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**MINUTES OF THE WALBERTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE PAVILION AT 7.15pm ON TUESDAY, ~~6 JANUARY 2026~~ *D.H.K.*
*3rd February 2026***

- 1. Record of attendance and apologies**
FC/29/26 In attendance were Cllrs Hewson, Evans, Riordan and Kress Von Wendland
Cllr Bence, WSCC and Cllr Penycate, Arun District Council (ADC).
There were 3 members of the public present

Apologies were received from Cllr McElvogue, J Garlick, C Garlick and The Clerk
- 2. Declaration of interests in items on the agenda**
FC/30/26 None

Due to the absence of Council Chair, Cllr Riordan put himself forward to chair the meeting, voted unanimously by those Councillors present. As there was no Clerk and a few Councillors, it was suggested that the meeting be recorded to ensure accurate minute taking, voted unanimously by all present.
- 3. Confirmation of the Minutes**
FC/31/26 The minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 6 January 2026 were confirmed as being a true record of the business conducted (typo in item 4 amended and signed).
- 4. Matters arising**
FC/32/26 None
- 5. Public questions (max 15 minutes)**
FC/33/26 Question - the path around the playing field that wasn't completed despite questions going back to May 2025 and there had been no satisfactory response.

None of the Councillors could answer the question and chair accepted the responsibility to look into the situation and report back.

Question - The draft minutes not posted on the website so that attendees could prepare.

Cllr Bence stated that at the point they would not have been ratified and cannot be published but saw no reason why draft minutes could not be sent to attendees.

Chair agreed to check the Standing Orders and look at how attendees could be informed.

Question - The Walbinfont article on 'new Councillor' incorrect wording.

The Chair agreed to take this forward for amendment.