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## PARISH COUNCIL

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**Agenda**  
**Wednesday 15 April 2026 – 11am**  
**Greatwood Hall**

Clerk to the Council – Dawn Plant 07919 911938  
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Present

Chairman Akerman, Cllr Hulme, Cllr S Buckley, Cllr Wilkinson, Cllr Flunder County Cllr Bentley

Cllr G Buckley arrived 12.11

Agenda Item	Description	Requested by / Standard item
1	<b>Apologies – To receive apologies for absence Cllrs Peck, G Buckley, Cllr Stubbs, Cllr Pearce</b>	Standard
2	<b>Declarations of Interest and Dispensations (from agenda) –</b> Councillors must declare any personal or prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature, and leave the room for the relevant items.  Cllr Flunder - Events	Standard
3	<b>Minutes:</b> to consider for accuracy and to approve the minutes of the last meeting: March 2026 Proposed Cllr Wilkinson Seconded Cllr Hulme	Standard
4	<b>Public Participation</b>	Standard
5	<b>County and District Councillor reports</b> to include reports from representatives attending outside meetings. to update Council with any relevant information.  County Cllr Bentley wishes for the bollards at the corner of Gorsty Hill to be discussed. He asked the Cllrs if the Parish were happy for the bollards to be installed under his DHP monies. There are issues with a car blocking the visibility at the junction.  Clerk would email County Cllr Bentley asking for a please park considerably for the bottom on Gorsty Hill Road. County Cllr would get the landowners permission.	Standard

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	<p>He explains that he can use some of his 7.5K DHP towards this.          Previous 2025/26 6.8K St Thomas Road and 1.1K Boundary sign.</p> <p>The issue over the fence panels on the grass area on the road towards to Fole.</p> <p>Cllr Flunder asked County Cllr Bentley about the concerns regarding the work to connect the BESS site at Tean leys. Cllr Wilkinson stated that County Council and Highways England need to be responding because of the potential issues when the A50 is closed.</p> <p>Cllr Wilkinson urged people to attend the planning committee.          Chairman Akerman said it is coming through a flood plain on Riverside Road. County Cllr Bentley would attend planning committee and represent the Parish Councils views on the matter and the concerns of the residents.</p>	
6	<p><b>Planning Applications and related planning issues from the planning coordinators – See appendix</b></p> <p>Little Gorsty Hill Farm application has now been denied at planning appeal. The Parish Council would now need to email SMDC about the enforcement actions required.</p> <p>Cllr S Buckley would do another letter on the BESS application.</p> <p>Cllr G Buckley submitted the planning reponses for the Parish Council.</p>	Standard
7	<p><b>Accounts/ Finance:</b> to consider/approve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) April accounts for approval - circulated</li> <li>b) Bank Reconciliation (previously circulated by email and available on the web site.</li> <li>c) Year end bank accounts</li> </ul>	Standard

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8	<p><b>GWH Structural Works and lease</b></p> <p>Working group took place, and as a consequence Support Staffordshire were looking at the lease and would advice on the best way to proceed.</p> <p>Chairman Akerman was sending the insurance over the Clerk</p> <p>£37 held in the two NatWest accounts, would be swapped over the CCLA, 20K earmarked for GWH.</p>																																																									
9	<p><b>Village Halls</b></p> <p>Hollington – Third party contribution has now been paid by CPC and the quotes were in and work on the floor would start W/C04.05.2026</p> <p>GWH – The rooms were having a move round. Charity Shop has made 2.6K since opening. An application to the tarmac fund and the partnership board for grants were happening.</p> <p>Checkley – New event was successful.</p>		Standard																																																							
10	<p><b>Youth Club</b></p> <p>Chairman Akerman reported that the AGM had taken place. 55 M 58F members. £350 profit this year. Outside Arts commission was successful. Review of the fire drill and risk assessment were being undertaken. Chelsea Heard from the SPCA was planning a visit.</p>		Standard																																																							

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11	<p><b>Events committee updates</b> Agenda and minutes have been circulated. Next meeting Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April for picnic in the park.</p> <p>Cllr G Buckley arrived 12:11</p>	Standard
12	<p><b>Update on the Litter picking applications received and set a date to review them</b> Six applicants reviewed and they would be circulated after the closing date 24.04.2026 A teams meeting would be arranged.</p>	Clerk
13	<p><b>Email hosting</b> <b>Ongoing no progress.</b></p>	Clerk / Chairman
14	<p><b>Issues arising from any parish assets</b> <b>None to report.</b> <b>Notices board for Matt to install.</b></p>	Clerk
15	<p><b>Electrical Tender</b> Email to ACE and ask for confirmation on the name change.</p>	
16	<p><b>Future planning</b> <b>Nothing to report</b></p>	
17	<p><b>Neighbourhood Governance – To discuss and decide to submit a letter to the MP regarding the future of Town &amp; Parish Councils</b> <b>Proposal Chairman Akerman to sign</b> <b>Seconded Cllr G Buckley</b></p>	
18	<p><b>Items for the next agenda</b> <b>High Street signage and appropriateness.</b></p>	