

## DRAFT

# Cold Ashby Parish Council

**Draft minutes of ordinary general meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, in the Playing Field Pavilion at 7.30p.m.**

**Present:** Councillors Bailey (RB), Harpham (NH), Peel (AP), Alex Taylor (AT), Fiona Taylor (FT), Rachel Williams (RIW) and Richard Williams (RdW). One member of the public. Jonathan Ward-Langman (Clerk, JBW-L).

**25.09.01 – Apologies:** Councillor Christine Ware (CW, WNC).

**25.09.02 - Minutes of the General Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025:** approved unanimously, (proposed AT, seconded NH).

**25.09.03 - Matters arising:**

- RB confirmed that he would take a reading from the water meter at the cemetery.
- The Council continues to seek a volunteer from the community to take on the role of Climate and Nature (CAN) Champion.

**25.09.04 - Open forum:**

- A member of the public queried whether reservation of plots at the cemetery was permitted. Councillors confirmed that it was not.
- A member of the public noted that lorries had been parked at Stanford Close for some time. It was believed that they were connected with building work.

**25.09.05 – Accounts:**

- Members approved the attached accounts for August 2025 (Annex A) and authorised the payments recorded, together with two invoices for street lighting electricity supply received from Npower after the agenda had been distributed. Approved unanimously, (proposed FT, seconded RB). **(Action JBW-L).**

**25.09.06 – Planning matters: 20251052FULL** General purpose agricultural storage building for land maintenance. **Fieldfare Stanford Road Cold Ashby NN6 6EP.** No objections; approved unanimously. **(Action JBW-L).**

**25.09.07 – Cedars Farm Streetlighting (*see attached*).** Discussed. Agreed that Parish Council should respond stating that, in the interest of highway safety, it supports the provision of additional lighting as originally proposed. Approved 5 votes in favour, 2 against, (proposed RdW, seconded RIW). **(Action JBW-L).**

**25.09.08 – Insurance Policy renewal:** (*see forwarded email and attachment*). Reviewed questionnaire and agreed to submit with revisions **(Action JBW-L).**

**25.09.09 - Spanglefish proposed upgrade:** (*see forwarded email*). Upgrade approved. **(Action JBW-L).**

**25.10.10 – Scramblers, Bridle Lane and fly tipping J1 A14:** *(see forwarded emails)*. Agreed unanimously to raise issues with WNC Planning Enforcement re planning approval DA/2017/0498. **(Action JBW-L)**.

**25.09.11 - NCALC Audit Service.** The Council recorded its thanks to Alan Chantler for his work on internal audit in previous years and will write to thank him for this in view of the decision to use the NCALC Audit service from 2025-26 onwards to ensure scrutiny of governance. Approved unanimously, (proposed FT, seconded RdW). **(Action JBW-L)**.

**25.09.12 – Application for Grant, Cold Ashby History Group** *(see attached)*. Grant to Cold Ashby Memorial Hall of £500 for specific project (History Project) approved unanimously, (proposed AP, seconded AT). **(Action JBW-L)**.

**25.09.13 - Post:** email from CW, updating regarding WNC discussed and to be circulated to members.

**Date of next meeting: Ordinary General Meeting Wednesday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, in the Playing Field Pavilion at 7.30p.m.**

**The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.**

### Annex A: August 2025

Date	Account	Category	Desc	Credit/ Debit	£	VAT	Total	Notes
28/07/25	Main	Opening Balance				£0.00	£14,010.17	
28/07/25	Savings	Opening Balance				£0.00	£9,898.60	
31/07/25	Savings	Interest	Interest	Credit	£9.04	£0.00	£9.04	
08/08/25	Main	Grass Cutting (May)	Thompson Groundcare	Debit	£407.96	£81.59	£489.55	
08/08/25	Main	Clerk's salary & PAYE	Clerk's Salary Apr-June 2025 incl.	Debit	£760.40	£0.00	£760.40	
08/08/25	Main	Clerk's salary & PAYE	PAYE Apr-June 2025 incl	Debit	£190.00	£0.00	£190.00	
08/08/25	Main	Streetlights	Eon (maintenance Q1)	Debit	£192.00	£38.40	£230.40	
08/08/25	Main	Grass Cutting (June)	Thompson Groundcare	Debit	£407.96	£81.59	£489.55	
08/08/25	Main	Payroll	DCK invoice 25759	Debit	£20.00	£4.00	£24.00	
15/08/25	Main	Website & email accounts	IONOS (DD)	Debit	£3.00	£0.60	£3.60	
	Main	Total					£2,187.50	
	Savings	Total					£0.00	
	Income (Main)	Total					£0.00	
	Income (Reserve)	Total					£9.04	
Above payments authorised:								
	Clerk							
	Councillor			Main Account			£11,822.67	
	Councillor			Savings account			£9,907.64	
				Month Balance			£21,730.31	
	Date:	August 28th 2025						

Annex A: BANK RECONCILIATION FOR COLD ASHBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING September 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2025							
Name of smaller authority:	Cold Ashby Parish Council						
County area (local councils and parish meetings only):	West Northamptonshire						
Financial year ending 31 March 2026							
Prepared by (Name and Role):	Jonathan Ward-Langman Clerk/ RFO						
Date:	28/08/2025						
					£	£	
Balance per bank statements as at 30/04/2025							
Business Current Account 1045	account 1				£11,822.67		
Business Reserve Account 2605	account 2				£9,907.64		
	account 3						
Petty cash float (if applicable)						£0.00	
Less: any unpresented cheques as at 31/07/2025 (enter these as negative numbers)						£0.00	
Net balances as at 28/08/2025						£21,730.31	

**Annex A: Invoices for approval Cold Ashby Parish Council September 3rd, 2025**

Date	Account	Category	Description	Credit/Debit	£	VAT	Total
17/06/2025	Main	Clerk's salary & PAYE	Clerk's Salary July-Sept 2025 incl. & backpay	Debit	£809.20	£0.00	£809.20
17/06/2025	Main	Clerk's salary & PAYE	PAYE. July-Sept 2025 incl. & backpay	Debit	£202.40	£0.00	£202.40
28/08/2025	Main	Payroll	DCK invoice 26004	Debit	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
29/08/2025	Main	Streetlights	Npower IN13830720 (Jan-Mar 2025)	Debit	£257.37	£12.87	£270.24
29/08/2025	Main	Streetlights	Npower IN13830785 (Apr-Jun 2025)	Debit	£164.87	£8.24	£173.11
Above payments authorised:							
	Clerk	Jonathan Ward-Langman					
	Councillor						
	Councillor						
	Date:						

