

**Minutes of Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council held on Monday 2 February 2026 6.30pm at Laneshaw Bridge Primary School, Emmott Lane, Laneshaw Bridge**

**Present**

Cllr Paul White	Cllr Alex Hustwit	Cllr Ken Davies
Cllr Roger Bucknell	Cllr Gaynor Canty	Cllr Amanda Meachin
Cllr Michele Halstead		

Also Present:

Joe Cooney, Parish Clerk  
 Graham Meloy, Village Co-ordinator  
 Cllr David Cockburn-Price, Pendle Borough Council

<b>No</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>
1.	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b></p> <p>Cllr White welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>
2.	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>None all Parish Councillors present.</p>
3.	<p><b>Minutes</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held Monday 5 January 2026.</p>
4.	<p><b>Progress Report</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to receive an update on decisions taken at the meeting held Monday 5 January 2026.</p>
5.	<p><b>Declarations of Interests</b></p> <p>To receive declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.</p> <p>Members are reminded that should you declare a pecuniary interest at a meeting, it is your responsibility to inform the Monitoring Officer.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> there were no declarations of interest under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and the relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 from either Members or Officers.</p>
6.	<p><b>Lancashire County Council Report</b></p>

	No report
7.	<p><b>Pendle Borough Council Report</b></p> <p>Cllr Cockburn-Price provided update on Pendle Borough Council issues. The planning application at Pike Edge Farm was refused permission by Colne &amp; District Area Committee on the grounds it was inappropriate development.</p> <p>The planned PBC elections for 2026 have been postponed by the Government pending the outcome of the Local Government Reorganisation planned to begin in 2027.</p>
8.	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>A member of the public asked if the OAP Christmas Party was going to be opened up to anyone in the village this year.</p> <p>Cllr White, responded that the Events Working Group would be looking at how more of the village can be involved in the Christmas events but no decisions have been taken as of yet.</p>
9.	<p><b>Village Maintenance</b></p> <p>i) To receive an update on the work of the Lengthsman</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to note the Parish Council has been awarded £2,500 from the Motoring Insurance Bureau towards the repairs to the Village Green.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> members requested at least two quotes for the work be obtained ahead of the next Council meeting in February.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to request the quotes are obtained to create a footpath on the playing field and these quotes are added to the next Council meeting in February.</p> <p>ii) To receive an update from the In Bloom Group</p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> to note the village walkabout will be on Sunday 8 February, 1.00pm meeting at the War Memorial.</p>
10.	<p><b>Village Co-Ordinator</b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> no update due to annual leave.</p>
11.	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>i) Bank Reconciliation  <b>RESOLVED</b> to approve the Bank Reconciliations for January 2026.</p>

ii) Councillor Spot Check  
**RESOLVED** to note the spot check has been undertaken by Cllr Davies.

iii) To approve monthly payments

Supplier	Total	Description
Parish Clerk	10.00	MiB Vehicle Insurance Search
Cleanfix	90.00	Toilet Block Water Repair
HMRC	370.00	HMRC Payments
EON	82.26	Electricity Bill
Water Plus	34.41	Water

**RESOLVED** to approve the monthly payments.

iv) Monthly Budget

**RESOLVED** to note the monthly budget update report.

12. **Playground**

To receive an update from the Playground Working Group.

**RESOLVED** to note members have a meeting with a playground specialist on 22 February 2026. The group have set a fundraising target of £200,000.

13. **Communication Working Group**

The working group are focussing on improving communication on newsletter development.

**RESOLVED** to note the January newsletter is ready for distribution.

14. **Councillor Issues**

To bring to the attention of the Parish Clerk, any outstanding issues requiring attention. The Parish Clerk should then pass these onto the relevant authorities for action or add to the agenda for the next meeting.

Deer on the orchard needs to be monitored – Cllr Halstead

Dog Fouling on Playing Field – Cllr Halstead

Picnic Benches – Cllr Halstead

Planter Sponsorship – Cllr Davies

**RESOLVED** to add the above to future agendas when appropriate.

15.	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p><b>The next meeting will be held on Monday 2 March 2026 7.00pm at Laneshaw Bridge Primary School.</b></p>