

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF HEALING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 14th APRIL 2026 AT 7.30 PM AT THE HEALING VILLAGE HALL, POPLAR PARK, HEALING DN41 7SR

Present: Cllr. Fieldgate (Chairman)
Cllrs. Spreadborough, Dickerson and Briggs

Apologies: Cllrs. Temple and Barker

In attendance: three representatives from RWE
Cllr. Hasthorpe, Ward Cllr., NELC

There was 1 member of the public present.

26/01 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Received from Cllr. Temple (holidays) and Cllr. Barker (family commitments) and accepted.

RESOLVED: That apologies be received and accepted.

26/02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Code of Conduct 2012) –

None made.

26/03 To approve minutes of the previous meeting held in March 2026

Parish Council minutes of meeting from March 2026.

Minutes approved as a true record of the meeting held and signed by the Chairman.

RESOLVED: That minutes be approved as a true record of the meeting held.

26/04 Police Report

To receive police report for month - no longer receiving dedicated reports for Healing and information available on the national police website but not detailed. Clerk had downloaded information and projected at meeting. Chairman to raise issue at next Town and Parish Liaison meeting. Noted.

26/05 Highways/footpaths and Traffic Issues

a) To receive and consider any highways or traffic issues

Next meeting with NELC to be Monday 27th April 2026. Noted.

Parking at school to be tabled at meeting. Noted.

b) To receive correspondence regarding dog and litter bins and consider any actions

Discussed and Clerk to respond advising that provision of bins not the issue but the emptying of them, especially with more remote/non-highway locations. Noted.

Public Session

Chairman thanked Cllr. Hasthorpe for his input whilst serving as a Ward Councillor. Cllr. Hasthorpe would be retiring in May 2026. Nothing raised.

26/06 Planning Matters

To consider the following planning applications:

No applications to date of meeting

Proposed Stallingborough Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) – consultation

Representatives present as part of ongoing consultation process and gave short presentation on the proposals for the new power station.

To receive any planning decisions and any representations regarding development made at the meeting – decisions circulated as received and nothing else received.

26/07 Future Dates

Next Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 12th May 2026 – Annual Parish Council Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting for Healing – Tuesday 12th May 2026

Quiz Night – Saturday 9th May 2026

Summer Event 2026 – 20.06.26

Summer Clubs - 4 sessions

Any other future dates to receive -Town and Parish Liaison – 16.04.26

26/08 Reports

Seniors Lunch March

Well received. Thanks to Infuso, Healing Manor and the schools and Cllrs. for assisting.

To receive any other reports – none received.

26/09 Parks/Land Management

a) To receive update on field cut for Moated Site for 2026

Clerk had spoken to contractor who had advised it would be later in the year in late Summer to carry out the cut. Contractor would liaise with Cllr. Spreadborough closer to the time. Noted.

b) To receive notice from NELC re annual subsidy

Purchase order received and Clerk to submit total figures for park maintenance to receive the subsidy. Noted.

c) To receive notice of complaint from resident

Complaint received from resident re overgrown tree and issue dealt with by contractor and Chairman on site. Any future correspondence to be forwarded to insurance company as required. Noted.

d) To consider issue of scooters using the playing fields and consider any action

Noted that scooters using the playing field. Difficult to bar the gateway as access for wheelchairs and buggies etc. had to be maintained. Members to monitor.

Cllr. Spreadborough reported on problems at Moated Site. Bridge built onto Quintessential site. Cllr Spreadborough to monitor and report back.

26/10 Parish Matters for consideration/update inc Newsletter

a) To note next edition for May 2026 and note necessary increase in print numbers

Another 30 to be printed.

RESOLVED: That number of copies of Healing Newsletter be increased by number agreed.

b) To consider issues with social media and social media policy

Policy is that Clerk controls social media output. Press dealings are Chair and Clerk only in liaison together. Policy of factual responses only to general social media pages outside of the control of the Council and all contained in updated social media policy which was shown to all members.

RESOLVED: That Council is aware of its social media policy.

26/11 Healing Village Hall

- a) Receive report on any works or repairs required to village hall including update on car park repairs

Car park repairs scheduled for when weather is suitable. Noted.

- b) To note local elections on 7th May and use of hall as polling station

Noted.

26/12 Events

To receive update on events planned –

Summer Event

Trailers organised, marquee and fence work confirmed, food confirmed. Licence applied and obtained from NELC.

Summer Clubs –

Wednesday 29th July – Andy Carr; Wednesday 5th August– Sports Session;
Wednesday 12th – Nunny’s Farm, Wednesday 19th August – Creation Station

26/13 Finance

- a) To approve payments to be made as per list for this meeting

Payments approved to be made as per schedule circulated.

RESOLVED: That payments be made as per schedule circulated.

- b) To receive and consider ERNLLCA Renewal for 2026/27

ERNLLCA Renewal £1,003.88 approved for membership for the year.

RESOLVED: That ERNLLCA membership be renewed for 26/27.

- c) To receive date for internal audit for fy 25/26

Initially booked for Wednesday 22nd April 2026 – 12.30 pm – in the meeting room at the Village Hall. Clerk advised any members would be welcome to attend if they wished to do so. Noted.

26/14 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: exemption of press and public for remainder of meeting under Public Bodies Admissions To Meetings Act 1960, Section 1 (2) on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose confidential information¹

26/15 Personnel Matters

- a) To agree salary payments as per list

Salaries approved to be made as per list circulated.

RESOLVED: That salaries be approved to be made.

- b) To note closure of PAYE year 25/26, new year 26/27 and nlw increases as agreed

Noted and ongoing.

Chairman closed the meeting at 21.00

Signed:.....

Date:

¹ Undr Prt 1 of Schedule 12A of the LGA 1972 (as amended)

