

SEER GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 7th JULY 2026 AT 7.30pm

Present: Cllr L Hungin (Chairman), Cllr J Holder, Cllr C Hughes, Cllr N Baddeley and Cllr D Tryon.

In attendance: Nine residents, Cllr Carl Jackson and Mrs E Bates (Clerk).

- I. OPEN SESSION:** Residents attended the meeting to raise concerns following a webinar hosted by a company called Landra, who are proposing a development of up to 80 homes on land at the end of Highlands Road. Cllr Carl Jackson explained that the draft Local Plan, published today, rejects the site as suitable for development. He also stated that the land is Green Belt, rather than "Grey Belt" as suggested by Landra following its pre-planning enquiries with Buckinghamshire Council. Residents are encouraged to respond to the forthcoming public consultation on the Local Plan, which will be launched on 23 July 2026. It is important that the concerned residents reiterate why they believe this site is unsuitable for development and remains Green Belt. The consultation will run until 6th September 2026. Residents had received Landra's consultation document regarding the proposed development and asked for guidance on the best way to complete it if they did not support the proposal. It was suggested that anyone who was unhappy with the way their personal data would be handled under GDPR should tick the box indicating that they did not support it, return the form without providing any personal information, and keep a copy of the completed document for their records before returning it.

A Jordans resident, who is leading a project to improve the footpath between Jordans and Seer Green on land owned by Jordans Village Limited, attended the meeting to discuss the project and the quotations that had been obtained for the resurfacing work. It was agreed that the matter would be discussed in further detail at the Parish Council Surgery on 14 July.

- II. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr H O'Flanagan, Cllr J Maddox and Cllr T Brewis.

Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes for the June meeting were approved by Cllr Holder and Cllr Hughes. The minutes were duly signed as a correct record of the meeting.

Update on Actions from Previous Meeting:

STAKEHOLDER	ACTION	STATUS
Cllr Holder, Clerk	The new bench for the bus stop near Stable Lane will be ordered and a local contractor will be asked to install it.	Underground service reports have been requested, and a contractor has been asked to quote to install the bench with paving underneath.
Cllr Holder, Clerk	The Jubilee Hall accounts will be sent for an external inspection.	A local resident has kindly agreed to inspect the accounts for one more year. They have been prepared and delivered.
Cllr Hungin	The two changing rooms have been redecorated. Little Ducklings have been asked to install acetate where the coats are hung to ensure the wall does not get stained. Cllr Hungin will help them to organise the acetate to put on the walls and also the contractor to install it.	A contractor has been asked to quote for the installation of the acetate. The cost will be SGPC's responsibility
Cllr Hungin	Blaser Mills will be contacted to see where they are in preparing the 10-year renewal of the lease for Little Ducklings.	The Authority to Proceed and verification will be carried out shortly. The Authority was signed by the Clerk

Cllr Brewis, Councillors	There are still outstanding issues with missing emails following the email migration with VisionICT. Councillors were asked to log their issues with missing emails with Cllr Brewis so he can manage the situation.	It was noted that the search function on email does not work. A ticket has been logged and we are awaiting a response.
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Matters arising from the previous meeting not listed on the Agenda: No items were raised.

III. MONTHLY RISK INSPECTIONS:

- i. **Health and Safety issues identified and recommended actions:** Cllr Holder carried out the June inspection on 23 June 2026 and reported that there were no health and safety issues. The only matter noted was fallen plums on the path in Green Meadow, which appeared to be partly due to children climbing the tree. No action was considered necessary. The July inspection will be carried out by Cllr Brewis and the August inspection will be carried out by Cllr O'Flanagan. **(Action – Cllr Brewis, Cllr O'Flanagan)** The Allotment Association reported that the faulty tap has been replaced. They confirmed that there were no other issues to raise.
- ii. **Maintenance issues identified and recommended actions:** One of the Bird's Nest swings and the swing shackles on both Bird's Nest swings and the junior swings will be replaced by Kompan Ltd on 7th August.
- iii. **Other Health and Safety Issues (not covered above):** No items were raised.

IV. DECLARATION OF INTEREST: There were no declarations of interest.

- V. CORRESPONDENCE:** Buckinghamshire Council Electoral Services confirmed that it had not received the required number of requests for an election. The Parish Council may therefore proceed to co-opt a councillor to fill the vacancy. No applications have been received to date.
- Following repeated vehicle damage to the streetlight in Wynnswick Road, residents were consulted on a proposed relocation and a site visit was undertaken. It is proposed that the streetlight be moved to the pavement on the left-hand side of the existing property Bramble Patch, subject to the absence of underground utility constraints. The proposed location has been submitted to Enerveo for assessment. If it is confirmed as suitable and safe, residents will be informed and a quotation for the relocation will be obtained. **(Action – Clerk)**
- Following a request by the Scouts to have an Emergency Exit through the Allotment Site for the BeerFest, the Chair of 1st Seer Green Scouts has said that the project is on hold pending the receipt of an estimate. He confirmed that it is not essential to have in place for this years Beer Fest and the Scouts want to make sure the cost estimate is viable and reasonable before they approve it. Several residents raised concerns regarding noise and other issues associated with the Three Horseshoes public house. It was agreed that the landlord would be contacted to discuss these matters. **(Action – Clerk)**
- Concern had been raised about the removal of hedgerow on footpath 13 which has been replaced by fencing.

