

**Nettleton Parish Council**  
**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 23 September 2025 at 7.00pm**  
**Nettleton Village Hall, Moortown Road, Nettleton, LN7 6AA**

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**Clerk:** Tony Shaw

**Present:** Councillors Fulton (Chair), Dawon (Vice-chair) and Bottrill

**Attending:** District Councillor Tom Smith, No members of the public

**Open Forum**

District Councillor Smith spoke about the Local Government Review. Likely timescale for implementation is 2 to 3 years.

**1. To receive apologies from any members unable to attend the meeting**

Apologies received from Councillor Connolly.

**2. To receive Declarations of Interest in any agenda items below and record any dispensations**

None.

**3. To adopt the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 15 July 2025**

It was **resolved** to adopt the minutes and they were signed by the Chair.

**4. To receive a Clerk's Report on any matters arising since the last meeting**

**a) Strimming of the Marris grave**

The grass contractor has strimmed the overgrown grave.

**Action:** Clerk to contact the contractor for advice on how often it needs strimming.

**b) Stagecoach and WLDC Asset enquiries**

Stagecoach replied to confirm the wooden bus shelter on the A46 is not their asset.

WLDC replied to confirm the footbridge and boardwalk on the Viking Way are not their assets.

**Action:** Clerk to contact Lincolnshire County Council to see whether the footbridge and boardwalk belong to them.

**c) Changes to the Play Park gates**

The double gates have been relocated and a new single gate has been installed. The single gate complies with regulations regarding self-closing and safety gaps.

**5. Finance**

**a) To note any income received since the meeting on 15 July 2025**

There has been no income.

**b) To ratify any payments made since the meeting on 15 July 2025**

It was **resolved** to ratify the following payments:

Bank Date	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
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29/07/25	Antony Shaw	Salary	428.01		428.01
29/07/25	Antony Shaw	WFH Allowance	26.00		26.00
29/07/25	Antony Shaw	Mileage	14.58		14.58
31/07/25	SLCC	CiLCA Registration for Clerk	225.00		225.00
31/07/25	Unity Trust Bank	Service Charge	6.00		6.00
31/08/25	Unity Trust Bank	Service Charge	6.00		6.00
05/09/25	AJ Williams	Grass Cutting	775.00	155.00	930.00
05/09/25	Antony Shaw	Salary	400.53		400.53
05/09/25	Antony Shaw	WFH Allowance	26.00		26.00
05/09/25	Antony Shaw	Mileage	29.16		29.16

**c) To approve a schedule of payments**

It was **resolved** to approve the following payments:

Invoice Date	Supplier	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
30/08/25	AJ Williams	Grass Cutting	275.00	55.00	330.00
15/09/25	Hodson & Kauss	Play Park Gate Repairs	2,497.00	499.40	2,996.40
28/08/25	Online Playgrounds	Flat Swing Base x 2	104.00	20.80	124.80
25/08/25	Tim Hind	Pirate Ship Repairs	30.00		30.00
03/09/25	Equip (Rasen Ltd)	Padlock for Playing Field Gate	21.67	4.33	26.00
10/09/25	Amazon	Rosettes for Dog Show	57.50		57.50

**d) To receive and approve a bank reconciliation to the end of August 2025**

A bank reconciliation was presented that showed the balance on each of the council's accounts matches the cashbook recording. The account balances at the end of August were:

Account	22 Sep 2025
Unity Current	3,422.13
Unity Reserves	36,699.90
Natwest Reserves	-0.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,121.87</b>

It was **resolved** to approve the bank reconciliation.

**e) To receive a summary of income and expenditure against budget, to the end of August 2025**

Council noted the following reports:

**Income against Budget**

Income Code	Budget	Actual	Variance	Notes
Bank Interest	0.00	230.24	230.24	
CIL	0.00	54.57	54.57	
Council Tax Grant	100.00	100.00	0.00	
LCC Amenity	2,276.96	0.00	-2,276.96	Payment due later in the year
Precept	13,900.00	13,900.00	0.00	
VAT Refund	0.00	2,445.72	2,445.72	
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,276.96</b>	<b>16,730.53</b>	<b>453.57</b>	

**Expenditure against Budget**

Expense Code	Budget	Actual	Variance	Notes
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Admin	100.00	41.99	58.01	
Bank Charges	78.00	30.00	48.00	
Church Clock	200.00	0.00	200.00	
Church Floodlighting	50.00	0.00	50.00	
Defibrillators	250.00	220.00	30.00	
Election Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	
External Auditor	230.00	0.00	230.00	
Grass Cutting	3,800.00	2,766.00	1,034.00	
Hall Hire	100.00	0.00	100.00	
ICO	35.00	47.00	-12.00	
Insurance	920.00	1,042.69	-122.69	
Internal Auditor	120.00	100.00	20.00	
LALC Membership	300.00	0.00	300.00	
Newsletter	700.00	291.15	408.85	
Notice Boards	200.00	0.00	200.00	
Pest Control	100.00	140.00	-40.00	
Play Park	1,000.00	14,137.80	-13,137.80	Path across recreation ground
Remembrance Day	25.00	0.00	25.00	
RoSPA Inspection	120.00	0.00	120.00	
Staff Costs	4,800.00	1,867.98	2,932.02	
Staff Expenses	400.00	232.06	167.94	
Stationery	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Street Furniture	500.00	1,098.00	-598.00	Two picnic tables
Training	150.00	270.00	-120.00	Clerk's CiLCA registration
Trees	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,678.00</b>	<b>22,284.67</b>	<b>-6,606.67</b>	

**6. To discuss September's Dog Show event**

The Dog Show is planned for 2pm on Saturday 27 September. All preparations are complete and judges have been assigned.

**7. To discuss the Asset Register and agree any further actions**

Councillor Fulton has done a village walkaround to note the What3Words location of each asset.

**Action:** Clerk and Councillor Fulton to conduct a further walkaround and note the condition of each asset. This is to inform the budget exercise for 2026/27 by identifying any assets that require maintenance or replacement.

**8. To discuss the idea of an enclosed Dog Exercise Area on the recreation field**

It was **resolved** to defer this item whilst Councillor Dawson speaks to an officer at WLDC about the potential for a bye-law. Feedback will also be sought at the Dog Show.

**9. To receive an update on the next edition of the Nettleton Newsletter**

Councillor Bottrill is producing the Newsletter. The deadline for article contributions is 13 October.

**10. To complete a Cultural Activity Survey, as requested by WLDC**

Councillor Bottrill offered to liaise with community groups and complete the survey

**11. To discuss planning for the 2025/26 Precept**

Council discussed the annual budget process and precept setting.

**Action**: Clerk to prepare a draft 2026/27 budget for discussion at the November meeting.

**Next Meeting**: It was **resolved** to move the meeting from 18 November to **Tuesday 4 November**.