Tanworth-in-Arden Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Thursday 16th April 2026
Held at Earlswood Village Hall

Present Members: Cllr Chaudry (Chair) Cllr Cunningham, Cllr Eady, Cllr Franks, Cllr Lines, Cllr Ruddick, Cllr Saunders and Cllr Willmott.

In attendance: H Jennings (Clerk, taking minutes)
S Barnes (Deputy Clerk)
District Cllr Organ
1 member of the public joined the meeting.

Public Forum *The Chair opened the Public Forum at 19:30.*

Cllr Lynda Organ circulated her report and invited any questions, none were raised.

The Chair closed the public forum at 19:33 and commenced the meeting.

04/26/01 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Brougham, Cllr Cowan, Cllr Muntz and Cllr Ross.

04/26/02 Declarations of Interest.

No interests were declared.

04/26/03 Minutes of previous meeting

The draft minutes of the Full Council meeting on 19th March 2026 were circulated to all councillors**.**
RESOLVED – It was proposed the minutes of the Full Council meeting on 19th March 2026 to be a true and accurate account. Motion seconded and all were in favour.

04/26/04 Matters arising from the previous meeting not otherwise dealt with

None raised.

04/26/05 Matters raised in the public forum

None.

04/26/06 Correspondence

It was noted that a resident had contacted WCC regarding the volume, noise, and speed of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs) and agricultural machinery passing through Wood End. The resident requested the implementation of weight and speed restrictions and enquired about the possibility of Wood End forming a separate parish. WCC acknowledged the prevalence of HGVs in Warwickshire but noted the *Advisory Lorry Route Map* has been withdrawn, the officer also clarified that whilst HGVs should use appropriate strategic roads and primary roads in the first instance, they may legally use any road classification for access and deliveries at any time, rendering restrictions difficult to enforce.

04/26/07 Clerks Report

It was noted that the 1857 Trust had met and any recommendations made will be put forward to Full Council at the AGM in May, matters of the Trust will then continue to be reviewed annually going forward.
The Clerk informed that there had been another stakeholder meeting with the MP. It has been put forward that WCC are investigating a proposal to re-purpose the causeway as a public open space, which would mean no access to vehicles. Whilst there is nothing further to report at this time, WCC councillor James Crocker is hosting a public event on Saturday 9th May at Earlswood Village Hall. Information will be shared with both members and residents as soon as it is received.
The Parish Assembly will be held at Tanworth Village Hall on Wednesday 13th May from 7:00pm. It will move away from the more formal meeting set up and have a community expo market fair feel, with community groups invited to showcase what goes on within the Parish.
The Clerk informed that, under delegated authority, a further email license has been purchased for the Deputy Clerk. The Deputy Clerk can be contacted at deputyclerk@tanworth-pc.org.uk.

04/26/08 Finance

8.1 The Chair of Finance informed Council that due to the workload in the office the end of year financial reports were not yet completed.

8.2 The April payments list was circulated. Appendix A.
RESOLVED It was proposed that the April payments list be accepted, the motion was seconded and all were in favour.

8.3 To maintain an adequate and effective system of internal audit, Council discussed appointing an independent auditor to complete the Internal Audit for 25-26.
RESOLVED It was proposed that William Robinson be appointed as the Internal Auditor for the 2025 -2026 Internal Audit process. This was seconded and all were in favour.

04/26/09 Planning

The minutes from the Planning Committee meetings are available on the Parish Council website - www.tanworth-pc.gov.uk/planning-committee.

The Chair of Planning noted that there has recently been four small-scale housing applications on grey belt land outside the BUAB, and expressed concern over the District Council's interpretation of sustainable development and Greenbelt restrictions. Concerns were also raised regarding the five-year land supply and a lack of cross-boundary planning to mitigate the impact of major developments in neighbouring authorities. It was raised that the approval of multiple small planning approvals fail to provide the essential infrastructure needed to support growth. The Planning Committee has written to SDCs Head of Development in regards to its concerns.

04/26/10 Outstanding Issues – any updates for information or discussion

None raised.

04/26/11 To receive updates from Committees and Working Parties

11.1 Anti-Social Behaviour

It was noted that members of the committee attended the quarterly update with MP Manuela Perteghella. Three residents were present and shared their assessments of the current situation. Cllr Franks reiterated the Clerk's report and noted that, separate to ASB issues, stakeholders reviewing the causeway and Lakes had raised concerns regarding road safety and environmental impacts. Consequently, WCC is considering a Temporary Traffic Order and a public consultation on using the causeway as a pedestrian space. Following questions regarding the Parish Council's stance, it was agreed that further information is required from WCC before a formal resolution can be made.

11.2 Road Safety and Speeding Committee

Awaiting response from Highways engineers regarding Well Lane.

11.3 Footpath Lighting Working Party

An update was received on the outstanding Footpath Lighting Works in the Parish, with a number of outstanding jobs being completed.

04/26/12 Tanworth in Arden War Memorial

The following quotes were received from Stonemasons, both received recommendation for previous restoration of local war memorials.

Quote A: *To carry out the above noted work being the restoration of material, to the re-pointing of the three bases, and the re-enamelling of the lettering.* £4,571.20 (VAT £914.24) Total £5,485.44 Plus scaffolding at cost.

Quote B: *To cut out and repoint deteriorated joints after cleaning, to clean the memorial and surrounding pavement, to supply a tower scaffold and to sharpen lettering, re-painting letters in one shot paint. All materials and labour supplied, debris and spoil removed.* £3,637.00 (VAT £727.40) Total £4,365.40

RESOLVED It was proposed that the Parish Council accept Quote B to restore the War Memorial in Tanworth in Arden. This was seconded and all were in favour

04/26/13 Items for future agenda.

None received.

04/26/14 RESOLVED It was proposed that a resolution be made to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting due to the confidential business to be discussed (Public Bodies [Admission to Meetings] Act 1960). This was seconded and all were in favour.

Members of the Publics including District Cllr Organ left the meeting.

04/26/15 Staffing Update

An update was given on the status of the Park Keeper Vacancy. There has been some interest in the position. It was agreed that the deadline for applications for the position would be Friday 15th May 2026.

04/26/16 To note date, place & time of next meeting.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be the Annual General Meeting of the Council and will take place on Thursday 21st May 2026 at Tanworth Village Hall, 19:00.

The Chair closed the meeting at 20:29.

Signed by the Chair at the meeting held on the 21/05/2026

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Payments List - April 2026

Bank Balances (as of 1/4/26)	Amount	
Unity Trust Deposit	£	187,164.55
Unity Trust Current	£	4,113.06
Totals	£	191,277.61

Income		
Unity Trust Bank	£1,002.36	Credit Interest

Internal Transfer required this month - £10,000

Authority to pay	Cost Code	Net Amount	VAT	Total	Invoice No	Payment Type	Description
BT	6a	34.66	6.93	41.59	M021	DD	Phone/Broadband
Giff Gaff	6a	5.00	1.00	6.00	-	MPC	Mobile Phone
Microsft	6b	83.00	16.60	99.60	Apr-26	MPC	Office 365 Licence
Direct Copiers	8	2.96	0.59	3.55	140581	DD	Copier charges
Direct Copiers	8	78.00	15.60	93.60	140520	DD	Copier Hire
Lloyds Multipay	9	3.00	-	3.00	-	MPC	Card Charges
Unity Trust Bank	9	10.30	-	10.30	144	DD	Bank Charges
Earlswood Village Hall	12	25.00	-	25.00	1500/04/26	FPS	Meeting Hire
WALC	14	947.00	134.00	1081.00	1868	FPS	Annual Fees
Npower	23	323.41	16.17	339.58	IN15271453	DD	Footpath Lighting
Tanworth PCC	30	125.00	-	125.00	-	FPS	Volunteer Donation
Fortress	35	74.28	14.86	89.14	SI269543	DD	Waste Collection
E Farrell	36	15.00		15.00	-	FPS	Office Cleaning
		1,726.61	**205.75**	**1,932.36**			

Confidential Payments							
		4,182.21	**0.00**	**4,182.21**			

TOTAL PAYMENTS	**5,908.82**	**205.75**	**6,114.57**