LOWDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Lowdham Parish Council
held at Lowdham Community Building, Off Southwell Road, NG14 7PS
on 05 November 2026 at 6.45pm.

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Members: Cllrs. Derek Brickell (Vice Chair), Gary Clarke, Alison Glazebrook, Paul Harrison (Chair), Caroline Kew; Stephen Platt, Mike Poyzer (L), Alex Stanhope, Robert Turnell, Denise Whitt, Liam Wiltshire

Also present: Clerk Bill Banner; County Councillor Penny Rainbow, District Councillor Tim Wendels.
There were two members of the public

1. Apologies for Absence: Received from Comms Officer Dermot Daly
2. Declarations of Interest: None.
3. Chairman's announcements: Welcomed Penny Rainbow as County Councillor for Southwell Division – including Lowdham
4. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 01 October 2026 were approved
5. Open Session for Members of the Public to Raise Matters of Council Business: None
6. County Council matters: Cllr Penny had no report – having only recently come into office replacing Cllr Roger Jackson
7. District Council matters: District Councillor Tim Wendels reported
   a) Local Government Reorganisation: is on hold – District Council elections will go ahead in May 2027
   b) Willow Farm – The Enforcement Officer is still to make a site visit.
   c) Epperstone Road – Application required for work proposed in building number 2.
   d) Community Grant Scheme – Closing date 27 November 2026
   e) Food waste collection trial to be concluded – request for larger black bin.

8 Amenities and Village:
   a. Flood Alleviation – No report
   b. Roundabout roadworks – traffic flow continues to be poor at peak times.
   c. Lowdham Environment Group update: Repair workshop – no update.
   d. Village Hall Car Parking – no further update. It was noted that a vehicle owned by the pharmacy was damaged when a tree was blown down during a recent storm
   e. Play Area Reports – members were encouraged to read the recommendations in the expected report in order to decide on safety actions arising

9 a Planning Applications:
   26-01527-HOUSE – 27 Lime Gardens – single storey rear extension – Do Not Object

9 b Application subsequently received:
   26-01053–HOUSE – 11 Skithorne Rise – single storey extension – Do Not Object

10. Planning Decisions:26-01251-TPO – 36 Blenheim – Grant tree work - Noted

11. Finance and Assets:
   a. October payments were authorised.
   b. Budget monitoring at half-year – the Clerk referred to the budget to be discussed at the December meeting. - members to consider budget requirements.

c. Trees – the clerk updated the members of the programme of work to be done on trees that were last surveyed over 2 years ago.
d. Scouts – Use of the Community Building – the clerk explained that the current level of booking charges has become out of proportion to the current rate. The clerk was asked to take steps to remedy the situation - it being recognised that it would be in steps over a number of years

12. General Matters:
    a. Consider Memorial – Cllr Roger Jackson, deceased; the suggestion to have bench in memory of Roger was approved and Cllr Alison is to write to clerk on a proposal to locate the bench.
    b. The Parish Magazine format is to change - the new producers no longer require Council Minutes.
    Every alternate month, the Council will be able to do a short summary of important decisions for publication.
    c. Christmas Switch-on 04 December 2026 – Cllr Penny Rainbow to officiate
    d. Vodaphone has advised that the PSTN is to be switched off on 31 January 2027, so affecting Broadband. A new Openreach router and ATA will be provided with instructions to install – Cllr Mike Pyzer agreed to be available to support the caretaker
13. Councillors' Reports: No updates.
14. Reports from Outside Organisations: None.
15. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 03 December 2026

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Signed: Chairman…… Date……..