

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF TARVIN PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE EDNA ROSE ROOM, TARVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2026.

PRESENT:

Councillor M Butler (Chairman of the meeting)
Councillor P Buckley
Councillor C Edwards
Councillor E Lush (Cheshire West and Chester Council Councillor)
Councillor N Poole
Councillor P Ryan
Councillor P Twigg
Councillor M Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

2 Members of the Public
Parish Council Clerk – Mr M Hassall

APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor S Dutton (holiday)
Councillor R Ford (holiday)
Councillor A Sheppard (unwell)

25/178 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST, DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND DISPENSATIONS

25/178.1 New Written Requests for Dispensations

There were no new requests.

25/178.2 Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary or other Interest in any item of business on the agenda and, if necessary, leave the meeting prior to discussion of that item. Councillor Butler declared an interest in minutes 25/183.2 and 25/184.2 and indicated that he would leave the meeting for item 25/184.2 with Councillor Lush taking the chair. Councillor Twigg declared an interest in planning application 26/00262/PIP as she was the agent for the application, acting on behalf of Planning Angel Ltd. No other declarations were made.

25/179 OPEN FORUM

One of the editors of Tarvinonline had spoken about minute 25/187. In addition to the report attached under appendix 1 she indicated that

- the current editors had considered forming a charity but concluded that they did not have the capacity to do
- Tarvinonline was likely to close in six months if a solution to the problem was not found.

25/180 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH JANUARY 2026.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 26th January 2026 be signed by the Chair of the meeting as a correct record.

25/181 REPORTS ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26TH JANUARY 2026 NOT COVERED BY THE AGENDA

25/181.1 Church Street, Tarvin (Previous Minute.25/161)

Church Street had been closed for carriageway resurfacing works from the junction with High Street to the junction with Hockenhull Avenue and the Clerk had written to Tarvinonline who had corrected their article. The meeting considered that the work had been done well.

25/181.2. Meeting with Police (Previous Minute 25/173.1)

The meeting had not taken place on 4th February 2026. The Clerk had since learnt, through a conversation with PCSO Hannath, that the police constable had been, and remained off work following an accident.

25/182 PLANNING MATTERS

25/182.1 Planning Applications

RESOLVED: that the following comments be made on the planning applications submitted:

26/00122/FUL - Single storey extension to form dining space to the north elevation with new fenestration. Installation of a new bay window to the south elevation to replace the existing, along with additional alterations to window and door openings - Cross Lanes Cottage, Broomheath Lane, Bruen Stapleford

Comment: No Objections

26/00262/PIP - Erection of one dwelling, Land at Tarporley Road, Tarvin

Comment: No Objections

25/03943/PIP - Erection of one dwelling, detached two storey garage with space for two vehicles at ground level and office space on first floor, and creation of driveway from main gate to garage - Three Oaks, Kelsall Road, Tarvin

The meeting noted that the land was on the Parish boundary so Planning were inviting both Tarvin and Kelsall Parish Councils to comment.

Comment: We have concerns regarding the location - On main road outside the village, isolated, and question accessibility to services.

25/01281/FUL - New detached dwelling with new drive access and associated landscaping - Land at The Gables, Cross Lanes, Tarvin

Comment: No Objections

25/182.2 Notice

25/03549/FUL - Single storey rear and west side extension and installation of first floor window to east elevation – 7 Broom Crescent, Tarvin – **PERMISSION**

25/182.3 SETTLEMENT SPATIAL PLAN

25/182.3.1 Cheshire West and Chester Council had still not provided any figures for new housing, so this item was not considered.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk and Councillor Lush both write to the Head of Planning requesting a response.

25/164.3.2 As new figures were not available a response to the contractor was not considered.

25/183 KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

25/183.1 Surfaces

The work had been completed on 11th February 2026.

25/183.2 Tennis Club

Councillor Butler reported that the issue had still not been resolved. He was awaiting a response from Muckle or Wave Utilities who appeared to be unsure who was taking action. Everything requested by Wave Utilities had been provided.

25/184. GRANT APPLICATIONS

25/184.1 Year to March 2027

The meeting noted the guidelines for the coming year.

25/184.2 Grants from CIL

Tarvin Tennis Club had asked whether they might apply for a grant from CIL money towards refurbishment of the bottom two courts.

RESOLVED: to inform the club that a grant application from the CIL money would not be accepted but say that they would be welcome to apply from the pot of money put aside for grants to local organisations.

25/185 FUTURE SPECIAL PROJECTS

Items considered included replacing stiles on public footpaths with kissing gates, repainting the five Lower High Street lighting columns owned by the Parish Council, commissioning a survey of surface water drains, and producing a comprehensive map of public footpaths in the parish for display on a noticeboard.

RESOLVED (25/185.1): that Councillor Buckley invite a Tattenhall Councillor to attend the next meeting to inform Council of his Council's work on installing kissing gates.