VI. FINANCE:

From 1st June 2026 to 30th June 2026:-

Payments amounting to:-

£7,799.49

Income received:-

£4,201.09

The closing bank balances on 30th June 2026 totalled:-

£148,326.04

The finance list was reviewed and unanimously approved.

- VII. PLANNING:** The planning applications were reviewed. The Parish Council agreed to note on the Planning Portal that we are neutral on the following four applications:- PL/26/04752/FA - Glenmere, Manor Crescent, PL/26/04612/FA - Tygwyn, 34 Howard Crescent, PL/26/04713/TP - The Redwood, Long Grove, PL/26/04100/FA - 2 Manor Farm Way. A planning sub-committee will be formed to discuss the Landra proposal and report back to the next meeting. **(Action – Cllr Hungin, Cllr Tryon, Cllr Baddeley, Cllr Holder and Cllr Maddox)**

VIII. PRINCIPAL AGENDA ITEMS.

- i. **COMMUNITY AWARD:** It was unanimously agreed to present this year's Community Award to Rebecca Davies at the next Folk Night on 21st July. Rebecca was recognised as she served as

Chair of the Preschool from 2023 to 2025, dedicating significant time and energy to its continued success. During her tenure, she introduced the annual Comedy Night fundraiser, which has become a sell-out community event, raising thousands of pounds for the preschool each year. She also revitalised the annual preschool fete, rebranding it as the Fairytale Fete and leading its successful delivery from 2023 to 2025. In addition, Rebecca established and continues to run the monthly Folk Club, providing a welcoming and inclusive space where people of all ages can come together to enjoy music, friendship, and a strong sense of community. **(Action – Cllr Hungin, Cllr Holder)**

- ii. **UPDATE ON BEST KEPT VILLAGE MAINTENANCE:** It was noted that a section of birdsmouth fencing at the cemetery requires re-staining, the wooden bench on Orchard Road requires sanding and re-staining, and part of the bus shelter roof on Chalfont Road has become discoloured and requires repainting. A local decorator will be asked to provide a quotation for the work. **(Action – Cllr Hughes)**
- iii. **COMMUNITY GRANT:** It was unanimously agreed to give the Scouts £250 towards the Beer Festival. **(Action – Clerk)**
- iv. **PROPOSED NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR GREEN MEADOW:** It was announced that, thanks to the generous donations and outstanding support from local businesses and residents, the crowdfunding target for the new Spire Net climbing net project had been achieved. A full report on the fundraising activities and contributions that helped deliver this excellent result will be included in the next newsletter. Thanks were recorded to Cllr Holder and Cllr Maddox for their significant hard work and commitment to the project. **(Action – Cllr Holder, Cllr Maddox)**

IX. UPDATES ON OTHER MATTERS (Reports by Exception)

- i. **JUBILEE HALL:** A meeting has been arranged with the school to discuss the renewal of their licence which is overdue. **(Action – Cllr Tryon, Cllr Holder)** Following the installation of the school kitchen, several issues have been identified. The school will be contacted to review and discuss the concerns. **(Action – Clerk)** A new high-definition Ring camera will be installed. **(Action - Cllr Holder)** A Jubilee Hall Committee meeting has been arranged for Thursday 16th July.
- ii. **PAVILION:** The drain hopper on the front of the building is blocked and a contractor will be asked if they can clear it. **(Action – Cllr Hungin)**
- iii. **BIODIVERSITY:** There were no matters raised.
- iv. **PARISH COUNCIL PROPERTIES, OPEN SPACES AND SERVICES:** An arboriculturist from The Whole Tree Company has been booked for Tuesday 15th September to do the annual inspection of trees on Parish Council land. **(Action – Cllr Hughes)** The Scouts requested permission to clear holly in Green Wood. Further details of the proposed project need to be agreed, and a representative from the Scouts will be invited to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss this further.

- X. INFORMATION ITEMS:** Cllr Hungin will attend the Parish Council Surgery on 14th July at Seer Green Baptist Church at 10.30am with the Clerk. A new defibrillator, which will be housed in a blue box, will be installed on the railings of Holy Trinity church.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

NEXT MEETING – The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st September 2026 at 7.30pm at Seer Green Baptist Church, Wood Pond Close, Seer Green, HP9 2XG.