

DRAFT MINUTES of the **MEETING** of **SILKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Monday 1st June 2026** in Silkstone Sports Pavilion.

PRESENT

Meeting chaired by Cllr Meryl Liddell.

Councillors: Cllr Richard Leech, Cllr Jim Logan, Cllr Janice Wake, Cllr Peter Millar, and Cllr Derek Liddell.

Also present: Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer: Richard Bell and Cllr Frances Nixon (Barnsley MBC).

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Cllr Leech again reported that the gullies on Cone Lane and A628 need to be cleared of debris; he also said that the streetlights on The Cross were still unlit.

Cllr Leech said he has had another complaint from a resident about Footpath number 29 between Towngate and Manor Park as the steps are still dangerous. He also said that hedging and vegetation next to the play area on Manor Park was overgrown.

Cllr Wake said that the dog fouling previously reported inside and around the football play area off Broad Gates is still a problem and will send photographic evidence of the “No Dogs” sign to the Clerk to raise with BMBC.

26-027 APOLOGIES

RESOLVED to note apologies received by the Clerk prior to commencement of the meeting from Cllr Bird and Cllr Smith.

26-028 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED to note no declarations of interest were made.

26-029 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Annual meeting of Silkstone Parish Council held on Monday 11th May 2026, as a true and accurate record.

The Chair signed the minutes.

26-030 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED to note that no Planning applications have been received.

26-031 BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2026-2030

RESOLVED to note the next meeting of the Business Development Plan Working Party will take place in the Sports Pavilion on 24th June 2026 at 7pm.

26-032 EVENTS WORKING PARTY & AUTUMN FAYRE

RESOLVED to note an update from Cllr Wake that there are currently 15 confirmed exhibitors and potentially a Choir.

26-033 COUNCIL EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE

RESOLVED to note that all Councillors have moved to the new server for Council owned email addresses.

26-034 INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

Date	Payee	Description	Net	Vat	Total	Payment Type
18-May-26	South Yorkshire Pensions	Redacted	£519.29	£0.00	£519.29	DD
21-May-26	C Landscapes Limited	Village Grass Cutting	£187.50	£0.00	£187.50	SO
25-May-26	BT	Office Broadband	£72.91	£14.58	£87.49	DD
30-May-26	British Gas	Pavilion Utilities	£58.29	£2.91	£61.20	DD
30-May-26	British Gas	Pavilion Utilities	£105.02	£5.25	£110.27	DD
31-May-26	Redacted	Pavilion Cleaning (£26 per week) x 5	£130.00	£0.00	£130.00	SO
31-May-26	Unity Trust Bank	Service Charges	£10.20	£0.00	£10.20	DD
31-May-26	EE	Office Telephone & Microsoft 365	£38.27	£7.66	£45.93	DD
01-Apr-26	Redacted	Salaries	£1,000.60	£0.00	£1,000.60	SO
01-Apr-26	Redacted	Office Allowance	£26.00	£0.00	£26.00	SO
01-Apr-26	Expert Water Services	Legionella Monthly monitoring	£55.00	£11.00	£66.00	SO
01-Jun-26	Redacted	Newsletter Delivery	£130.00	£0.00	£130.00	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Redacted	Newsletter Delivery	£130.00	£0.00	£130.00	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Redacted	Batteries for Pavilion	£12.70	£0.00	£12.70	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Huskar Community Rooms	Hire of Room	£60.00	£0.00	£60.00	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Infinite Fire & security	Increased Security for HCR	£2,861.00	£385.00	£3,246.00	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Bothams Prestige	Pre Season Works	£1,050.00	£210.00	£1,260.00	ONLINE
01-Jun-26	Profell	Works in Conroyd Wood	£440.00	£0.00	£440.00	ONLINE
Total invoices for payment			£6,886.78	£636.40	£7,523.18	

RESOLVED to approve the payment schedule dated 1st June 2026.

26-035 SILKSTONE COMMON METHODIST CHAPEL CLOCK

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to obtain a quotation and raise a Purchase Order for repair of the village clock using power under Section 2 of the Parish Councils Act 1957.

26-036 UNITY BANK PAYMENT AUTHORISATION MANDATE

RESOLVED to add Cllr Bird to the payment authorisation mandate and reapply to add Cllr M Liddell and Cllr D Liddell to mandate.

26-037 GRANT APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED to note that no grant applications have been received.

26-038 CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA FEESIBILITY

RESOLVED to note an update from the Clerk about the feasibility of a young children's play area in Silkstone Recreation Ground and ask the Clerk to obtain a second quotation for presentation to Council.

26-039 HANGING BASKETS 2026

RESOLVED to note an update from the Clerk that some light columns have been replaced so more baskets can be hung than originally thought – baskets that are left over can be sold but the plastic holders remain the property of the contractor.

26-040 SILKSTONE RECREATION GROUND FENCE & CAR PARK

RESOLVED to agree to remove the remaining side panels from the Youth Shelter, refurbish it and the surrounding area to create a more ‘family friendly’ environment.

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to arrange for repairs to the surface of the Car Park.

26-041 CORRESPONDENCE FOR NOTE & CLERK UPDATE

1) Community Group seeking assistance with Neighbourhood Development Plan.
2) Local Resident with land registry issues.
3) Enquiry about the apparent lack of native Bluebells in Silkstone Fall Wood.

RESOLVED to note the correspondence dealt with by the Clerk.

26-042 ANNUAL PARISHIONERS’ MEETING

RESOLVED to note that the Annual Parishioners’ Meeting will take place on Monday 8th June 2026 at 6.30pm in the Silkstone Common Methodist Chapel.

26-043 CONE LANE ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED to ask the Clerk to ensure the notice is published in Noticeboards and Facebook.

26-044 MEETINGS

Cllr Richard Leech	Huskar Community Rooms (Silkstone Community Centre), Contractor – HCR Alarm system, Community Litter Pick & Bins Emptying, Defibrillator Weekly Check, Parish Walk with Ward Councillors, Hanging Baskets Audit.
Cllr Derek Liddell	None.
Cllr Meryl Liddell	Events Working Party.
Cllr Debra Smith	Not present.
Cllr Melvyn Bird	Not present.
Cllr Janice Wake	Events Working Party.

Cllr Peter Millar	None.
Cllr Jim Logan	.Events Working Party.
Clerk Update	• Hanging Baskets Audit. • Defibrillator Weekly Checks undertaken in Silkstone Common. • Community Litter Pick and Bins emptied.

26-045 DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The next Meeting of Silkstone Parish Council will be held in Silkstone Sports Pavilion on Monday 6th July 2026.

The Chair closed the meeting at 7.34pm

Chair's Signature	Date
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