

HOLMESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 July 2026
At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillors Mr P Reaney (Chairman), Mr B Hoare, Mrs K Marples, Mr T Marples, Mr B Wheat

Also Present: Mrs E Boswell – Clerk to the Council and Responsible Financial Officer,

28/26-27 To receive apologies for absence

Councillors Mrs H Stuart-Bamford, Mrs S Reaney and Mr W Rosser.

29/26-27 Councillor Vacancy

An interested party has been invited to attend the September Meeting.

30/26-27 Declaration of members' interests on agenda items

None

Dispensations on member's interests on agenda items

None

31/26-27 Public Speaking

(a) Members of the public

None

(b) Police Report / District Councillor / County Councillor

The written police report includes five crimes, most connected with an ongoing issue. and not of cause for concern to the general public.

Graffiti vandalism has occurred on Main Road including the Notice Board on the corner of Woodside Avenue and The Crescent, this has been reported and a crime number obtained.

Resolved: To post on Facebook for anyone with information to contact us or the police with information.

32/26-27 Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 June 2026

Resolved: To approve the Minutes for signature by the Chairman.

33/26-27 Planning

Applications Received

25/00128/FL – Cordwell Barn, Horsleygate Lane, Holmesfield – Demolition of existing barn and erection of one single storey dwelling with attached garage, parking and amenity Areas, and a private drainage system (Conservation Area) (Setting of a listed building) (Amended Plans) (Further Amended Plans)

Resolved: To again raise concerns per the comments made in April and December 2025 that the amended application is still to demolish rather than convert an existing barn. It is objected to the application being in the greenbelt, conservation area and within the setting of a listed building.

26/00398/FL – Fanshawe Gate Barn, Fanshaw Gate Lane, Holmesfield – Installation of photovoltaic panels on the roof of the existing agricultural building (Conservation Area - (Affecting the Setting of a Listed Building) (Affecting a public right of way)

Resolved: To raise no objection.

26/00426/FLH – One Ash Farm, Cowley Lane, Holmesfield – Demolition of conservatory and construction of a single storey extension.

Resolved: To raise no objection.

Decisions

No Decisions received.

34/26-27 Councillors' Reports

(a) Village Society / Other Village Matters

Councillor K Marples has met with the Village Society and discussed the activities happening for village week. This year the celebration is 10 days long to include the well dressing, church flower festival, scarecrow competition and cricket match.

The Holmesfield Market Group have asked the Parish Council to submit the objects in the highway form for the Memorial.

The bench formed part of that application.

Resolved: To let the Market Group know that the bench will not be replaced at this time.

Resolved: To offer a site in the Millennium Garden, which would negate the need for permission.

Resolved: If the above is not acceptable to submit the completed application on their behalf and pay the £100.00 fee.

(b) Playground

The call for support for the funding application resulted in 64 likes and a number of positive comments, these have been forwarded to Finding Fitness and an application is in the process of being formulated.

Part of the trim trail has been put to the edge of the play ground, it is thought that this is because it had become rotten. The grounds contractor has been asked to make the area safe.

(c) Road Safety Issues

Councillor T Marples has met with PCSO Jonathan Flowers they are really wanting speed watch data, which can be fed into support for a change to the road layout in the vicinity of the School.

Derbyshire County Council have approved the use of village gateways made locally.

Resolved: Councillor T Marples to obtain the quote/s

Resolved: Clerk to complete an Objects in the Highway form.

(d) Footpaths

The Footpath finger post adjacent to the Millenium Garden requires attention.

Resolved: To re-site in the Millenium Garden so that the old sign can be retained.

It is understood that a number of cars parked on the pavement on the B6054 have received fines.

The hedge under enforcement on Castle Hill has not yet been cut back and is now further blocking access to the pavement.

Resolved: To contact Derbyshire County Council to make them aware.

(e) Newsletter & Website

Two adverts are still outstanding.

Resolved: To send one further request, that if payment is not received within the next 7 days the advert will be removed from the newsletter.

(f) Transport

The overgrowth at the bus stop on Millthorpe Lane has been reported.

(g) Football Pitch

The signed lease has been received from the Football Club.

Resolved: For the Chairman to countersign and for the signed lease to be returned to them

Resolved: To raise the invoice for £200.00

(h) Peak Park

No report

(i) Neighbourhood Watch

No Report

(j) Environment

No Report

(k) Village Hall

The Village Hall sign has been replaced and the shrubbery cut back.

Councillor T Marples has met with Inpost. The Clerk has established that the postal locker requires planning permission, this will cost £309.00.

Resolved: Councillor T Marples to ensure that npost will complete this process, make the payment and also ensure that the fuse board in the Village Hall is adequate to run the locker.

Some of the Village Hall windows have blown and will require some attention in the future.

Resolved: To obtain quotes for the works

35/26-27 Finance(a) Balances 30 June 2026

Business High Interest Account: £21,699.43; Bonus Saver Account £15,884.75

(b) Income June 2026

Hall Hire	£1882.23
Adverts	£91.67
Footpaths Grant	£495.00
Interest	£28.22

(c) Expenditure

Waterplus - Water 1/6	DD	£19.09	EDF	–
Electric 3/6	DD	£85.22		
British Gas – Gas 5/6	DD	£11.06		
EDF – Electric 16/6	DD	£112.48		
Pynot Publishing - Newsletter	BACS	£315.00		
Whittington Moor Printing Works Ltd – Newsletter	BACS	£537.00		
Steve Hewins – Grounds Maintenance	BACS	£920.00		
Donation to Footpaths Society	BACS	£495.00		
Wages	BACS	£2150.93		
HMRC – PAYE and NIC	BACS	£355.73		
Nest Pensions – Pension	DD	£81.04		

Resolved: To accept all the above accounts for payment

(d) Cashflow

The Clerk reported that we are currently quarter of the way through the year, 42% of income has been collected and 40% of expenditure (including the above items) has been spent, this includes the considerable works on the gutters and fascia.

36/26-27 Circulars and Notices

Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

- A Start of a New Chapter for DALC

Derbyshire County Council

- Community News from Derbyshire County Council – 8/6, 15/6, 22/6
- Unstoppable Derbyshire programme: Help young people achieve their goals
- Summer 2026 Holiday Activity & Food programme

North-East Derbyshire District Council

- NEDDC Local Plan focus group invite

Peak Park Parishes Forum

- Minutes of Peak District Parishes Forum

Rural Action Derbyshire

- Rural Domestic Abuse in the Workplace Conference

Severn Trent

- Hathersage to Worksop Pipeline

The meeting from June as postponed to 21 July 2026

37/26-27 Information

Councillor T Marples asked for further grounds maintenance quotes to be obtained.

Councillor T Marples suggested that the Parish Council should conduct some outreach work including meeting with local businesses and asking for donations with local events and projects.

38/26-27 Date of Next Meetings

Wednesday 9 September 2026

The meeting closed at 8.34pm

Chairman.....9 September 2026