

PILLERTON PRIORS PARISH COUNCIL

**The 219th Meeting of the Pillerton Priors Parish Council was held on
Thursday 14th May 2026 at 8.41pm following the Annual Parish Assembly
in Pillerton Priors Village Hall.
All Parishioners were welcome to attend.**

Present: Cllr Michael Nevill (Chair)
Cllr Dave McWhirter (Vice Chair)
Cllr Jo Wilkinson (Treasurer & Responsible Financial Officer (RFO))
Cllr Dominic Sant
Ian Greenall (Clerk)

Residents 1 Resident was present

Number	Item
1	Parish Clerk's welcome – Ian Greenall welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2	Apologies were received from Cllr David Curtis (WCC) and 12 residents.
3	Appointment of Parish Council Chair 2026-27 – Michael Nevill was proposed by Dave McWhirter and seconded by Dominic Sant. Michael then took the chair.
4	Appointment of Vice-Chair 2026-27 – Michael proposed Dave McWhirter and Dominic seconded.
5	Appointment of Treasurer/RFO 2026-27 – Michael proposed Jo Wilkinson and Dave McWhirter seconded.
6	Approval of the minutes of the 218th Parish Council Meeting The Minutes of the 217 th Parish Council Meeting held on 15 th January 2026 were approved by Jo Wilkinson and seconded by Dominic Sant. They were signed by Michael Nevill as a true record of the meeting.
7	Matters Arising from the Minutes
7.1	Fosseway Stamford Hall Footpath The PC has contacted the landowner to inform them of their responsibilities and those of WCC.
8	Treasurer's Report Jo Wilkinson gave an overview of quarter four for 2025-26. The starting bank balance for the quarter was £16,646.71 (31/12/25) and the closing bank balance £15,401.72 (31/03/26). No income was received in the period, but 9 payments had been made, including 3 bank charges. There are no payments outstanding at the end of the period.
9	Parish Council Financial Audit to 31st March 2026 Jo Wilkinson went through the various parts of the AGAR documentation.
9.1	Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2025/26 AGAR Certificate Exemption – AGAR 2025/26 We can do this because our total gross income for the year or total gross annual expenditure, for the year did not exceed £25,000 We are also able to confirm that: • The authority was in existence on 1st April 2022 • In relation to the preceding financial year (2024/25), the external auditor has not: • issued a public interest report in respect of the authority or any entity connected with it

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	- made a statutory recommendation to the authority, relating to the authority or any entity connected with it - issued an advisory notice under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 8 to the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 ("the Act"), and has not withdrawn the notice - commenced judicial review proceedings under section 31(1) of the Act - made an application under section 28(1) of the Act for a declaration that an item of account is unlawful, and the application has not been withdrawn nor has the court refused to make the declaration • The court has not declared an item of account unlawful after a person made an appeal under section 28(3) of the Act By confirming these conditions we can proceed with declare ourselves exempt. By confirming these conditions, we can proceed to declare ourselves exempt from an external audit. Those attending the meeting agreed with the exemption.
9.2	Annual Governance As part of the Annual Governance Accountability Return we need to highlight that there are sound systems of internal control including arrangements for the preparations of the accounting statement. As a Parish Council we need to confirm that to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the accounting statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that the Parish Council had all of the financial arrangements in place. A vote was taken to identify if the residents agreed with the Annual Governance Statement. This was agreed.
9.3	Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2025/26 It was agreed that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return presented fairly the financial position of the Parish Council and its income and expenditure. The Accounts for 2025/26 will be available for inspection from Tuesday 2nd June for a period of 30 working days. Please contact the Parish Clerk to arrange an appointment to inspect them.
10	Planning Application update on live applications from the last meeting (These were discussed as part of the Annual Parish Assembly held prior to this meeting)
10.1	25/01271/FUL Change of use of land to provide 7 Travelling Showpersons plots and associated works including hardstanding at Land Adjoining Coverwell Farm Pillerton Hersey for Mr Smith. Comments were by 20/08/2025. The application is still pending consideration
10.2	25/02878/OUT Outline application with all matters reserved except for access, for the erection of one self-build/custom build dwelling, formation of vehicular access from A422 Banbury Road, and all associated works at land at Cadbold Farmhouse for Mr and Mrs Humphries. Comments by 22/01/2026. The application is still pending consideration
11	Planning Applications received since the last meeting
11.1	26/00229/FUL Proposed New Stable Building and change of use of land from agricultural to equestrian at Stamford Hall Barn for Mr and Mrs Johnson. Comments are by 26/05/2026. Pending Consideration.
11.2	26/00504/FUL Erection of self-build/custom build dwelling and all associated works on Land North of Stockleys Orchard for Mr and Mrs Stepney. Planning Permission Refused on 12/05/2026.

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11.3	26/00862/LDE Lawful commencement of development for demolition of existing dwelling and construct replacement dwelling and garage, together with all ancillary works as per planning permission 01/01273/FUL which is now extant indefinitely at Keepers for Mr Burton. Comments were by 12/05/2026. Pending Consideration
12	Open Forum
12.1	It was noted that the attendance for this meeting was disappointing
13	Date and Time of Next Meeting The 220 th Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 th July 2026 commencing 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
14	The Meeting was closed at 8.50pm and Michael thanked everyone for their attendance.

Chair: Michael Nevill

Date Signed:

Minutes: Ian Greenall
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