

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Sturton le Steeple Parish Council
held on July 8th 2026, at 7.00 pm at The Village Hall in Sturton le Steeple**

Present Councillors E Byatt (in the Chair), P. Appleyard, R. Warburton, A Jewitt, L Clapperton, M Knight

Also Present: Clerk & RFO: Julie Tisi, PC Sam Wood, Cllr Warren Limber, Cllr Matt Turner

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The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm

07.26.01 Welcome

Cllr Byatt opened the meeting.

07.26.02 Apologies for Absence

None.

07.26.03 Declarations of Interest

To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests pursuant to section 31 Localism Act 2011 from councillors on matters considered at this meeting.

Cllr Jewitt declared an interest in the Reindeer Inn

07.26.04 Police Report PC Sam Wood

PC Sam Wood attended the meeting, she has recently taken over as Beat Manager from PC Pickersgill and is currently working way round Villages making introductions, she is keen to increase Police presence in rural areas and will be looking to set up beat surgeries for residents, PC Wood is keen to establish strong links with rural communities. Following the meeting in June Clerk has been in contact with the Rt Hon Robert Jenricks Office to discuss a drop in session with Cllrs, Notts Police and Rt Hon Jenrick to discuss rural crime. The PC have agreed a date of the 14th August, the event will be held in the VH. Further information to follow

PC Wood advised that speed gun operations will be starting tomorrow and she will aim to visit Sturton this week. PC raised the issue with speeding at car nights; PC Wood has agreed to attend a car meet so that there is Police presence at the event.

Cllr Appleyard made PC Wood aware of recent cable thefts at the quarry

07.26.05 Planning Matters

New Applications

Erection of Garden Pod. Field View Freemans Lane Sturton Le Steeple Nottinghamshire DN22 9HN

Ref. No: 26/00612/HSE · Received: Thu 21 May 2026 · Validated: Fri 22 May 2026

Applications awaiting decision

Removal of Hedgerow to Facilitate Rewiring of Overhead Route Land And Buildings At West Burton Power Station North Road West Burton Nottinghamshire

Ref. No: 26/00631/HDG · Received: Tue 26 May 2026 · Validated: Tue 26 May 2026

Erection of a New Modular Data Centre Building Land Off South Road West Burton Nottinghamshire

Ref. No: 26/00498/FUL · Received: Tue 28 Apr 2026 · Validated: Fri 29 May 2026

Install Replacement Windows and Doors The Old Chapel 3 North Street Sturton Le Steeple Nottinghamshire DN22 9HP

Ref. No: 25/01354/HSE | Received: Fri 05 Dec 2025 | Validated: Mon 08 Dec 2025

Retain a Post and Timber Rail Fence, Installation of Gas Tank, Reuse and Hang a Five Bar Gate. Manor Farmhouse Fenton Lane Sturton Le Steeple Nottinghamshire DN22 9HF

Ref No 26/00118/LBA Received 17 Feb 2026 · Validated: Fri 20 Feb 2026

Applications Complete

None

Other Planning matters

a) UKAEA STEPS project update

General news updates are via <https://stepfusion.com/news-and-events/>

b) West Burton Decommissioning

No update

c) Upgrade to the National Grid

Due to go to NSIP in September 2026, June newsletter has now been shared with residents, a QR code is contained within the newsletter which demonstrates how they would carry out the construction/installation

07.26.06 RES Steeple Renewables

No update

07.26.07 Neighbourhood Plan

KNOW YOUR PLACE event carried out, for those unable to attend you can still complete the survey online, this can be found via <https://www.bassetlaw.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy/neighbourhood-plans/know-your-place/your-views/>

07.26.08 Parish Council Vacancies

There are currently 3 vacancies on the PC, if you would be interested in joining the Council please contact the clerk via clerk@sturtonlesteeplesparishcouncil.gov.uk or attend one of our meetings to observe and see what we do

07.26.09 Reports and Updates from County and District Councillors

Cllr Warren Limber

LGR local government reorganisation, now seems inevitable , much of the detail is still being developed, further information to follow as available.

