

Minutes of the normal meeting of Templeton Community Council

Held on 15th January 2026

Present: Cllrs Jane Ashbridge, Kathrin Williams, Barbara Priest, Jason Jennings, Mark Simpkins, Peter Morgan, Liz Burns, Elwyn Morse. Start time 7.30pm.

- 1) **To accept apologies for absence.** There were no apologies received.
- 2) **To disclose personal and prejudicial interests in the items listed below.** There were no interests declared.
- 3) **Questions from members of the public** regarding items on the agenda not otherwise being covered. There were no questions received in this category.
- 4) **To sign the minutes of the previous meeting.** The minutes of the meeting on 18th December 2025 had been previously circulated. They were agreed as correct, and were signed by the Chairman.
- 5) **To report on matters arising from previous minutes and decide further action as required:**

Play Park update. The Clerk stated that the contractor was currently intending to do the Play Park work in February. The damage to the rear fencing had been reported to Network Rail and on to the relevant contractor, who would be replacing the fence panel. They apologised for causing the damage.

Hall – updates. Several tables had damaged castors, possibly caused by people sitting on them. After discussion it was agreed to seek prices for approximately 6 replacement tables. PAT testing was raised, and it was agreed to get that done as soon as possible. It was agreed that the car park should be closed when the weather was icy for safety reasons.

6) **New items of business:**

Templeton area events for 2026. TCC would be running the Plant Sale this year, which was on 9th May. Whether there would be fireworks and a bonfire in 2026 was still under discussion – the Council would like to, but did have to consider all safety aspects. A social event in the summer was suggested. Other options were discussed including indoor games and activities. The Clerk would put a post out on Facebook asking for ideas and feed back to the Council in the February meeting.

Grit bins. This was discussed and the process for ordering and refilling clarified.

7) **Items of correspondence**

- Notice of firing – Templeton Airfield. This was noted.
- One Voice Wales training. This was noted.
- PCC Pride in Place potential funding. This was noted.
- Local resident query – this was noted – the Clerk was asked to respond.

8) **County Councillor's report.**

Cllr Morse expressed his thanks to PCC Highways department for the enormous amount of work they had done over the last few weeks, particularly keeping the roads as clear as possible despite the snow and rain.

9) Financial statement and bank reconciliation – Council main and reserve accounts.

Bank statement for main account £37,365.25 as at 7-1-26

Reserves account £25,038.25 as of 7-1-26.

Income banked, payments made and income received as per attached bank reconciliation.

Current/anticipated invoices:

HMRC – tax for January

Clerk – salary and expenses for January

HugoFox – website hosting monthly direct debit 11.99

The above expenditure was agreed.

10) Planning.

25/0783/PA. Proposed steel frame shed/building and solar panels, timber frame car port. Fairy Bank Farm, Cold Blow. SA67 8RJ. Application registered 23-12-2025. There were no objections.

11) Councillors' reports and matters for next meeting.

The Clerk was asked to request an update on the bus shelter project from PCC.

It was noted that the Christmas tree needed removing – that would be done as soon as possible. Two damaged or dead trees had been identified – these would be removed.

Concern about dog walkers dumping their dog poo waste in both residential and the School's bins had been raised. The Council agreed this was wrong, and asked that all dog walkers take their dog poo home with them and dispose of it properly.

Two streetlights flickering were reported on the A4115 – these would be reported.

12) Next meeting.

The next normal meeting would take place on Thursday 19th February 2026 starting at 7.30pm.

Cllr Ashbridge then thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.45pm