

Carrington Parish Council
Minutes Parish Council Meeting

Date: Thursday 15th January 2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Venue: St Marys Church, Partington

The following Councillors in attendance of the Parish Council meeting as detailed above:

Cllr. Elizabeth Harvey (LH) (Chair), Sara Hughes (SH), Clare Robinson (CR), Thomas Field (TF)
J. Meaney (JM), F, Fosbrook (FF).

- Also in attendance: Sharon Booth, Locum Clerk.
- Guests: 1 in attendance
- Member of Public (MOP): 2 in attendance.

1. Chair to open the meeting and accept apologies and any Declarations of Interest

- The Chair opened the meeting at 18:32 and general housekeeping read out .

1.1 Apologies

1.1.1 M Sterling (MS)

1.1.2 O. Shorinwa (OS)

- **Resolved** that the apologies were accepted.

1.2 Declaration of Interest

- **Resolved:** No declarations of interest were made.

2. Invited Guests

2.1 Venture Out

- The invited guest provided an overview of his business and its involvement with the Mersey Valley Way and the Mersey Rivers Trust. He advised that the business is based in Stockport, on the banks of the River Mersey, and is focused on promoting outdoor and adventurous activities across Greater Manchester. Established in 2009, the organisation provides canoe trips on the River Mersey, outdoor activity days for schools, multi-activity holiday clubs, and birthday activities for children and families. It was further noted that the business works with a wide range of groups, including corporate organisations, and engages with large numbers of young people through local youth organisations.

2.1.1 After the presentation, councillors and members of the public were invited to asked questions:

1. **LH** asked whether a jetty would be provided?
A: The guest advised that this is currently being explored in line with proposals promoted by Paddle UK It was noted that increased activity could result in additional vehicle movements.
2. **SH** asked whether the pathway would be cleared to the Jetty?
3. **TF** asked how many canoes would be in operation and highlighted that vehicle access is likely to increase during summer events?
4. **CR** raised concerns regarding the impact on access and the number of organisations using the facility, noting that accessible parking provision would be required.
5. **FF** asked whether any government funding opportunities were available to support the proposals.

POR: The Chair expressed thanks to the representative for attending and presenting to the Council. There were no further questions.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the Previous Meetings

3.1.1 Minutes of the Bi-monthly Parish council meeting held on 13th November 2025 [P16LC to P20LC]

- **Proposed by:** SH **Seconded by:** LH

3.1.2 Matters arising.

- **Resolved:** There were no other matters arising from the above set of minutes.

4. Open Forum

4.1 Two members of the public were in attendance.

4.1.1 MOP1 Raised concerns regarding misleading speed limit signage near the traffic lights adjacent to Ackers Lane. It was agreed the signage should be reviewed and relocated.

4.2 The Open Forum closed at **6.50 pm**.

5. Committees and Working Groups – Updates and Action Progress Approval

5.1 Updates and approvals required for the following groups:

POR: *To agree a protocol allowing the Chair to make a decision where no Councillor responses are received within a specified deadline.*

5.1.1 Wood Trust / Environmental Initiatives (Cllr S. Hughes, SH)

- SH reported that the planting of 105 saplings will take place on Wednesday 28 January between 9.00 am and 9.30 am, supported by Wain Homes and other volunteers. Councillors and residents were encouraged to attend. The saplings will be planted in clusters and will include a variety of species, including cherry, birch, rowan, hawthorn, and dogwood. **Ongoing**

5.1.2 St George's Church

- It was noted that cleaning will resume in March. A response is awaited from a contractor regarding tree and gutter maintenance. The possibility of holding an Easter event at St George's Church was discussed. **Update, and action as required.**

5.1.3 Park, Field, Green, and Open Spaces

- **CR** reported that Planning has advised her to resend the relevant emails to Caroline Wright. It was noted that the original request included the installation of benches and dog bins across the wider village.

POR: The Clerk advised that this should be incorporated within the planning permission email for memorial benches to ensure full coverage.

The planting of Christmas trees in various locations around the village was discussed.

POR: It was **proposed in principle** to purchase one Christmas tree for the Harcon area and two trees for the field entrances. In addition, the planting of ornamental fruit trees and the sponsoring of poppies was discussed.

5.1.4 Parish Notice Boards

- Quotations will be collated for the purchase and installation of three new notice boards, including proposed locations. **Ongoing**

5.1.5 Parish Signage

- Proposal to purchase and install of new 'Welcome to Carrington Signs.' **Ongoing**

5.2 Christmas Event debrief

5.2.1 The Christmas event was reported as successful and well attended. Councillors agreed that there is scope to grow the event in future years. It was agreed that Remembrance Day and Christmas event will be added as a standing item on future agendas. Councillors expressed a desire to expand the coverage of Santa visit to a wider area next year and to continue building on the success of the event.

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The importance of ensuring letters are sent to local businesses and arranging Santa visit for next year was noted.