RESOLVED (25/185.2): that Councillor Buckley get a quote for a Tarvin parish footpath map that could be displayed on a noticeboard

25/186 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

There was no update.

25/187 TARVINONLINE

The meeting considered a request from Tarvinonline for the Parish Council to become the legal owner of Tarvinonline. A copy of the report is attached under appendix 1.

RESOLVED (25/187.1): that a working party be established to examine all options open to Tarvinonline

RESOLVED (25/187.2) that Councillor Poole and the Clerk be on the working party

RESOLVED (25/187.3) that Councillors Dutton and Sheppard be invited to join the working party

Councillor Butler offered to join the working party if either Councillor Dutton or Sheppard did not accept the invitation.

25/188 SPRING CLEAN UP

RESOLVED: that the litter pick be arranged for Saturday 28th March 2026

25/189 NEWSLETTER

RESOLVED: that the main items for publication would be the Precept, Public Footpaths, Community Grant Aid, Playing Field Surfaces, Special Project, Garden Waste Collection,

gov.uk addresses, dog fouling, overgrown hedges. Councillors were asked to forward articles to the Clerk by the end of February.

25/190 CLERK’S REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

25/190.1 The following e-mail correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors who were provided with an opportunity to comment on them.

- a. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – E Bulletins
- b. Cheshire Community Action Newsletters – January and February 2026.
- c. Cheshire & Warrington: Rural Needs Analysis - invitation to online consultation – 26th February – 5.00 to 6.30pm – Zoom. Councillor Lush would be attending.
- d. Cheshire Police – invitation to watch the February Scrutiny Meeting – 26th February – 10.00am
- e. Information Commissioners Office – February 2026 Newsletter
- f. Roadworks Information via the Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC) Website
- g. Borough Councillor Lush – Details of Members Budget Spend Year to March 2026
- h. CWaC Planning Officer regarding application 25/01850/OUT.
- i. CWaC Scrutiny Bulletin - Winter 2025/2026 edition
- j. The Great British Spring Clean – 13th to 29th March 2026
- k. 25/01952/FUL Handrail at land at St Andrew's Church Tarvin – request for a meeting.

RESOLVED: that Councillor Edwards and the Clerk meet with the resident.

- l. Letter from Assistant Chief Constable Alison Ross re PCSOs.
- m. Training - Introduction to Town Planning for Parish and Town Councils March 2026
- n. Aphra Brandreth MP – February 2026 update

25/190.2 Recorded Crime

In December 2025 there were 8 recorded crimes in Tarvin Parish.

- 3 Violence and Sexual Offences (1 at or near Broom Crescent, 2 at or near Arden Close)
- 3 Criminal Damage and Arson (1 at or near Broomheath Lane, 2 at or near Hockenhull Lane)
- 2 Anti-Social Behaviour (2 at or near Broomheath Lane)

25/190.3 Telephone

The meeting noted that Council’s landline had not been working and was being replaced. The cost would be approximately £100.00.

25/191 FINANCIAL MATTERS

25/191.1 January 2026 Payments and Payments between meetings

Councillor Ford had confirmed in writing that payments had been made as approved by Council.

25/191.2 RESOLVED: that the following payments made since the last meeting be confirmed:

Payee and Detail	Amount to be paid inc. VAT	Amount net of VAT (charge against budget)	Budget Provision available before payment
BounceBack Safety Surfaces Ltd Molibus, Basket Swing and Spinner Surfaces	6,000.00	5,000.00	26,451.72
Water Plus Ltd	11.96	11.96	0.00

Water King George V Playing Field – Account Month to 10th January 2026 (Payment made as Water Plus failed to collect the direct debit)			
BounceBack Safety Surfaces Ltd Molibus, Basket Swing and Spinner Surfaces	6,831.60	5,693.00	21,451.72
Scottish Power Electricity January 2026	174.25	165.95	561.79
Mr S Burgess Carrying out Play Equipment Repairs using supplied parts	540.00	450.00	0.00

25/191.3 RESOLVED: that the following payments be authorised, and that payments be made by internet banking:

Payee and Detail	Amount to be paid inc. VAT	Amount net of VAT (charge against budget)	Budget Provision available before payment
Payroll February 2026	1,653.66	1,653.66	5,718.38

25/191.4 Direct Debits/Other Payments

The meeting noted the following direct debit payments:

British Telecom Plc – 26th January 2026 – Telephone and Internet January 2026 – two venues – £143.26.

Sage UK Ltd - 5th February 2026 - Payroll Software February 2026 - £13.20

Lloyds Bank – 17th February 2026 – Account Charge £4.25.

25/192 LIST OF OUTSTANDING ITEMS

RESOLVED: that a report from Cheshire West and Chester Council on item 5.1 be considered at the next meeting.

25/193 ITEMS FOR PUBLICATION

Church Street work, open forum, new surfaces on the playing field, grants to local organisations, special projects, clean up.

25/194 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 23rd March 2026 – 7.15pm - Edna Rose Room, Tarvin Community Centre