ACTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Acton Bridge Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 5th October 2026 at The Parish Rooms, Acton Bridge.
Meeting started 19.00

2026-27		By:
	Present: Cllr David Charlton (Chair) (DC), Cllr Trevor Brocklebank (TB), Cllr Charles Fifield (CF), Cllr Leigh Wakefield (LW), Cllr Olivier Van Laer (OVL) **In Attendance:** Tracey Whitlow – Clerk (TW), Ward Cllr Gabrielle Goad (GG)	
26/66	**Apologies for Absence were received & accepted from:** Cllr Helen Broughton (HB), Ward Cllrs Gillian Edwards & Lynn Stocks **Absent:** Cllr Stephen Golding (SG),	
26/67	**Declarations of Members' Interests:** Cllr Charlton & Cllr Fifield as members of ABCA committee.	
26/68	**Approval of Minutes:** The Parish Council **Resolved** to approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 7th September 2026 as a true and accurate record. Signed by the chair.	
26/69	**Public Participation:** No members of the public present	
26/70	**Ward Councillor Report/s:** (unless an agenda item) **GG –** • Local Plan – 2 roadshows have taken place • Planning – reforms to the way 'call-ins' work from 31.10.26 • Old Nursery – continuing to liaise with Enforcement • Weaverham methodist church Memorials – property is for sale – monitoring to ensure the memorials are preserved by any future purchaser. **LS – written report received to cover:** • Local Plan – New one anticipated October 2028 • Temporary Road closure Station Road • Design Code Consultation • Waste Recycling Centres – reminder to register vehicles from 01.10.26. so far 79156 vehicles have registered. • Town & Parish Council (TPS) for the 'Report-it' system report - identifier to allow Town & Parish Councils to identify themselves when using the system.	
26/71	**Matters Arising: (**from previous minutes if not an agenda item) None not covered.	
26/72	**Accounts/Financial:** **Ratify/Approve Receipts & Payments:** 1. R&P list presented and approved. Bank interest received of £56.66. 2. Bank reconciliation of 30.09.26 approved and signed. Appendix 1	

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26/73	**Clerks Report:** None that is not an agenda item.	
26/74	**Planning:** **New applications received/comments ratified for applications received since the last meeting:** **26/02023/FUL** Greenacres Strawberry Lane Acton Bridge Northwich CW8 3QF Proposal: Single storey front and rear extensions. Reviewed via email between meetings under delegated authority to the clerk. **Resolved** No comments **26/01968/FUL** Wall Hill Cottage Strawberry Lane Acton Bridge Northwich CW8 3QF Proposal: Single storey rear extension and canopy porch to front elevation. Reviewed via email between meetings under delegated authority to the clerk. **Resolved** No comments **Other Notifications Received:** None received.	
26/75	**Other Meeting Reports:** DC & CF attended the ABCA meeting. DC & CF attended the Gorstage Cemetery Meeting. Increased fees approved. Clerks salary now to come from the 3 parishes based on the band D property ratio equivalent of that year, as opposed to historic data.	
26/76	**Highways & Speeding:** Contribution to Weaverham PC for the proposed work to the service road at the parade of shops on Northwich Road, as residents from Acton Bridge do regularly use this. The cost has been advised at £50K. Proposed contribution, if required £500. Add to next agenda for agreement.	
26/77	**Co-option:** No applicants	
26/78	**Policy Review:** 1. **Resolved** to re-adopt. Freedom of Information, Publication Scheme, Co-option, Complaints, IT, Document Retention, Data Protection, Equality, and H&S Policy. Risk Management and Grievance policy deferred to November 2. Policy Schedule – deferred until November. 3. Working party of DC, TB & LW to look at policies in general, with the view of condensing.	
26/79	**Building Regs:** TW had no success in securing a lower PC cost for the Building Regs for the parish rooms roof. Cost is £418.00 + VAT.	
26/80	**Items for Next Meeting:** Policy Review & schedule. Budget.	
26/81	**Date of Next Meeting:** The next ABPC meeting is planned for **Monday 2nd November 2026, at 19:00 at** the Parish Rooms.	

The meeting closed at 20.30

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Signed: Date

Appendix 1

BANK RECONCILIATION	**30.09.26**
Barclays Current a/c	£600.78
Barclays Deposit a/c	£21,114.82
Total	**£21,715.60**
CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION	
B/F Barclays Current a/c	*£3,857.28*
B/F Barclays Savings a/c	*£18,500.00*
Total B/F 01.04.25	**£22,357.28**
Receipts to date	£12,612.00
Expenditure to date	£13,253.68
Balance	**£21,715.60**

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