



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
BUCKBY LIBRARY & HUB
MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2026 – 7:30pm**

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

Present: J Christie, D Hiam, J Hill (Chairman), M Owen, D Stoddart, M Summerscale, P Townsend, R Vivian, A Webb, J York, Clerk – Sue Porter and 4 members of the public

1.1 APOLOGIES – R Dobbs, D Lister, J Rigby, B Spokes

1.2 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING held on MONDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 2026

- The minutes were approved by all as an accurate record of the meeting and will be signed and dated by the Chairman.

1.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Non Pecuniary: Nil

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: Nil

2. MATTERS ARISING – Nil

3. PUBLIC TIME – It was asked if crime figures could be mentioned in the planning response, it was felt that these are not relevant planning reasons from the PC but can be recorded in individual responses.

4. PLANNING

APPROVED TREE WORKS

The Parish Council noted the following approved planning application;

2026/0445/TCA - T1, T2, T3 and T4 are a small group of 3 x semi mature sycamore trees and 1 x ash tree - 1-2m overall crown reduction back to suitable growth points, G1 is a group of semi mature self-set sycamore and ash trees - works to coppice the group down to just above ground level - **Holloway House, 21 Harbidges Lane, Long Buckby**

5. BUSINESS

5.1 WNC – Local Plan Consultation – PC Response (Planning Consultant) – The response was circulated to the councillors and it was agreed by all that the document was well written. It will be asked if the condition of the other roads in the village can be identified and the greater emphasis on the impact of the increase in traffic using these, rather than focusing on Three Bridges Road. Maybe a link to the recent report on the Watford Road could be included?

5.2 WNC – Proposed 30mph Speed Limit Extension – East Street – It was approved by all the PC to support these proposals, which will now include the entrance to Cotton End Park.

Meeting Closed: 8:04pm