

Minutes of Kilmeston Annual Parish Meeting held 19th May 2026

Venue Kilmeston Village Hall

Present: - Cllr. Edward Pitts - Chairman
Cllr. Charlie Parry (CP)
Cllr. Nick Gerrard (NG)
Cllr. Jason Bridgen (JB)
Cllr. Jerry Pett – WCC
Cllr. David Ablitt – WCC
Cllr. Jonathan Williams - HCC
14 residents
Mr. Kenrick Fell - Clerk

The Clerk opened the meeting after the Annual Assembly

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 17th MARCH 2026.

The Minutes were agreed.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Nominations were invited for Chairman. Nick Gerrard proposed Edward Pitts, and he was seconded by Jason Bridgeman.

3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

Cllr. Hannah Beckett-Pratt had agreed to continue the role of Vice-Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

Covered under other items.

5. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF PREJUDICIAL INTEREST .

Nil.

5. PARISH MATTERS AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS.

- a) Lengthsman (CP) Cllr. Parry stated that the lengthsman had visited the village four times and that they were still funded by HCC.
- b) Footpaths (JB) Cllr. Bridgen stated that there were no problems with the footpaths.
- c) Trees & Village Green (NG) Cllr. Gerrard stated that there were no problems. The ditches had been dug out but there was one to do.
- d) River Itchen (HB) Cllr. Beckett-Pratt had submitted her apologies.
- e) Highways (SY) The Chairman stated that he had seen a Hampshire Highways van at the bottom of Kilmeston Road.
- f) General Maintenance.
The Chairman had stained the bus shelter, but he mentioned that it would soon require some repair work.
- g) HCC & WCC Reports. These had been circulated to Members.

6. PLANNING (SY).

SDNP/26/01204/HOUS The Cottage, Kilmeston Road.

Erection of garden shed and removal of old.

PC No objection

SDNP/26/02131/HOUS & SDNP/26/02132/LIS Kilmeston Manor

Minor external landscaping, new gates, restoration of existing gates, railing & walls.

PC No objection.

7. OPEN FORUM.

Nil.

8. CORRESPONDENCE.

HCC & WCC Reports.

Landline switch off.

HALC SDNP representative election 22nd July

Police – Local Police Conference 12th June

CPRE 100 yrs

WCC recycling

Cllr. Pett – meeting

Community Bus Jon Richards

National Trust Speaker – Lee Hulin

Greenbarnes - Noticeboard

9. ACCOUNTS.

The Clerk gave details of the current financial position.

The Clerk also mentioned that the insurance quotation was the same as last year.

The Certificate of Exemption was being prepared for External Audit.

RECEIVED

WCC Precept 50%	£3,500.00
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TO PAY

Software 50%	£52.50
Clerk's exps.	£116.30
HCC Paper 50%	£22.56
Idverde grass cutting	£1,646.40
Greenbarnes noticeboard	£1,747.87
Village Hall rent	£16.00
Zurich Insurance	£241.00

Agreed

10. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA.

To be agreed.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 21st JULY 2026

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm.