MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
BUCKBY LIBRARY & HUB
MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2026 – 7pm

1. OPENING PROCEDURES
Present: J Christie, R Dobbs, D Hiam, D Lister (Chairman), M Owen, J Rigby, B Spokes, D Stoddart, M Summerscale, P Townsend, R Vivian, A Webb, J York, Charles Morton (WNC), Sue Porter (Clerk) and 18 members of the public
1.1 APOLOGIES – J Hill
1.2 GUEST – Lance Wiggins (Lion Planning) — Up to 400 dwellings proposed (continuation of Jelson and Austrum developments) **- Land off Station Road (access from Burnham Way and Blincow Road):**
The outline planning application is currently being prepared for submission to WNC, before the end of 2026, with the reserved matters application to follow next year. Active travel improvements are planned, mainly for walking and cycling, along with an improved bus service. Transport modelling is in conjunction with WNC. The proximity of the Railway Station follows the government guidelines for approving new developments. 40% of the dwellings will be affordable housing. Access routes through Watson Road and Wright Road will be for pedestrians/cyclists only.
1.3 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING held on MONDAY 23rd MARCH 2026 –
The minutes were approved by all as an accurate record of the meeting and will be signed and dated by the Chairman.
1.4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS
Non Pecuniary: Nil
Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: Nil

2. MATTERS ARISING - Nil

3. PUBLIC TIME - Nil

4. PLANNING
2026/3749/HH - Proposed garage conversion, side extension, facade alterations, floor plan redesign and all associated works **– 17 Leys Close, Long Buckby**
No Objections
2026/3217/HH - Single storey side extension and attic conversion into bedroom **– 18 Holyoake Terrace, Long Buckby**
No Objections
DA/2020/0100 - Outline application (all matters reserved save for part access in respect of a re-aligned B4036 and a new roundabout at its junction with the A5) for the development of an urban extension to the north-east of Daventry including circa 3,400 dwellings (Use Class C3), elderly persons accommodation (Use Class C2), a new local centre (including convenience store (Use Class A1)), pub/restaurant (Use Class A3/A4), day nursey/community and other uses within Use Class D1 and retail terrace (Use Classes A1 - A5 & D1), an extension to Daventry Country Park, educational uses, highway infrastructure (including a new access into the site off Eastern Way and a new road link to Norton, involving stopping up part of Daventry Road to vehicular traffic), new walking and cycling routes, structural greenspace, wildlife corridors and associated landscaping, drainage and infrastructure work **- Revised Transport Assessment, Flood Risk Strategy and Planning Statement, received on 21st September 2026 - Daventry North East, B4036 Long Buckby Road, Daventry**
No Objections

5. BUSINESS

5.1 Long Buckby Community Centre – Lift Replacement – Presentation from David Croston and Malcolm Longley. Quotes have been received from several companies with the preferred supplier being Schindler. The lift is an essential piece of equipment for the Centre and the hirers. The new lift would serve the Centre for at least the next 25 years. The request is a £20,000 donation from the PC, to go with the £20,000 from their Reserves and £20,000 from fundraising and grant applications. This grant will be discussed by the PC at the October meeting.

5.2 Buckby Library & Hub – Purchase of Building – WNC have been consulting with the Library & Hub Trustees, and they have responded with a request that the current terms and conditions remain the same should the PC purchase the building.

5.3 Anti-Social Behaviour – Recreation Ground – The anti-social behaviour from Benbow Farm in the summer holidays has moved to the Recreation Ground. Damage has been done to equipment, fencing and signage. After much discussion, B Spokes proposed that CCTV is put in place for an initial period of 8 weeks, at a cost of £200 per week, and with 11 votes in favour. Carried. R Vivian proposed that once this is in place, the Recreation Ground is closed for a limited time (suggestion of 2 weeks). This will be arranged by the Recreation Ground Committee, with the relevant closure notices put in place to advise parishioners of the situation.

5.4 S106 Requests – Defer to the October PC Meeting.

6. FINANCE

It was approved by all that this invoice is approved for payment.

Cotswold Memorial Cleaning	War Memorial Clean	£592.00

Meeting Closed: 9pm