Cllr Limber along with Rt Hon Robert Jenrick and Cllr Simon Richardson have attended local villages to meet the community and specifically to talk to pub landlords to discuss pressure that they are facing with increases in taxation

Highways Manager Aidan O Connor has agreed to produce a quarterly report which will list the upcoming repairs for roads in the area

Cllr Byatt reminded Cllr Limber that we have previously asked Notts CC to discuss strategic plan with highways in mind. Each project coming into Sturton will have a traffic plan but all plans are running separately, it is important to ensure that whatever measures are in place are fit for the future. There is a lot of concern from residents regarding the volume of traffic and speeding. Cllr Limber to follow up

Cllr Appleyard raised that the recent road closure for emergency works had had significant impact on residents', what can be done to ensure that things run more efficiently in the future, the road was closed from Friday, through to Monday with only small amounts of work being carried out.

Ongoing work to recruit foster parents in Notts in conjunction with neighbouring counties

Cllr Appleyard reported that as per the request made by Cllr Limber, the road sweeper lorry did attend, but have not completed all works, can another visit be scheduled.

Cllr Matt Turner

A cross party working group has been set up by County and District Councillors to look at establishing a dedicated Rural Crime Team within Notts Police, both Leicestershire and Lincolnshire have report excellent results, further information to follow.

Waste management, he has received lots of complaints about waste collections, it is understood that BDC have now caught up and are back on schedule, however, Cllr Tuner is now pushing for refunds to residents for missed brown bins collections.

Requested Cllr Turner to ask if we can have a brown bin for the lengthsman's use we would also ask for an additional bin on Springs Lane. Cllr Turner to follow up, he will also raise why the bin has still not be re-sited at the playing field.

Planning issues, has spoken with David Armiger and Abbie Marwood to request a meeting but was refused, there are concerns that plans are being passed that do not meet requirements of the Neighbourhood Plans

Divisional fund is still available. Cllr Jewitt mentioned that she has raised some money via the Reindeer Inn for a shelter in the playing field, she has also secured further funding from Retford

Lions but is still £2300 short. Clerk will put a request through for £333 to go towards the installation of a shelter in the Playing field.

07.26.10 Traffic Speeding/Calming Measure

Cllr Jewitt – Speed Watch, no update, carry forwards to September

07.26.11 Highways and Public Safety

School Parking, had a conversation with Will Wilson who informed that we maybe eligible for free planning advice. Cllr Byatt has emailed the Planning department for advice, carry forward to September

Village entrance sign from Wheatley need to be moved, to be added to September agenda.

07.26.12 Road Closures

Station Road Bridge – September 4th 2026

Saundby Road July 8-12th Surface Dressing

Saundby Road September 11th – October 22nd

Station Road – September 28th – 30th Anglian Water - New Connections

Cross Street – September 7th- 9th New Connections

Full details can be found via the website <https://www.viaem.co.uk/via-in-nottinghamshire/roadworks-in-nottinghamshire/>

07.26.13 The Lengthsman

VH on the right brambles cut back, sign cleared

Pavement outside of the park needs to be weed cleared and swept

Reeds in pond cut back and long grass cleared

Clerk to investigate waste licences, will liase with the Lengthsman

The PC also agreed a limit of 8 hours per month for Refelction Garden/planting maintenance during July and August

07.26.14 Minutes from Meeting held on 13th May 2026 and 10th June 2026

Approved and duly signed by Chair

07.26.15 Matters Arising

b) WhatApp Policy

Cllrs agreed to adopt the policy proposed Cllr Byatt seconded Cllr Knight with all members in agreement

07.26.16 Bench Unveiling Ceremony

Well done to Cllr Clapperton and Cllr Appleyard and thanks to all that attended, the event was successful and well attended.

