

# Butterton Parish Council

## Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 24th February, 2026 at 7pm

### 1. Apologies – Cllrs Hewitt and Kirby

Welcome Cllr Jonathan Kempster

### Public Comments, Questions or Representations

2. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January....Accepted as correct and signed

### 3. Matters arising

\*All dealt with in agenda items

### Business Items

4. **Radon**- Cllr Stone has compiled some literature which will be made available in the pub, church, village hall, on the website and Doubly Thankful Facebook page. An email will be sent to Lily and Brian Hambleton Plumb to update them on the council's actions. SMDC have ceased providing info on radon. Instead contact [ukradon.org](http://ukradon.org)

5. **Gritting in the Parish**- Cllr Kempster has been in contact with Dave Rushton who has said that grit will be supplied 'as and when resources allow'. Re the subsidence on the way down to Swainsley....photographs are needed to progress any work.

6. **Setts and Paving by the Bus Shelter**- Steve Billings will be asked to clear the setts on a more regular basis. There are possibly some spare sett stones in the church shed that could be used to tidy up the area near the flower tub.

7. **Peak Cluster Pipeline**- The proposed pipeline does not come through the Manifold Ward. Cllr Kempster and the Green Party have been considering alternative methods and continue to actively research the subject....The production of cement from our many quarries creates a lot of carbon. Could the carbon be captured and piped out and buried at sea where gas has been extracted? Could moving to using alternative means be the answer ?

### 8. Cllr Kempster's Updates -

\* Connect Fibre £500 grant term of application has been extended and is available for any community project.

\* There is a grant available from the Climate Change Fund ranging from £500-£5,000

\* Jade Hughes, Cultural Officer is interested in supporting the Manifold Ward by providing some promotional material on individual villages. All info to be supplied to Cllr Kempster.

\* Contact will be made with Phil Derry who can assist with some signage for our continuing problem with dog poo.

\* LGR- Proposals have been sent to the Government for consultation.

9. **Finance a. Payments received**- none **b. Payments requested**- none **c. Account balances given d. HMRC**  
The Clerk and Cllr Stone have compiled a letter to HMRC following yet another demand for payment.

### **Correspondence**

9. **PDNPA- General**- Nothing to report **Planning**- Sunnyside, Back Lane. The councillors unanimously agreed to the proposals for a double garage and workshop at Sunnyside. PDNPA to be informed of the council's decision.

10. **Severn Trent**- Nothing to report

11. **Highways** – nothing further to report

12. **Staffordshire Moorlands District Council**- Nothing to report

13. **Staffordshire County Council** – Nothing to report

14. **Staffordshire Parish Councils Association**- Nothing to report

15. **Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assembly**- Meeting upcoming

**Other Correspondence**- All emails have been sent to Councillors as and when received by the Clerk.

### 16. AOB

\*Cllr Salt reiterated concerns re dog poo in Middle of Town and Clewes Lane.

\* Cllr Tomlinson expressed concerns re new poles being placed by Connect Fibre when in fact the area is part of the Conservation Area. In times past cables have been put underground and poles eliminated.

[The next meeting is the APM on Tuesday 5th May, 2026 at 7pm.](#)

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