

NITON AND WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NITON & WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT WHITWELL VILLAGE HALL, ON 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026 AT 19.15.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr L Sheerin (Chair), Cllr T Addison (Vice-Chair), Cllr R Willis, Cllr B Martin, Cllr C Critchison, Cllr S Biles, Cllr C Ould, Cllr B Attrill.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Sherlie Burrige (Parish Clerk) K Stay (Parish Warden) and Five members of the public including a representative of the County Press Newspaper.

**Public Question Time**

An opportunity will be given, **before the start of the meeting**, and for a period of up to 15 minutes, if necessary, for members of the public to make comments and ask questions.

**Comments and questions may also be submitted in writing to the Clerk; a written response will be provided as soon as possible after the meeting.**

A representative from the W I, who are re-planting the raised flowerbeds in Niton, requested permission to attach a trellis onto the Exchange building and plant an arch of flowering Jasmine. The chair will check the lease agreement to see if that is permissible.

**1. APOLOGIES**

To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Logan and Cllr Rhodes.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest

**NONE RECEIVED**

**3. MINUTES**

To take as read and confirm as accurate the minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 8th May 2025 and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

After checking it was found that the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025 had already been approved in on June 2025.

**RESOLVED.** To accept and approve the minutes of Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

**4. ELECTION OF CHAIR**

To elect the Chair for the coming year.

**5. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

To elect the Vice Chair for the coming year

**6. OTHER APPOINTMENTS:**

**6.1 Appointment of Standing Committees and Working Parties/Groups**

To consider the appointments for the ensuing year.

Planning Committee

Footpaths/Community Transport Working Party

Recreation Ground Working Party

Allotment Road Car Park Working Party

Youth Working Party

Castlehaven Working Party

**6.2 Appointments to Outside Bodies**

To appoint Members to serve on outside bodies as necessary.

IWALC Executive Committee

IWALC Deputy  
Health and Wellbeing Advocate  
Age Friendly Champion  
Environment

**RESOLVED:** That the appointments are now as follows:

#### APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES 2026/2027

|                                                             |                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Planning Committee                                          | All members (Chair Cllr Martin)                              |
| Footpaths/Community Transport Working Party                 | Cllrs Critchison, Biles, Martin, Attrill, Ould, and Sheerin. |
| Recreation Ground and Allotment Road Car Park Working Party | Cllrs Attrill, Biles, Willis, Critchison and Rhodes.         |
| Youth Working Party                                         | Cllr Martin to be the point of contact.                      |
| Castlehaven Working Party                                   | Cllrs Addison, Attrill, Sheerin, Martin.                     |

#### APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

**RESOLVED:** that the following appointments be made:

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| IWALC Executive Committee      | Cllr Martin     |
| IWALC Deputy                   | Cllr Critchison |
| Health and Well-being Advocate | Cllr Logan      |
| Age Friendly Champion          | Cllr Logan      |
| Environment                    | Cllr Logan      |

#### 7. REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS:

**7.1 Standing Orders:** To review the Council's Standing Orders.

**7.2 Financial Regulations:** To review the Council's Financial Regulations.

**7.3 Bank Mandates:** To review the signatories for the Lloyds Bank current account.

**RESOLVED:** That signatory's no longer members of the Parish Council should be removed and Cllr C Critchison be added as a signatory.

#### 8. FINANCE:

##### 8.1 Subscriptions

To approve the payment of yearly subscriptions to any bodies considered appropriate - NALC and SLCC. – NALC Subscription already approved and paid.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the yearly subscription to the SLCC - Society of Local Council Clerks.

**8.2 Financial Statements:** To receive financial statements as of 24<sup>th</sup> June 2026

**8.3 Payment of Accounts:** To confirm and approve the payment of accounts for June 2026

9. **ASSET REGISTERS:**  
Review of current Parish Asset Register and Parish Land Asset Register
10. **PLANNING:**
- 10.1 **Planning Application 26/00762/HOU** – Downlands, Newport Road, Niton.  
Change of use of outbuilding to provide ancillary accommodation.  
**RESOLVED:** The Parish Council have no objections to this application.
- 10.2 **Planning Application 26/00830/11BPA** – Puckaster Farm, Puckaster Lane, Niton.  
Prior approval for demolition of farmhouse and ancillary outbuilding comprising farm barns.  
**RESOLVED:** The Parish Council have no objection to this application.
- 10.3 **Planning Application 26/00831/6PA** Puckaster Farm, Puckaster Lane, Niton.  
Agricultural Prior Notification for proposed Agricultural storage barn.  
**RESOLVED:** The Parish Council have no objections to this application.
11. **Planning Decisions:**  
**26/00525/FUL** – Proposed two dwellings and formation of vehicular access with associated landscaping  
**REFUSED 17/6/26**  
  
**Any other decisions made during week 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June 2026**
12. **Planting plan for Community Space at Fields Nursery:**  
To discuss proposed plan received from Natural Enterprise.
13. **GRANT APPLICATION FROM NITON PARISH CHURCH:**  
To consider the application for assistance in funding the upkeep of Niton Parish Church Cemetery Grounds.
14. **UPDATE ON RESPONSE TO THE NITON AND WHITWELL HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY:**  
Update on response to the Niton and Whitwell Housing Needs Survey.
15. **NITON RECREATION GROUND:**  
To discuss recently received ROSPA Report.  
To receive an update on the works being conducted at Niton Recreation Ground.
16. **COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH INITIATIVE:**  
To receive a presentation from Cllr Critchison and discuss.
17. **Whit Well Whitwell:**  
To discuss estimates for replacement of signage on the Whit Well.  
**RESOLVED:** The estimate for the replacement signage was approved.
18. **ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:**
19. **CLERK'S REPORT:**
20. **COUNCILLORS' REPORT**
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21. **PARISH WARDENS REPORT:**  
  
**Members of the public and press will be asked to leave the meeting.**
22. **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM:**