

CLUNGUNFORD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Draft Minutes

Wednesday 13th May 2026 at 7.00pm in Clungunford Village Hall

Present: Cllr Jonathan Roberts (Chairman and Acting Clerk), Cllr Mary Bason, Cllr Anne Gledhill, Cllr Patricia McHaffie, Cllr Michael Jones, Cllr Rob Rees, Cllr Christine Tinker, Cllr Mike Tucker

There were no members of the public

1. Chairman's Report

Cllr Roberts thanked the committee for their attendance and work during the year. He reported that the village hall was going from strength to strength and the finances were sound and so was St Cuthbert's church.

The main event of the year was the installation of high speed broadband in Clungunford village and Abcott. It is awaited in Beckjay and Shelderton.

The main planning proposal was for more chalet-style houses at Ashley Pools Country Park with the demolition of the Oakworks industrial building. This had been approved by Shropshire Council in spite of some reservations from the Parish Council.

There had been no volunteers for the post of Parish Clerk, so Cllr Roberts will continue to fulfil these duties as well as those of Chairman.

The electronic speed sign had still not been erected in the village because Shropshire Council had not erected the necessary post. It is used by Clunbury, who share the use of it with Clungunford. There is a possibility of the Parish Council purchasing a solar powered sign instead.

2. Minutes of the 2025 Annual Parish Meeting

These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Annual Financial Statement for the year ending 31st March 2026

The Parish Council expenditure for the year was £1,106.80 and the income was £3,560.92. The bank reconciliations showed a total of £4,395.81 in the current account and £10,166.06 in the savings account. £500 of this is ring-fenced for the parish path investment. The asset register had not changed except that the notice board has been repaired. Interest on the savings account is now at about £10 per month.

The church clock had not been serviced this year, so the Parish Council contribution to this was not required.

4. County Councillor's Report

There was none.

5. Charities Report

There had been four grants from the Education fund and two from the General Clungunford Fund. Cllr Tinker (Chair of Clungunford Charities) thanked the trustees and Cllr Anne Gledhill, who was the clerk for the fund. The fund has an annual income from ground rent of around £3000 per year. It is registered with the Charities Commission.

6. Resolutions from the General Public

There were none.

10. Any other business

There was none.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm.