



**COMBERTON
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Minutes of the February 2026, full council meeting of the Parish Council, held at the Comberton Village Hall, Wednesday 14th February 2026, at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Martin, Cllr Miles, Cllr Moffat, Cllr Marshall, Cllr Edwards, Cllr Chilvers, Cllr Evanson, Cllr Bottrill, Cllr Michel

Meeting opened at: 7:30pm

Members of the public: 7

Jessie Brewer

Jessie Brewer - Clerk and Proper Officer

MINUTES

24-25/159 Chair's welcome - (1 minute)

24-25/160 To receive apologies for absence – (1 minute)

Cllrs Page and Banks sent their apologies. Cllr Martin proposed that these were accepted, Cllr Marshall seconded and all were in favour.

24-25/161 To receive declarations of interests from councillors on items on the agenda – (2 minutes)

It was noted that Cllr Evanson declared an interest for a planning matter during the planning meeting.

24-25/162 County and District Councillor reports – (5 minutes)

None received.

24-25/163 Public participation – (15 minutes)

At the close of this item, members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairperson. This is limited to 3 minutes per speaker.

A resident on Hillfield Road raised concerns about a neighbour's tree and bush, as falling fruit and leaves are causing issues to their land.

Another resident requested a bench to be installed on the corner of Kentings and West Street.

A resident also expressed concerns regarding the Greenway applications on Long Road.

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The bowls Club also attended to thank the Parish Council for their donation towards essential repairs.

24-25/164 Approve minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2026 - (1 minute)

Cllr Michel proposed that these were approved, Cllr Chilvers seconded and all were in favour. Cllrs Martin and Evanson abstained due to absence.

24-25/165 Matters arising (for information only) – (5 minutes)

None.

24-25/166 Planning matters – (5 minutes)

It was reported that two planning applications were considered, and they were both were supported.

166.1. 62-64 Barton Road update

The Police, Envirocrime, the Badgers Trust, and South Cambridgeshire District Council have all been informed. The Police are currently investigating the matter and will provide an update in due course.

24-25/167 Finance, procedure and administration – (5 minutes)

167.1. To approve payments as listed:

Cllr Martin proposed that the payments were approved. Cllr Michel seconded this and all were in favour.

Recipient	Description	Total
Staff salaries	Feb-26	£1,861.53
PAYE & NI	Feb-26	£401.43
Simple Solutions	Payroll - Feb 26	£25.00
Three	Clerk phone	£10.00
County Broadband	Pavilion internet	£28.99
Mick George	Skip hire	£276.99
SLCC	Membership - annual	£200.00
Source for Business	Pavilion water	£197.57
Scribe	Finance package	£42.00
Canva	Monthly membership	£13.00
EON	Pavilion electricity - November - Jan 26	£275.49
HRC Legal	Deed variation S106 money	£1,242.60

167.2. To approve and sign the bank reconciliations for January 2026

Cllrs Martin and Edwards signed and approved the bank reconciliation.

24-25/168 To reconsider the siting of the village noticeboard

Cllr Moffat proposed that the noticeboard be placed in its original location, near the village pump. Cllr Edwards seconded the proposal, and it was unanimously approved.

24-25/169 To receive reports and updates from working groups and liaison managers for information:

- a) Transport Working Group – (5 minutes)
 - i. Greenways update

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The Parish Council is aware that a planning application has been submitted for the Comberton Greenway but, as it has not yet been validated, the application is not yet available for review and we do not have access to any information. It was noted that it took over two months for the Barton Greenway application to be validated and, over a year after the planning application was made, it has yet to be decided upon.

The Parish Council discussed organising a public meeting to provide information to residents about the Comberton Greenway, especially the section on Long Road. Cllr Michel will contact the Greenway team to that end.

It was also noted that double yellow lines have been installed in front of CVC, and the yellow line in front of second layby on South Street, has been removed to create more parking spaces.

b) Recreation & Pavilion Working Group – (10 minutes)

i. To receive an update from the pavilion meeting

It was agreed to adopt a dual-track approach: continue operating the current pavilion while making minor updates. It was noted that the pavilion is currently running at a deficit.

Funding is also being investigated for a new pavilion.

ii. To consider quotes for tennis courts fencing replacement

It was noted that only received one quote and two more to come. Will be reviewed when the council receive three.

The MUGA is scheduled to be installed by May/June this year. It will be located on the current skatepark site, which will be removed.

c) Finance Working Group – (10 minutes)

No update.

d) HR Working Group – (2 minutes)

Noted that the Clerks appraisal needs to be done.

e) Sewage – (4 minutes)

Cllr Moffat has been attending the monthly meetings with South Cambridge District Council and Anglian Water.

f) Comberton Village College – (2 minutes)

No update.

g) Meridian Primary School – (2 minutes)

No update.

h) Comberton Playgroup – (2 minutes)

Cllr Evanson is due to catch up with them regarding the donation to the doors.

i) Comberton Village Hall – (2 minutes)

Cllr Banks was absent, so will give an update next month.

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j) Police Liaison – (2 minutes)

It was noted that Cllr Miles has been in touch with the Police regarding the canisters that were found in Watts Woods.

k) EWR – (5 minutes)

- i. To consider donating £50 per year to Haslingfield Parish Council for assist with their ongoing costs for hosting EWR meetings.

Cllr Moffat proposed that this was accepted, Cllr Evanson seconded this and all were in favour.

l) Comberton Shed – (5 minutes)

- i. To consider the proposal for bench kits

Cllr Martin proposed that we support this initiative for the next two benches, and that we review this after. Cllr Edwards seconded and all were in favour.

- ii. To consider the request for Comberton Shed to rent out the pavilion Wednesday mornings from 18th March – 22nd April

Cllr Moffat proposed that the application be approved with the minimum charge applied. Cllr Marshall seconded the proposal. The motion was carried, with all councillors in favour except Cllr Edwards, who voted against.

m) Natural Environment Committee – (5 minutes)

No meeting was held in February; the next meeting will take place in March. It was reported that campfires have been occurring in Watts Wood. The cherry tree on South Street has also been vandalised.

It was noted that the NEC has accepted the Wildlife Audit completed by the Nature Steering Group, and it will be published on the website. The Nature Steering Group received sincere thanks for their significant work on this project.

24-25/170 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 11th March 2026

Meeting closed at 8:56pm.