Coddington Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 4th September 2025 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre

Present: Cllr Mosedale (Vice Chair) Cllrs Allen, Armstrong, Hudson, Jarvis, O'Donnell

Parrett and Quayle
Dawn Hockenhull (Clerk)

County Councillor Barlow and District Councillor Lee

25-81 To allow for public participation (limited to 15 minutes).

There were no members of the public present.

25-82 To receive updates from County and District Councillors.

Co Cllr Barlow is to meet with Via to inspect roads and footpaths around Coddington and is liaising with Jeremy Fieldsend from Tritax regarding a petition for reduction in the speed limit through the village to 30mph.

Emma Oldham had recently resigned as a District Councillor and Dist Cllr Lee thanked her for all her hard work. He requested support from the Parish Council for land at Stirling Drive to be made into a community garden and Cllrs agreed that the Clerk would again advise the District Council that they had no objection to the idea. He advised the Parish Council to call 999 with any sightings of dangerous driving with horse and carts or on motorbikes. Vandalism of a seat and chipping away at boulders, both at Thorpe Oaks was reported to him by Cllr Parrett.

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25-83 To consider any apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Ayers and Thompson and were accepted by the Parish Council.

25-84 To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed.

Cllr Allen declared an interest in item 25-86b – planning application 23/02281/OUTM Land at Godfrey Drive, Winthorpe. Cllr Parrett declared an interest in item 25-86d – planning application 25/00980/FUL Mill View, 39 Newark Road, Coddington.

25-85 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd July 2025.

Proposed by Cllr Parrett, seconded by Cllr Jarvis the minutes of the meeting were unanimously agreed and signed by the Vice Chair.

25-86 Planning and Consultations

a. **24/02218/OUTM** Land South of Sleaford Road, Coddington – Development of site for distribution uses (Use Class B8) including ancillary offices and associated works including access, car parking and landscaping.

Following a positive meeting between Tritax representatives and ClIr Ayers, the Parish Council agreed to rewrite the objections to the application with a view to agreeing the updated objections at the next Parish Council meeting.

 b. 23/02281/OUTM Land at Godfrey Drive, Winthorpe – Amended planning application consultation – diversion of existing footpath and creation of new access into Newark Showground.

Cllr Allen had declared an interest and left the meeting whilst discussions took place.

There were no objections.

Cllr Allen rejoined the meeting.

- c. 25/01250/TWCA Old Vicarage, 1 Chapel Lane, Coddington Conifers T1, T2 & T3 to cut back overhanging branches to allow light.
 Noted.
- d. **25/00980/FUL** Mill View, 39 Newark Road, Coddington Erection of 1 dwelling.

Cllr Parrett had declared an interest and left the meeting whilst discussions took place.

The Parish Council objections of 14th July 2025 remain unchanged.

Cllr Parrett rejoined the meeting.

- e. **25/01287/HOUSE** Sulney Lodge, 36 Newark Road, Coddington Porch extension. There were no objections.
- f. Proposed solar farm on land to the south of Sleaford Road/A17 updated layout. Noted.
- g. Local Government Reorganisation survey. No action required.

25-87 Administration

a. To review the list of projects to be completed at the Community Centre.
Cllr Quayle confirmed that the upgrades of the wastewater system and heating system had commenced.

b. To consider new defibrillators.

Funding pledged by Tritax for two new defibrillators. Councillors agreed that one should be sited in the Thorpe Oaks area and one near The Green. Actual sites to be confirmed. The Clerk to contact Newark Community First Aid and Community Heartbeat Trust to establish costs.

c. To consider a new IT policy.

A basic IT policy had been circulated. The Clerk to review and adapt as necessary before review by the Parish Council.

d. To consider a cover for the village sign.

Deferred until the next Parish Council meeting.

e. To consider planting of wildflowers along verges.

Deferred until the next Parish Council meeting.

f. To consider adding verges on C208 to grass cutting schedule.

