

CROWLE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on: Thursday 28th April 2026, 14:30 at Crowle Parish Hall

Present: Councillors Ruth Dawson-Jones (Chair), Lawrence Wall, Rod Smith, Donna Kennedy

In attendance: None

28.04.26.1 To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies were received and approved from councillors Stephen Denne and Steve Bott

28.04.26.2 Declaration of Interests & Dispensations

None

28.04.26.3 Neighbourhood Plan

- a) Following the Parish Council's approval of Neighbourhood Plan documents at its meeting on 10 July 2025, Cllr Denne had submitted the following revised documents which had been approved by both our consultant David Nicholson and the NDP Steering Group:

- Submission version of the Neighbourhood Plan
- Basic Conditions Statement, confirming that the draft Plan meets the legal requirements and basic conditions set out in planning legislation
- Consultation Statement (including Response Log) setting out the consultation journey undertaken

Cllr Denne had explained that revisions to the documents as previously approved were required as a result of the adoption of the South Worcestershire Development Plan Review (SWDPR) and the commencement of sections 98 and 99 of the Levelling-up and Regeneration Act 2023, both of which had occurred in March 2026. The latter had introduced new legislative requirements and basic conditions requiring amendments and additions to the Basic Conditions Statement. The Neighbourhood Plan had been amended to reflect adoption of the SWDPR and include supporting reference to the recreational facilities review. Consequential minor updates had been made to the Response Log

As before, the next step was for submission to be made to Wychavon District Council together with a draft PC minute confirming their approval, whereupon they would undertake Regulation 16 consultation which involved publishing details of the draft Plan, where and when it can be inspected, how to make representations, and the date by which representations must be received (expected to take 6 weeks). Wychavon would then submit the Plan to an independent Examiner for formal pre-adoption examination (estimated at 4 weeks), following which a local Referendum would be needed before the Plan would be formally 'made'

- b) **It was resolved** that the revised documents were formally approved by the Parish Council for the purposes of submission under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 as amended

The documents will be posted on the Council's website and an article prepared for the Crowle Cryer

The meeting ended at 14:45

Signed _____ Chair Date _____