



On behalf of

Whitgreave Parish Council

Meeting Minutes

Monday 1st September 2025, 06:30pm

L36/001 Attendance and Apologies

Attendance: Mr Brian Phillips (Chairman), Mr Paul Stubbs (Vice Chairman), Mr Geoff Collier (Councillor), Mrs Cathy Collier (Councillor), Mr Steve Newbold (Councillor), Mr Andrew Mynors (SCC Councillor), Mr Jack Rose (SCC / SBC Councillor), Ms Leah Elston-Thompson (on behalf of Leigh Ingham MP), Mrs Lin Carter and Mr John Carter and Miss Rebeckah Richards (Clerk).

Apologies: None.

L36/002 Approve the minutes from the previous meeting

Agreed and signed.

L36/003 Declaration of Interest

The Clerk declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item L36/012 (planning application 25/40912/FUL) as the current property owner is a close family member.

Mr John Carter and Mrs Lynn Carter, attending as members of the public, declared an interest in agenda item L36/012 (planning application 25/40912/FUL) as the applicant. They provided information during the public participation session and then took no part in the council's discussion or decision-making.

L36/004 Public Participation

No participation from the public on topics not already included in the agenda.

L36/005 Correspondence Received by the Clerk

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had received an email regarding the sad passing of Mr. Gary Cooper, a long-standing resident of the village. The Council wished to record its condolences to Mr. Cooper's family and friends at this difficult time.

L36/006 Financial Accounts

The current balance sheet was made available for all.

L36/007 Update on the purchase and installation of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs), in the village.

The current status of this project, is as follows; suitable devices have been identified, the parish council is aware of the necessary permits and their associated costs, together with the overall project expenses.

Advice has been obtained from Staffordshire County Council, which has temporarily halted progress on the project. The delay is due to a disagreement regarding one of the proposed SID locations. To address this, Mr Andrew Mynors has agreed to visit the village and meet with Mr

Brian Phillips (Chairman) to discuss the location concerns. Following this meeting, he will consult with the Highways Department and provide the parish council with an update on the next steps.

L36/008 Update on the fundraising and purchase of a Defibrillator for the village.

During the recent three-month fundraising campaign, a total of £887 was raised:

- £750 through individual donations
- £137 from the fundraising quiz night, which was split between the Parish Council and Whitgreave Church

A huge thank you to everyone involved who contributed by organising the events and donating.

The cost of the defibrillator is £1799.00, therefore donations are still welcome for anyone who wishes to support this cause further.

Whitgreave Parish Council is pleased to confirm that the defibrillator has been ordered, with a provisional installation date of 9th September. Remaining funds will be supported by Whitgreave Parish Council.

A further fundraising evening is being organised for the beginning of October to coincide with the installation. This event will provide an opportunity to learn how to use the defibrillator and perform CPR, with proceeds going towards the remaining balance of the defibrillator. Full details will be shared via email, the website, and the village notice board in due course.

It has been agreed that a plaque will be displayed on the defibrillator housing, as a thank you to everyone who donated.

L36/009 Future of Whitgreave Church.

The temporary pause, which was agreed with the Archdeacon last year, regarding the closure of the church is coming to an end. The future of Whitgreave Church is still unknown.

The Parish Council has requested Mrs Cathy Collier, also a member of the PCC, to request regular updates to ensure the village is aware of the current circumstances. This information will be issued via email and will be displayed on the website.

L36/010 Update on the village post box

The post box has been reinstalled following its theft but has not yet been commissioned for use. We will update the parish as soon as we have further information.

L36/011 Update on the Pollution in Whitgreave

No further pollution issues have been observed due to the dry summer conditions. Monitoring will continue over the winter period in collaboration with local residents.

L36/012 Planning Applications

There has been one application to consider:

- 25/40912/FUL at Yarlet Gallery, Stone Road, Yarlet – No objections.

L36/013 Any Other Business / Emergency Issues

None.

L36/014 Further Meeting Information

The next meeting will be Monday 1st December 2025 at 06:30pm, at Orchard Cottage, Green Lane, Whitgreave.

Meeting concluded at 20:04pm