Wardington Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th September 2026 at 7:30pm in the Lady Wardington Room at Wardington Village Hall

Present: Cllr R Jarrett (Chairman), Cllr M Patterson, Cllr M Chivers, Cllr G Page.

In attendance: Clerk, 1 member of the public.

37.Apologies for absence – Apologies received – Cllr Ed Batchelor, and Cllr Nigel Bankes. Apologies accepted – None.

38.Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda – None.

39.Public participation session – A resident advised they are in attendance as they are interested in joining the Parish Council (PC).

40.To approve the minutes of the Parish Council (PC) meeting held on 28th July 2026 - The minutes were proposed, agreed, and duly signed.

41.Outstanding matters/actions from previous meetings

41.1 HS2 update – None.

41.2 Update re concerns raised about the state of the A361 through Wardington – A leak had started again in the road but it has now improved so it is not known if the road has been fixed again or if it stopped by itself. Cllr Chris Brant has requested that Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) clean the silt off the footpath down from Grove Cottage.

42.Play Area

42.1 Update re repairs required in response to the annual play equipment inspection – The gate has been repaired. It was agreed that some ground anchors should be purchased to help refix the surface mats. **Cllr Patterson to order the ground anchors.**

43.Planning applications received

26/01819/F and 26/01820/LB - Wardington Manor, Thorpe Road, Wardington. Variation of Condition 2 (plans) of 24/01759/F - To introduce AC to Stable Loft and adjust the main vehicular gate. No objection. *(Response made using delegated powers).*

26/01867/TCA - Simcoes Farm, Thorpe Road, Wardington. T1 - Conifer hedge - approximately 20 metres long and 4 metres high and 3 metres wide - removal to allow for stone wall replacement. T2, T3, T4 - Small conifers (x3) along boundary of property and foot path – removal. T5-T34 (approximately 35) - Sycamore trees - previously coppiced - removal and poison to stop regrowth. T35 - Photinia (Red Robin) hedge - facing up and shaping into hedge - Amount to be removed: 2-3 foot off the top and 1 foot off the side to get it into a more square shape. No objection. *(Response made using delegated powers).* APPROVED.

26/02005/TCA - 1 Manor Cottages, Thorpe Road, Wardington. T1 Oak – remove. No representation made.

26/02026/LB – Georgian Wing, Williamscot House, Street from centre to North West, Williamscot. Installation of lift. No objection.

26/02194/MA56 – Coton Lodge, Wardington. Change of Use from commercial (Use Class E) to residential (Use Class C3) and conversion of Units 1 and 2 to create 2 No dwellings. No objection.

26/02198/TCA – Buttercup Barn, Banbury Road through Wardington, Wardington. T1 - Common Lime - Reduce height by approximately 25% to match existing height of secondary stem. Cut back clients side by approximately 3ft to a suitable secondary growth point. Remove major deadwood over 50mm throughout canopy and carry out an aerial inspection. No objection.

44.Planning decisions received – None

45.Finance

45.1 To note the bank balances and cashbook balances as at 02.09.2026 – Noted.

Bank balances

PC Current	£242.70
PC Savings	£25,615.33
Total	**£25,858.03**

	WPC Main	**Williamscot**	**Total**
Cashbook balances as at 02.09.2026	£17,099.75	£8,758.28	**£25,858.03**

45.2 To note and approve payment of the following invoices already paid using delegated powers: Approved.

28.07.26	Parish Magazine Printing	Warbler August edition	£505.15
28.07.26	NR Prickett	Grass cutting 16th and 30th June	£948.00
31.07.26	Unity Bank	Account fee	£7.00
27.08.26	Parish Online	Website - 1 year	£378.00
27.08.26	Kirsty Buttle	Salary and mileage Aug	£434.77
27.08.26	HMRC	Tax & NI Aug	£121.78
28.08.26	NEST	Pension Aug	£20.00
31.08.26	Unity Bank	Account fee	£7.00

45.3 To note the following receipts: Noted.

13.08.26	OCC	Grass cutting grant	£867.56

46.Information exchange – The gravel on the drive at Manor Cottages is now working its way down to the drain on the road. It was agreed that this is the kind of thing that should be reported on Fixmystreet. The Clerk has put together a document to advise residents who they should report different types of concerns to. The PC agreed this should be published on the website, on Facebook, and in the Warbler, with the addition of a request for residents to cut back vegetation that is encroaching on footpaths and roads outside their properties to go on Facebook and in The Warbler. OCC have approved a reduction to the Speed limit on the A361. The white posts in Mount Pleasant have been knocked down again and now the grass is starting to recede due to passing traffic. **Replacement of posts to go on next agenda.** There have been some emails between local parishes about the Quiet Lanes Scheme in Oxfordshire – whilst there aren't any Quiet Lanes currently planned for Wardington, the Chairman agreed that he will

attend the next meeting about Quiet Lanes to understand more about what they are and to consider if the PC should consider making any response to any consultations on it.

Meeting closed @ 8:40pm

Date of next meeting – 20th October 2026

Signed…….. Date……