

ACTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Acton Bridge Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 2nd February 2026 at The Parish Rooms, Acton Bridge.

Meeting started 19.00

2025-6		By:
	Present: Cllr David Charlton (Chair) (DC), Cllr Olivier Van Laer (OVL), Cllr Stephen Golding (SG), Cllr Charles Fifield (CF) In Attendance: Tracey Whitlow – Clerk (TW) 2 Member of the Public (MOP)	
25/167	Apologies for Absence were received & accepted from: Cllr Leigh Wakefield (LW), Cllr Trevor Brocklebank (TB), Cllr Helen Broughton (HB) Ward councillors Lynn Stocks, Phil Rimmer	
25/168	Declarations of Members’ Interests: Cllr Golding & Charlton as members of ABCA committee.	
25/169	Approval of Minutes: The Parish Council Resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th January 2026 as a true and accurate record. Signed by the chair.	
25/170	Public Participation: ABCA member discussed their grant application to an outside body for new fire alarm. CF to liaise with ABCA member regarding the lease.	
25/171	PCSO update: PCSO not present.	
25/172	Ward Councillor Report/s: (unless an agenda item) GE reported on: Christmas Toy Appeal went well. Thanks to all that contributed. OPAL – lunch club will be starting at the Parish Rooms for residents of Acton Bridge, Crowton & Norley.	
25/173	Matters Arising: (from previous minutes if not an agenda item) None	
25/174	Accounts/Financial: 1. Ratify/Approve Receipts & Payments: No payments made other than payroll. 2. Bank reconciliation not prepared, as no bank statement received from Co-operative bank.	
25/175	Clerks Report: Change of dates of meetings due to Bank Holidays: April – Wednesday 8th May – Monday 18th Precept request has been confirmed from CWAC. Bank details amended. Information from CPRE regarding future extension of rail track. Cllr Lynn Stocks is monitoring this.	

25/176	Planning: New applications received/comments ratified for applications received since the last meeting: None Other Notifications Received: None	
25/177	Other Meeting Reports: DC has had a meeting with the Parish Rooms roofing contractor. Work planned for end of February. Hall will be out of use for 5-7 days. CF attended JCC meeting 24/01/26. JCC Policies and constitution to be added to the cemetery section of the website. TW to liaise with JCC clerk.	TW
25/178	Highways & Speeding: 1. Highways Issues: SID's still intermittent. Suggested purchase of extendable cleaning brush for the solar panels. TW to investigate. 2. A49 speed reduction – Has now been completed. Invoice from CWAC still to be received.	TW
25/179	Bank Accounts: The new Barclays Bank accounts are now open. Two signatories still to receive log in information. Once received funds will be transferred and the Co-op bank account closed.	TW
25/180	Village Spring Clean: Discussed. Dates to be confirmed. DC to liaise with ABCA regarding refreshments.	DC
25/181	Co-option: No applications received to date. TW to continue to advertise via Facebook, noticeboard and website. Cllrs to advise MOP's when opportunities arise.	TW
25/182	Stile On FP19 Unfortunately, the landowner does not want to replace the stile with a gate as they feel this would encourage more use of the footpath. Ward councillors had offered funding towards this. TW suggested using the funding to replace another stile. SG to contact landowners of stile at the entrance to FP5 and confirm with TW. Otherwise TW to advise CWAC that the funding is not required.	TW SG
25/183	Items for Next Meeting: Co-option. Roof repairs. ABCA lease.	
25/184	Date of Next Meeting: The next ABPC meeting is planned for Monday 2nd March 2026 at 19:00 at the Parish Rooms.	

The meeting closed at 20.15

Signed:

Date