



Parish Council

Central Swindon North Parish Council

Pinetrees Community Centre,

The Circle,

SWINDON SN2 1QR

FULL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 28th January 2026 19.00

Present:

Councillors:

Cllr Kevin Small (Chair)
Cllr Paul Park (Vice Chair)
Cllr John Ballman - virtually
Cllr Vanessa Bentley
Cllr Ian Edwards
Cllr Paul Exell
Cllr Muhammad Khan - virtually
Cllr Mick Lucas
Cllr Dave Patey
Cllr Javes Rodrigues
Cllr James Yeowell

Clerk:

Mr Andy Reeves

Officers:

Mr Andrew Briggs
Ms Emma Till - virtually

Member of the Public Present:

Apologies

Cllr Raj Patel

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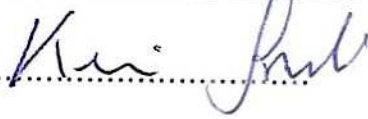
		Action
FC522	Declarations of Interest Cllr Ian Edwards declared an interest in The Library & Leisure Trust. Cllr John Ballman declared an interest in The Library & Leisure Trust, HBuF and RSPB. Cllr Mick Lucas declared an interest in The Library & Leisure Trust. RESOLVED Councillors NOTED the declarations.	
FC523	Public Question Time & Correspondence None	
FC524	Minutes of the Previous Meeting The Chair presented the minutes of the meeting held on the 26th November 2025 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on the 26th November 2025 as a true and accurate record.	
FC525	Environment & Planning Committee The Chair presented the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meetings held on 3rd December 2025, 17th December 2025, 7th January 2026 and the 21st January 2026 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the Environment & Planning Committee meetings held on the 3rd December 2025, 17th December 2025, 7th January 2026 and the 21st January 2026 as a true and accurate record.	
FC526	Finance & General Purposes Committee The Chair presented the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meetings held on the 2nd December 2025 and the 6th January 2026 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Committee meetings held on the 2nd December 2025 and the 6th January 2026 as a true and accurate record.	
FC527	Community Development Committee The Chair presented the minutes of the Community Development Committee meetings held on the 3rd	

	December 2025 and the 7th January 2026 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the Community Development Committee meetings held on the 3rd December 2025 and the 7th January 2026 as a true and accurate record.	
FC528	Leisure & Recreation Committee The Chair presented the minutes of the Leisure & Recreation Committee meetings held on the 4th December 2025 and the 14th January 2026 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the Leisure & Recreation Committee meetings held on the 4th December 2025 and the 14th January 2026 as a true and accurate record.	
FC529	Moredon Sporting Hub Committee The Chair presented the minutes of the Moredon Sporting Hub Committee meeting held on the 19th January 2026 to be approved as a true and accurate record. RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes of the Leisure & Recreation Committee meetings held on the 19th January 2026 as a true and accurate record.	
FC530	26/27 Budget Amendment To REVIEW and APPROVE the amendments to the FGP 06/01/2026 26/27 budget recommendation. Cllr D Patey presented a verbal update of the adjustments made after the FGP 06/01/2026 Committee meeting. Mr A Reeves presented an update from a written report with the amendments required to the budget due to NDR changes. See Appendix 1. RESOLVED to APPROVE the amendments to the FGP 06/01/2026 budget recommendation.	
FC531	26/27 Budget Approval To REVIEW and APPROVE the 26/27 Budget recommendations proposed by the Finance & General Purposes Committee meeting on the 6th January 2026.	

	Cllr K Small presented an update on the 26/27 budget process and the recommendation approved by Councillors at FGP 06/01/2026. Cllr J Rodrigues mentioned the regular increase in staffing costs and the need of the Parish to monitor this. Cllr D Patey noted that some Parish Councils have a much higher percentage cost for staffing, around 60%, but that this was something to monitor. Cllr J Rodrigues mentioned the use of agency costs being something he is still concerned about, but that he understands that there are reasons behind the Parishes use of agency staffing. Cllr K Small explained that agency staffing costs is something the Parish will be reviewing in the future. The FGP recommendation, FGP545, proposed to APPROVE the 26/27 Budget in the enclosed report which will result in a Parish Council Precept of £2,480,172.00, equating to a Band D Council Tax of £247.76, and a 14.99% increase. RESOLVED Councillors APPROVED the proposed 26/27 Budget proposal which will result in a Parish Council Precept of £2,480,172.00, equating to a Band D Council Tax of £247.76, and a 14.99% increase. <i>Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from this item due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely contractual and staffing matters.</i> RESOLVED to APPROVE Under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded from this item due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely contractual and staffing matters.	
FC532	British Cycling Partnership Agreement Closure To REVIEW and APPROVE recommendations. Mr A Reeves presented an update explaining the FGP 06/01/2026 and MSH 19/01/2026 APPROVED the recommendation to end the British Cycling Partnership in March 2026.	

	Councillors discussed the recommendation. RESOLVED to APPROVE ending the British Cycling Partnership in March 2026.	
	Meeting Closed 19:39	

Signed.....



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