

LOCKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Confirmed Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) held on Tuesday, 19th
May 2026

APM01/26 - Apologies: – All Parish Councillors were present.

Lockington Parish Councillors present were John Rowson, Ian Jowett, Rob Ellett, Stewart Craig, Andrew Howe, Helen Miller, Alistair Grant, and Stephanie Taylor.

The Ward Councillor, Jeremy Wilcock, was unable to attend.

Visitors: Four parishioners were present at the meeting.

The Clerk, Mr Gareth Rees, sent his apologies.

APM02/26 Review the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on
Monday, 20th May 2025

This section of the agenda is to review last year's minutes and serve as a reminder; they were previously approved at the June meeting, 2025.

The minutes of the above meeting had been circulated to all Parish Councillors for review and subsequent approval. The Parish Councillors present at the meeting agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting and duly approved them without amendment at the June 2025 meeting. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true and proper record on behalf of the Parish Council.

APM03/26 Lockington Parish Council Chairperson's Report 2023/24.

The Chairman, Parish Councillor John Rowson, presented the Annual Chairperson's report.

Lockington Parish Council Highlights – Chairman's Report 2025/26

General

2025/26 has been a very successful year for Lockington Parish Council, some key achievements are (See report for full details)

- Continued development of the Village Green.
 - Additional Planting
 - New benches
 - Planning approvals: Hard Standing/new fence & hedge along Thorpe.
 - Hedge Maintenance.
- Thorpe Drainage Improvement agreed with ERYC
- One new Parish Councillor.
- A vacancy currently exists for a Parish Councillor
- 1810 Land Sale complete.
- New website developed.
- New Bus Shelter A164 (ERYC Grant).
- Dogger Bank 'D' successful grant application.
- New Notice Board at Aike.
- Development plan for Green Lane Aike, including a new bench.

Major Infrastructure Projects

Dogger Bank Wind Farm and the Clean Air Solar Farm are at different stages of planning, design, and implementation. They continue to be developed in the background (all available details are on the website), and the Parish Council closely monitors how these projects will affect Aike and Lockington.

Planning

All planning applications have been handled sympathetically to maintain and/or enhance the village and preserve its 'Conservation Village' status. This can only be achieved within the Parish Council's scope of influence.

Finances

The Parish Council's finances have been well managed and are in good shape. Please see the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for full details, available on the website and on notice boards.

Thanks

To all residents who contributed to the village by attending parish council meetings and giving their time, energy and input.

The Chairman thanked all Parish Councillors for their efforts and commitment, as all the work and time they give are voluntary. The same applies to our hardworking and efficient Parish Clerk, and, of course, to residents who submitted views and attended our meetings, contributing to discussions on various issues.

The above report was well-received and noted.

APM4/26. Parishioner Question Time.

There were no questions from the Parishioners.

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