



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ARMTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ARMTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE, WELFARE PARK, CHURCH STREET, ARMTHORPE, ON TUESDAY, 02 JUNE 2026

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Councillor C Head.

Councillors: A Barrington, A Duckitt, M Jackson, L Monks, E North, C Parry, and M Walton.

Clerk to the Council: S Youngman.

Three members of the public.

Not in attendance: Councillors A Bradley and L Bradley

21 ITEMS TO WHICH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM

RESOLVED: None

22 DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

None.

23 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors C Brodhurst Brown, T Needham, S Rose and C Trewick.

RESOLVED: To approve the reasons for absence.

24 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 05 MAY 2026

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

25 MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND GENERAL-PURPOSE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21 APRIL 2026

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting be noted as received.

26 PLANNING

a. Planning Applications

26/00787/FUL: Proposed play park on existing dilapidated recreational ground to the rear of Armthorpe Community Centre.

No objections were made.

27 FINANCE

a. 2025-2026 Year End Accounts

Council members were provided with a copy of the annual reports for approval.

RESOLVED: To approve the reports

b. Annual Governance Statement

Council members were asked to read each statement and to resolve to answer Yes or No.

RESOLVED: To agree with the statements with the exception of no.9 which is not applicable.

i. Accounting Statements

Council members were provided with a copy of the Accounting Statements.

RESOLVED: To approve the Accounting Statements.

c. Schedule of Payments

Deferred.

d. Bank Reconciliation

Council members were provided with a copy of the report dated 30th April 2026.

RESOLVED: To approve the report.

e. Income and Expenditure Report

Council members were provided with a copy of the report dated 30th April 2026

RESOLVED: To approve the report.

28 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Members were invited to consider volunteering to serve on the Parish Council's committees with vacancies.

RESOLVED: For the following appointments to committees to be made:

Community Centre & General Purpose: Councillors A Duckitt and M Walton.

Staffing: Councillor M Jackson.

29 CITY COUNCILLOR UPDATES

Councillor N Pritchard advised that he had only just become aware of the bi-election that had been called to fill the Parish Councillor vacancy. He stated that he did not condone the actions of those who had triggered the election.

Councillor N Pritchard advised that he had been assisting a member of the public with the receipt of their mail and had also arranged for the pavement along Woodlea Grove to be inspected by Doncaster Council.

Councillor C Marriott advised that with the sad news of another local water-related fatality, expressions of condolence have been issued on behalf of Armthorpe.

Councillor C Marriott provided the following updates:

1. A letter has been sent to ASA Medical Group regarding the recent change to the procedure to make appointments. Healthwatch Doncaster will be at the practice all day on Monday 8th June to speak with patients.
2. The overgrown nettles on Granby Court have been dealt with by Doncaster Council.
3. The issue with the bins on Church Street is ongoing.
4. A request for an additional dog waste bin on Whiphill Lane has been submitted to Doncaster Council.
5. The Planning Inspectorate has refused the appeal against the decision relating to the application for a children's nursery on Whiphill Lane.
6. A community Speedwatch session will take place on 3rd June from 10am to 11am.
7. Albemarle Homes have released details of the planning proposals for the Grange Farm development; details will be shared with residents.

30 POLICIES

a. Councillors Allowance

Council members were provided with a copy of the policy.

RESOLVED: To approve the policy.

b. Business Continuity Plan

Council members were provided with a copy of the policy.

RESOLVED: To approve the policy.

c. Pension Compulsory Discretionary Policy

Council members were provided with a copy of the policy.

RESOLVED: To approve the policy.

31 CORRESPONDENCE

a. Update from Cash Access

Council members were provided with a copy of letter providing an update on requiring a building for the banking hub.

RESOLVED: To note receipt of the letter.

32 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

RESOLVED: To hold the meeting on Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7pm.

33 MEMBERS ITEMS

Councillor A Barrington questioned whether the vending machine within the community centre is used. The Clerk confirmed that the vending machine is used by most groups using the building.

Councillor A Barrington reported a dumped TV screen on Barton Lane. Councillor C Marriott agreed to report the matter to Doncaster Council.

Councillor M Jackson advised that Doncaster Council had rejected the planning application for the installation of new flood lighting at Armthorpe Miners Welfare Recreation Ground.

Councillor M Jackson reported lots of negativity towards the state of Rands Lane Burial ground on social media. The Clerk advised that the matter had been dealt with and was due to a delay in receiving all the grounds maintenance equipment.

34 PUBLIC SESSION

A member of the public reported a missing knee rail fence on Tranmoor Lane. Councillor C Marriott agreed to report the matter to Doncaster Council.

A member of the public remarked on the update regarding ASA Medical Group.

A member of the public advised that the road sign at the top of Mere Lane is missing. Councillor C Marriott agreed to report the matter to Doncaster Council.

A member of the public asked for an update on the expected timeline for the installation of the park behind the Community Centre. The Clerk advised that the planning decision is due in July, if the application is successful then the installation will be imminent.