

ISLIP PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 14th July 2026, at 7.30 pm held at Islip Village Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Parish Councillors:** Dennis Price, Andrew Smith, Nicola Richardson, Anneka Streule and Sophie Miller.

OFFICERS PRESENT: **Clerk to the Council:** Emma Kearney

OTHER COUNCILLORS: None

OTHERS PRESENT: **Members of the Public:** None

APOLOGIES: The following apologies were received.
District Councillor: Tim Faltermeyer.
County Councillor: Laura Gordon.

046/26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION**
None

047/26 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
None

048/26 **MEETING MINUTES**
It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote to accept as a true record the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 9th June 2026, amended at minute 038/26 to add a reference to resolution 024/26 confirming the Council's grant limit, and the extraordinary meeting held on 23rd June 2026.

049/26 **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**
The councillors present gave their reports.

050/26 **LANDSCAPING**

1. Verge Cutting Request (Middle Way)

It was reported that the grass verge on Middle Way had been missed by the contractor and needed attention.

It was **RESOLVED** by unanimous vote for the Parish Council to instruct the contractor to carry out a one-off cut of the whole of Middle Way to rectify the matter.

2. Contract

It was agreed that a review of the mowing schedule would be brought to a future agenda.

051/26 **PARISH COUNCIL PROPERTIES — CAR PARK LETTER**

A letter was sent to the party with temporary permission to use part of the Swan car park for storage, requesting clearance ahead of the Islip Bridge works by 1st September 2026 (per minute 037/26, 9th June 2026).

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to note and ratify the letter as sent.

052/26 **PLAYING FIELD USE REQUESTS — COLOUR RUN**

Friends of Dr South's School requested use of the playing field for their annual barbecue and colour run on Sunday 20th September 2026. The Council's insurers confirmed no specific action was required beyond the Council's own risk assessment.

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to approve the request.

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VILLAGE HALL / PLAYING FIELD USE REQUESTS — Private Wedding & Fireworks

A request was received to use the open space adjoining Islip Village Hall for a private wedding ceremony, with an evening reception and fireworks.

The request was discussed; there was no support for permitting fireworks or private/commercial hire of the playing field for events of this kind, given how heavily the field is used by the community. Costs were therefore not considered further. No motion was moved.

The Clerk to inform the requester accordingly.

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PLAYGROUND

The annual RoSPA playground inspection was noted as scheduled for July, in line with the budget agreed at minute 30/25.

It was **NOTED**, and the invoice to be paid within budget.

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CASHBOOK

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to pay the following July and August cashbook payments.

Date	Payee	Description	Total
12/06/2026	Clerk	July WFHA	£24.00
12/07/2026	Clerk	July Wages	£893.60
14/08/2026	Clerk	August Wages	£893.60
12/06/2026	Clerk	August WFHA	£24.00
31/05/2026	Green Scythe Ltd	Gang mowing - May 2026	£181.20
09/06/2026	Norfolk County Council	NPLAW Fee time charges - May 2026	£20.76
03/07/2026	Norfolk County Council	NPLAW Fee time charges - June 2026	£83.04
08/06/2026	Islip Village Hall	Hall hire - Film Night	£38.40
03/07/2026	Islip Village Hall	Hall hire - Toddlers Group	£76.80
30/04/2026	Green Scythe Ltd	Grass/verge cutting, Millennium Wood, gang mow - Apr 2026	£1,569.00
15/06/2026	Cherwell District Council	Uncontested election fee, May 2026	£200.00
15/06/2026	WTG Consultants Ltd	Internal Audit 2025/26 - Final Report	£225.00
15/06/2026	Reids Playground Maintenance Ltd	Basket swing extra works, ref RPM/10254	£3,606.00
15/06/2026	Islip Village Hall	Hall hire - Toddlers Group	£57.60

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15/06/2026	Cherwell District Council	Uncontested election fee, May 2026	£200.00

The meeting closed at 20.58

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Councillor Price