of year accounts for 2025/26 (subject to audit) be approved.

7.3 Gainfest 2026

Submitted application.

Resolved – That the £1000.00 budget allocation for Gainfest 2026 be approved.

7.4 Gainford Scouts application for grant funding – item deferred

8. Village issues/Maintenance

8.1 A request has been received to plant a memorial tree on the village green.

Resolved – That permission is not given at present until further information is obtained by the Clerk.

8.2 Mr Tomlinson to be requested to give the main village areas a weed killer spray.

8.3 That alternative action is looked at to remove the fly tipping at St Peter's

9. Neighbourhood Planning (NP)

The GLPC NP was suspended in November 2020 due to lack of support and increasing costs.

It has been referred that the council consider restarting the process of preparing a plan.

Resolved – That before a decision is taken on restarting the NP an article is placed into the Focus magazine explaining what a NP plan is and what it entails to test the appetite of residents to get involved.

10. Planning

None

11. Speeding Group

Cllr Hannan went through her traffic survey results with members and desired proposals which will be referred to at the next speeding group meeting.

The survey is available to view on the council website and social media with options for people to still complete a survey:

<https://gainfordandlangtonparishcouncil.org.uk/news/>

