

**Minutes of the Annual Keelby Parish Council Meeting
held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 5th May 2026 commencing 7:00pm.**

Those Present: Councillors T Wright (Chair), M Turner, R Bedwell, K Beedham, T Bentham, J Cowie, E Darwood, R Day, T Hughes

In Attendance: Cllr Bierley,
1 member of the public

1. To receive nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair – Ref 26/54

Cllr Wright was proposed and seconded for Chair. Unanimous vote **RESOLVED**

Cllr Turner was proposed and seconded for Vice-Chair – Unanimous vote **RESOLVED**

2. To receive apologies and reasons for absence – Ref 26/55 –Cllr R Dannatt

3. To receive dispensations and declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members' Register of interest - Ref 26/56– none

4. Public Question Time – Ref 26/57

No public were present.

Cllr Bierley wished to thank the council for all that they done it is very much appreciated.

5. County Councillor's Report - Ref 26/58 – Cllr Bean was not present. Cllr Wright has advised Cllr Bean that some verge advertising has been placed on the Barton Street which he has said he will follow up.

6. District Councillor's Report - Ref 26/59

The report from Cllr Bierley had been previously circulated and was very comprehensive. There were no comments.

7. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th April 2026 - Ref 26/60

It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes from the meeting on 7th April are a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chair.

8. Clerk's Report – Ref 26/61

The electricity contract for the supply on the village green is renewable from June. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the 3-year deal that had been offered by E-On Next.

A training agreement is required by LALC for the clerks CILCA training. It was agreed that this can be signed by the chair.

The paddock next to the cemetery may be coming up for auction soon. Various options to purchase or obtain a portion of this land were discussed. Cllr Wright will speak to the agent dealing with the sale and Cllr Bierley agreed to make further enquires with West Lindsey District Council.

9. Financial Matters – Ref 26/62

The payment schedule was checked by Cllr T Bentham. It was proposed, seconded and **RESOLVED** to approve the payments. Cllr T Wright signed as Chair

Invoice Date	Supplier	Description	Cost
21/03/26	Thomas Bell	Compost for planters	£7.95
21/03/26	British Garden Centres	Plants for planters	£39.60
25/03/26	B&M	Black bags	£5.00
10/04/26	Amazon	Mould & Algae killer spray	£20.95
02/04/26	E-On Next	Electricity for March	£9.76
08/04/26	TPM Plumbing	Call out to boiler	£94.50
09/04/26	West Lindsey District Council	Defibrillator Maintenance VH	£114.00
09/04/26	West Lindsey District Council	Defibrillator Maintenance KSA	£114.00

09/04/26	A&L Machinery	Cobra zero turn mower	£4689.00
22/04/26	Stuart Davis	Internal Audit 2026	£79.00
30/04/26	Staff Costs	April	£1279.90
01/05/26	Fuel Genie	Fuel for April	£88.70
30/05/26	Information Commissioners Office	Annual Fee	£47.00

- It was **RESOLVED** to approve regular payments for the current financial year. Staff Costs, E-On Next, Fuel Genie and Groundboss
- **RESOLVED** to approve the income and expenditure statements, asset register and bank reconciliations for 25-26. Concerns were raised about clarity and content of the asset register, hence a review will be taken for 2026.
- The internal audit report was noted – there were no comments
- **RESOLVED** to approve the Annual Governance Statement which was signed by the chair
- **RESOLVED** to approve the Annual Accounting Statement which was signed by the chair
- **RESOLVED** the dates for the period for the exercise of public rights would be 3rd June 2026 to 14th July 2026
- **Village Hall grant** – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the grant. This sum had already been budgeted for 26-27
- **Keelby Gala grant** – it was **RESOLVED** to approve the requested grant of £181 which would cover the cost of the toilet and TENS licence.
- **Alice South update** – an update on the charity has been received. The update was noted by councillors

10. To approve Standing Orders and Financial Regulations – REF 26/63

No amendments have been made to these as they were updated in 2025. **RESOLVED** to approve Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for 26-27

11. To allocate Councillor duties – REF 26/64

The following Councillor roles were agreed. Village Hall – Cllr Bentham, Library and Youth Club – Cllr Beedham, KSA Cllrs Turner and Dannatt (to be confirmed), HR committee – Cllrs Turner (chair) Darwood, Bedwell, Allotments – Cllr Cowie, Community Speed Watch – Cllr Hughes, Youth Liaison – Cllr Darwood.

