



**WALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL  
INCLUDING FONTWELL AND BINSTED**

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**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE PAVILION AT 6.30pm ON MONDAY 2 MARCH 2026**

**1. Record of attendance and apologies**

E/68/26 In attendance were Councillors McElvogue (Chair), Titmus, Hewson, Evans, J Garlick and C Garlick.

The Clerk: S Turner

There were 6 members of the public present.

Apologies were received from Councillor Riordan and Kress Von Wendland.

**2. Declaration of interests in items on the agenda**

E/69/26 None were declared other than the dispensation below.

**3. Vote on dispensations – Parish Councillors**

E/70/26 The clerk presented Cllr McElvogue's dispensation for the meeting.

A vote was taken with Cllrs Hewson, Evans and Titmus in favour, Cllrs C Garlick and J Garlick against.

**Resolved:** Motion carried in favour of Cllr McElvogue being granted the dispensation to participate in discussions and vote in the meeting on the agenda items.

**4. The Bus Shelter Project**

E/71/26 The following points were raised.

**a. To review the current status and financial position of the bus shelter project**

The Chairman confirmed that the third bus shelter had not been ordered and therefore not delivered. That the budget was there for the bus shelters from the CIL funding stream and that there was no allocation for the third bus shelter yet as it would be looked at in the next financial year.

**b. To receive and consider a concise project report from the Project Manager**

A report was circulated to the Councillors which was received and considered. A question was raised if the report would be available in the public domain. The Chairman confirmed it would not be available due to sensitive information but once redacted it could be.

**c. To discuss and agree the next steps for the Project, including available options and possible implications for the Parish**

The chairman explained the situation regarding the bus shelters. The Yapton Lane bus shelter, once it had been delivered and placed in position, it became apparent that the measurements were incorrect. It had to be moved for safety reasons; hence it being

temporarily located by the Village Hall. The second one, at Fontwell, had been removed as a question had arisen over its height for cyclists. It is in safe storage until WSCC could review the situation. However, this would not be until the end of March as WSCC were prioritising flooding on the roads over other work.

Questions were asked why the Parish Council could not return the bus shelters to the manufacturer. The Chaiman explained that until the Parish Council had met with WSCC to review the situation, the Parish Council would not know what its options were and could not make any decisions until then.

Suggestions were made for re-siting the bus shelters, moving existing bus shelters around with design suggestions for various locations.

It was requested that a decision on whether the bus shelters can be rejected be reported back to Full Council on 7 April 2026.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.30.

Signed..... Date.....  
Chair