07.26.17 Correspondence

Letter from Rt Hon Robert Jenrick dates 8th May following visit to Reindeer to discuss car theft. He will be holding a meeting for residents on the 14th August in the Village Hall

Letter of thanks from resident re planters

07.26.18 Village Hall –

a) Land Transfer

Documents have now been received from Jones and Co and issued to Cllrs for review, the land transfer documents were signed during the meeting by Cllrs and witnessed by the Clerk

b) September Fundraising Event

VH will be holding an event in the Village Hall on the 26th September with live music and bar, after discussion it was proposed by Cllr Byatt, seconded Cllr Jewitt with all in agreement to support the event.

07.26.19 Finance

a) Monthly bank reconciliation

It was resolved that the bank reconciliation was correct and signed accordingly current balance of the account as of 30th June 2026 was £51522.13

b) To resolve to pay all outstanding invoices as presented on payment sheet

Sturton le Steeple Parish Council Payments and Receipts May 2026							
<u>Date</u>	<u>Voucher No</u>	<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Gross Amount</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Cost to Sturton le Steeple</u>	<u>Deposits/ BACS</u>
13/05/2026	13		Debrito trust land rent	£10.00	£0.00	£10.00	
13/05/2026	14		Holmes Grass Cutting	£419.72	£69.96	£349.76	
13/05/2026	15		Holmes Churchyard	£385.28	£64.20	£321.08	
28/05/2026	16		Adrian Tisi (Julie Tisi lengthsman)	£70.00	£0.00	£70.00	
28/05/2026	17		Darbys Payroll	£132.00	£22.00	£110.00	
28/05/2026	18		J Tisi Salary and Expense	£444.58	£0.00	£444.58	
31/05/2026	19		Unity Trust Service Charge	£7.00	£0.00	£7.00	
			Total	1,468.58	156.16	1,312.42	0.00

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08 June 2026	20		Holmes Grass Cutting	£419.72	£69.96	£349.76	
08 June 2026	21		Holmes Churchyard	£385.28	£64.20	£321.08	
08 June 2026	22		Laura's Cleaning Reflection Garden	£72.00	£0.00	£72.00	
08 June 2026	23		MacVenture Playing Equipment Swings	3,024.00	504.00	£2,520.00	
08 June 2026	24		Sturton Friends Hall Hire	21.00	0.00	£21.00	
08 June 2026	25		Hall Hire	24.00	0.00	£24.00	
28 June 2026	26		Lengthsman Alan Price	125.00	0.00	£125.00	
28 June 2026	27		J Tisi June Salary and Expense	449.00	0.00	£449.00	
28 June 2026	28		HMRC Tax and NI	135.56	0.00	£135.56	
30 June 2026	29		Unity Trust Service Charge	7.00	0.00	£7.00	
			Total	£4,662.56	£638.16	£4,024.40	£0.00
Payments marked in red not approved prior to month end, to be reconciled in July 2026							

Resolved that payments are correct; BACS payments will be approved by Cllr Byatt

c) Replacement of village flags

Cllr Jewitt to liaise with Cllr Warburton, it was agreed that the St Georges flag, would only be flown only at appropriate times, such as major sporting events.

07.26.20 Reports from other groups and committees

Bike track

No update

Fence at playpark leaning, add to September agenda

Swings Cllr Appleyard to discuss the removal, installation of swings with supplier, will also investigate safety matting, a maximum budget of £500 was agreed

a) Quarry Liaison Committee

Geoff Storey Estates Manager has now retired, his replacement has not yet been announced

07.26.21 Village update

a) Defibrillator check

Complete

07.26.22 Emergency Plan Review

Carry forward to September

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Date of next meeting Wednesday 9th September at 7.00pm

7.00pm Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

I declare that this is an accurate account of the meeting and agree to accept the minutes as a true account.

Signed: Chairman Sturton le Steeple Parish Council

Date:

[Julie Tisi– Clerk, Tel. 07557 762 012 – clerk@sturtonlesteeplesparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@sturtonlesteeplesparishcouncil.gov.uk)