12. Parish Matters – REF 26/65

- **Village Green seating project** – Cllr Turner is still speaking with contractors and is waiting for prices
- **Keelby gala** – it was suggested that a meeting should be held to check everything is progressing. The toilets, band and TENS license have all been finalised.
- **Re-location of bus stop** – ongoing
- **Bus service to Immingham** – Letters have been sent to Stagecoach and the Mayor of Lincolnshire.
- **Street light times** – A Facebook poll had been done to gauge resident's opinions. There were 143 votes. 10 votes to come on earlier, 34 votes to stay on longer at night, 15 votes to come on earlier and stay on later, 84 votes to leave as they are. It was therefore **RESOLVED** to leave the streetlight on and off times as they are.
- **Footpath on village green** – still waiting for prices. If the path goes ahead, we will need to contact the school to confirm this path is acceptable to them.
- **Development site issues** – Replies have been received from the developers regarding the concerns that were raised. They have advised that the ramp design and road have been approved by LCC. Clerk has now referred this to planning to check that it is compliant. They have replied regarding the rats and have said that there is no evidence of rats on their site. Unfortunately, this will mean that the residents effected will need to sort this problem themselves. The construction traffic in the village will now be sorted as the new road off Stallingborough Road is now operational.
- **Bins for bus stops Yarborough Road and top of Riby Road** – Cllr Bierley is still working on this request. Cllr Wright also asked if Cllr Bierley could follow up on the 2 broken dog waste bins at the KSA that have been reported but not repaired.

- **Cleaning of bus shelters and signs in the village** – A resident had asked if the bus stops and signs could be cleaned. Cllrs Cowie and Day agreed to do this.
- **Maintenance of public rights of way Cissplatt Lane and off Barton Street** – The footpath across the fields behind Cissplatt Lane is overgrown. The footpath to the Barton Street still has brambles and overgrown vegetation at the Maple Avenue end. This land is unregistered. Cllrs Cowie and Day agreed to look at these. There is also an area on the play area which needs repairs to the matting. Cllr Wright requested that £160.50 is spent to purchase the kits to do this. **RESOLVED** to go ahead with this. Clerk to purchase the kits.

13. To receive any reports and updates from external organisations - Ref 26/66

Sports Association – Cllr Turner reported that a new water pressurisation unit has been fitted but waiting for an electrician to connect then the plumber will return and commission. Cricket - Cllr Bedwell confirmed that the season has now started. Tennis and bowls clubs have also started. The tennis club have raised money to replace the pump on the tennis courts that has burnt out. Football - Keelby United Football had provided a report for the parish council. The club hosted the annual junior (boys) tournament at the weekend which saw almost 80 teams participating. With over 700 visiting cars accommodated on-site over the weekend, the event went without a hitch, and all visiting teams/clubs were very complimentary about the facilities, the ground and the great work of their volunteers. They are looking forward to hosting the junior girl's tournament on Sunday 17th May. Whilst the events are predominantly about the children having fun, they also offer a great opportunity for fundraising for Keelby United FC so that they can keep on doing the good work they have been doing in putting Keelby on the map. As the current season draws to a close, they will be holding their Club presentation event on Saturday 9th May and are looking forward to sharing the successes of the teams in the near future. In addition, Cyden Homes have agreed to gift the KSA 15 tonnes of topsoil to support post-season pitch maintenance. This is an excellent gesture to the community on their behalf. Saving the association over £400.

- **Village Hall** – the AGM is to be held on the 12th May and appreciate that they will now receive some funds from the gala.
- **Library & Youth Club** – The youth leader is leaving at the end of the month which is disappointing. Cllr Beedham had met with the surveyor from Lincolnshire County Council and the Trustees have met regarding the lease. The issues have now been sorted which should mean that the lease will be received soon.
- **Allotments** - Cllr Cowie reported that the work on the fencing has now started. Cllr Turner reminded the councillors of the twinning event on Saturday 16th May at 10am for the road naming ceremony.

14. Correspondence - Ref 26/67 – A request has been received regarding an additional inscription on a memorial stone which the clerk has dealt with.

A complaint has been received regarding the area in the cemetery where there are flat plaques for cremated remains are situated. This area is very difficult to maintain as the grass grow between the plaques. Clerk has asked the handyman to do this which he has now done.

A complaint has been received regarding the gate at 2A Riby Road being left open. The gate sticks out but does not obstruct the path although the catch does protrude. Cllr Bentham has spoken to the residents who have said the gate is not left open.

15. Planning matters – Ref 26/68 – WL/2026/00400 there were no comments.

16. Items for consideration at the next meeting – Ref 26/69 – Parking on verges and cemetery remodelling

17. Time and date of next meeting – REF 26/70 – Tuesday 2nd June 2026

The meeting closed at 20:14