The Carol Service at St George's Church was also reported as successful.

Action: Add Remembrance day and Christmas event to the next agenda.

5.3 Purchase of Equipment:

5.3.1 Resolved that there was nothing proposed for purchase at this meeting.

5.4. Monthly Recurring Reports set aside for future approval (as Needed)

5.4.1 **Purpose:** A motion for approval of set aside items as detailed below, should they require a formal endorsement or decision.

a. Speed Indicator Signs

Re-establish communication with Trafford Council regarding installation and maintenance.

Status: Deferred

b. Green Space Planting

Engagement with Highways Authority regarding licensing. Update on Woodland Trust process and planting timeline provided.

Status: Ongoing

c. Corporate Engagement – Field Vision

Formal letter to local companies outlining the Parish vision for the field.

Status: Ongoing

d. Strategic Planning Workshop

Delivery plan workshop to support strategic goal implementation.

Status: Ongoing

e. Gate and Signage

Ordering of new gate and vehicle signage.

Status: Gate to be removed; signage in abeyance

f. Stamford Road Plots

Awaiting response from Trafford Council.

Status: Awaiting response from Trafford Council.

6. Trafford Planning Applications

6.1 To note recent applications received from Trafford Borough Council:

6.1.1 117870/HAZ/25 – Basell Polyolefins UK Ltd, Carrington Works, Isherwood Road, Carrington, Manchester, M31 4AJ

Continuation of Hazardous Substances consent (refs H/HSC/48581 and 83482/HAZ/2014) following a change in control of part of land.

Received: 15th December 2025 | Circulated to Chair: 15th December 2025

6.1.2 117067/FUL/25 – 31 Carrington Lane, Carrington, Manchester, M31 4AB

Respective application for erection of single Storey Porter cabin modular building.

Received: 22nd December 2025 | Circulated to Chair: 22nd December 2025

6.1.3 117800/DEM/25 – The Stables, The Hollies, Carrington, Manchester, M31 4BD

Demolition of existing buildings A to K as shown on the site plan (consultation under schedule 2, part 11 of the town and country planning (General permitted development order) (England) Order 2015. *Received: 22nd December 2025 | Circulated to Chair: 22nd December 2025*

Resolved: That further clarity is required on this application.

Action: CR to submit observations to the Planning department

6.1.4 118033/FUL/25 – Land Between A6144 Manchester Road and A6144 Carrington Lane/Carrington Spur, Carrington.

Construction of a new link road and active travel measures between A6144 Manchester road and A6144 Carrington Lane/Carrington Spur including junction improvements at Manchester Road/A1

Route junction, Isherwood Road/A1 route junction, Carrington Lane junction and Carrington Lane/Bank Lane Carrington Spur junction, realignment of Carrington Lane and Carrington Spur junction, improvements to Isherwood Road and other associated works including earthworks, noise bunds, demolition of structures, attenuation ponds, drainage mitigation and outfalls, landscaping and ecological mitigation.

Received: 19th January 2026 | Circulated to Chair: 19th January 2026

6.1.5 118043/FUL/25 – National rid, Isherwood Road, Carrington, Manchester, M31 4BH

Development of power related infrastructure to deliver a 400kv grid connection bay, comprising busbars, conductors, disconnectors, Circuit breakers, instrumental transformers, surge arrestors, portable relay room, earthing systems, cabling and other associated equipment to complete grid connection between consented Battery Energy Storage System and the National Grid

Received: 19th January 2026 | Circulated to Chair: 19th January 2026

7. Exclusion Resolution

7.1 Resolved: that the chair did not exercise this item due to there being no confidential business.

8. Finance Report and Invoice Approvals

8.1 LH, presented the finance report and requested approval for the following invoices:

- Reserve Account £18,722.21
- Current Account £22,259.28

8.2 **Resolved** that the below payments have been approved for payment.

- Purchase of 2 x stainless steel coffee pots – **£80.00**
- Locum Clerk Salary 12th June 10th July 11th September 13th November 2025 & 15th January 2026.
- Refund to Cllr Harvey for the purchase of Christmas event goods £128.58
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9. Precept Levy 2026–27

9.1 **Resolved;** Councillors noted that Trafford Borough Council has been notified that the Parish Council will not raise the precept for the 2026–27 financial year.

10. Other Business

10.1 Councillors were invited to propose items for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

- **JM** enquired about storage options.
- **TF** Linco land was discussed, and TF requested that the covenants for this area of land be circulated to Councillors.
- **SH** advised she will organise a site walk with Will from Wain Homes.
- **LH** SIDS were discussed as a potential project to be funded through CIL.

10.2 **Resolved** that there was no other business

11. Date of Next Meeting

11.1 The next bimonthly Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday; 12th March 2026 at 6.30PM
The meeting was closed at 20.05pm

11.2 **Annual Meeting:** Thursday, 7 May 2026

Carrington Parish Council Chair initial_____

Minutes 2026-01 prepared by Locum Clerk