Cllrs resolved that the verges from the Millennium Garden to the junction with Main Street along the C208 would not be added to the grass cutting schedule.

g. To consider boundary issues at the allotments.

The boundary issues on one allotment had not been resolved despite three letters to the allotment holder. Cllrs resolved to evict the allotment holder.

h. To consider water usage at the allotments.

The Clerk reported that the budget for water supply at the allotments had already been exceeded with a further 6 months of usage remaining. Cllr Jarvis to take a reading and then switch off the supply for a few days. A further reading to be taken at that time to check for leakage.

i. To consider a structure request at the allotments.

No longer required.

j. To discuss arrangements for Carols Round The Tree event.

The Clerk to contact Gray's Timber for a tree. Cllr Mosedale to check a proposed date of 10th December with the School.

k. To consider an offer from Via East Midlands for bags of salt.

It was resolved to order the 5 free bags of salt.

25-88 Finance

Noted.

a. To receive and accept accounts for July and August 2025.

Proposed by Cllr Hudson, seconded by Cllr Quayle, the accounts for July and August 2025 were approved and signed by the Vice Chair.

b. To approve expenditure at 4th September 2025.

Proposed by Cllr Parrett, seconded by Cllr O'Donnell, the following payments were approved:

HMRC PAYE (Apr-Jun 2025)	276.40
HMRC Employer's NIC	92.79
Printer Ink (Jul & Aug)	12.98
Laminator Pouches	5.60
D Lyne – Verges (20/6/25)	660.00
Jubilee Room Hire (Jun & Jul 2025)	48.00
Waterplus (Allotments)	139.14
Willsons – CVN	393.75

c. To agree Assertion 10 Compliance training for the Clerk at a cost of £10.

Proposed by Cllr Armstrong, seconded by Cllr Mosedale training was agreed for the Clerk.

d. To consider a donation for fencing repairs at the Village Hall.

The Clerk to request financial accounts for the Village Hall and defer until next Parish Council meeting.

e. To note that the Clerk's pay increase for 2025-26 has been set at £0.50 per hour and is back dated to 1st April 2025.

25-89 Reports and Correspondence

- a. To receive a report on the Link Community Group meeting. Cllr Thompson had attended the meeting and had circulated a report. Issues brought to the attention of the District Council included trip hazards around the Green, inconvenient and dangerous siting of bins and illegally parked vehicles on the access road to the Green. There had also been complaints about a tyre swing on the Green but that had already been removed.
- b. To receive a report on the Newark Healthcare Consultative Group meeting.

 Cllr Jarvis reported that the meeting included a report from Sherwood Forest

 Hospitals Trust. There was also a presentation from Nottinghamshire County Council regarding community and voluntary transport schemes. Volunteers for the schemes are urgently required.
- c. To receive a report on the Village Hall Charity Trust Commission meeting.

 Cllr O'Donnell had attended the meeting. He praised the dedication of the Village

 Hall Committee and highlighted their need to keep raising funds for the upkeep of
 the 70+ year old building.
- d. Email from Stagecoach East Midlands relating to parking issues at Morgans Close.

 The Clerk to ask Stagecoach where in particular the issues are. Suggestions of letters to residents and notices in the village newsletter/noticeboards could then be considered.

25-90 To receive items for immediate note or the next agenda.

Cllr Quayle had attended the Coddington Community Association meeting. He
reported that numbers for badminton had dropped and that there had been an
increase in numbers for table tennis. The Newark and District u3a Table Tennis
Group have recently relocated to the Community Centre and have had to
purchase two new table tennis tables at a cost of £850. They are looking for
funding to help with the cost. The CCA also requested financial support for paint
for the lower half of the sports hall to enable table tennis balls to be more visible.
Co Cllr Barlow and Dist Cllr Lee might be able to support both from the Councillor
Divisional Fund.

25-91 Date and time of the next meeting:

Thursday 9th October 2025 at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. *Please note change of date for next meeting.*

The meeting closed at 9.25pm