

TACKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th November 2025 at Tackley Village Hall

Councillors Present: Councillors Liz Marshall (LM) (Chair), Andrew Lines (AL) (Vice-Chair), Sue Lygo (SL), Richard Holland-Oakes (RHO), John Gibbins (JG), Angus Paxton (AP)
District Councillor, Genny Early (GE) and Tim Sumner (TS)

In Attendance: Cherie Carruthers (Clerk),

Members of the Public: 4

25/060 Public Participation: None

25/061 Apologies of Absence: CCllr Andy Graham were accepted.

25/062 Declaration of Interest: LM in item 11.i – a family member is a recipient of a payment.

25/063 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 13 October 2025, were approved as a fair and true record:
proposer JG, seconder RHO

25/064 Clerks Report:

- **Sandbag Store:** LM agreed to measure the area and confirm shed size.
- **Path Corner:** SL confirmed that Martin Harris was pricing up materials and would come back to the PC.
- **PC Website and gov.uk emails:** CC confirmed that she had obtained costs from 3 providers and will prepare a costings paper for December meeting.

25/065 District Council: WODC Updates

Genny Early:

- AL asked GE about the review of the [Spatial Options Consultation paper Local Plan 2043](#), and its effect on Tackley. He noted that a new document had been published looking more widely at possible development sites, it is called the [Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment \(HELAA\) 2025](#).

He stated that the HELAA was not linked to the Spatial Options Consultation paper, but it must be considered when responding to the spatial proposals and the public need to know this. He agreed to write a brief to circulate via Tackley Notices and Spotted Tackley on Facebook.

Appendix A attached, written after the meeting appended for reference.

GE confirmed 8 sites had been put forward for Tackley, with one site TACK003/Area U Land west of Rousham Road (≈2.9 ha, ~61 homes), being deemed by WODC as suitable for development. And two sites deemed Suitable In Part TACK005 off Medcroft Road/Lower Hades and TACK006 off Ball Lane.

GE reminded the meeting of the Consultation on Thursday 13th Nov 6-9pm, in Tackley Village Hall, she advised that WODC will be gathering comments at this meeting, they can be given verbally or in writing.

LM raised concern on the difficult accessibility in finding where and how to respond to the spatial options on the website, you must go to page 80 before the link appears. GE said to give feedback on how hard it is in the response form, she expressed that it is still a draft plan and document – can still make a difference to the outcome

- WODC are setting their budget – a [Future Funding Priorities Budget Consultation](#) is open to hear what the community would like to see regarding funding priorities.

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DCllr Tim Sumner

- Reminded the members that the housing need figures have been imposed by Central Government and filtered down through the authorities, it is extremely important to put your comments in. Report what is the required regarding infrastructure, school places, teachers affording to live in Tackley, affordable housing, sewage, before any development can be considered. Use the District Councillors to push things forward.
- Leisure portfolio: WODC is getting ready to spend first phase of [leisure investment funding](#) in centres across the district, Chipping Norton is the nearest to Tackley to receive some of this pot.

24/066 OCC: Andy Graham: apologies accepted.

Genny Early advised that:

- [Youth Support received government funding](#), local community groups can now apply for grants.

24/067 WODC Local Plan 2043: Members reminded residents on how they can respond to the consultation, see *minute ref 25/065*. There is an in-person consultation on the 13th November 2025 between 6-9pm at the Village Hall, verbal responses are being accepted on the night, if people prefer to comment this way.

25/068 EV Charger The solicitor at OCC, Mr. Richard Hodby estimated his fees to be circa £1,000-£1,500 to review and advise on the Heads of Terms. The members decided to wait until they agreed details before any engagement. AP will reach out to the provider and see what can be negotiated. Technology is moving on very quickly, and need to speak to electricity network and see what the technical max is on substation

25/069 Parish Amenities:

- Village Hall Refurbishment:** It was **AGREED** that the PC will allocate 2 weeks in February 2026 for the S106 referendum. Leaflet's will be put through every door, it will be open to village resident's only, no votes from people living outside the village will be accepted. Form is to be ready for 20th Jan to go in newsletter; there will be one leaflet per household delivered, but everyone in the household can vote – further copies available via link or hard copies in village shop.
Jim Tarry requested an independent person to record the responses.
- Toddler Group in Tackley** – Cllr Richard Holland-Oakes advised that the Toddler group has no money to cover their hall hire costs, it is possible that the Pop-up-Pub will possibly cover the costs, but they have closed for the winter. RHO is paying 3 months personally to help. He asked if the PC could possibly pay the Village Hall direct to support the hire fees. It was agreed to have a discussion with the group in the new year and see their financial situation then.
- Tree Works:** Mark Blake is scheduled to come to undertake tree works identified in the tree survey at the beginning of December 2025, this includes trees along the footpath between Chaundy Rd and St Johns Rd.

25/070 To consider matters of Finance and Policies:

- It was approved that the following payments were ratified and the impact the payment would have on the budget and reserves. Proposed: SL, seconded: RHO: **APPROVED**

Gross (£)	VAT (£)	Payee	Details
916.07		Clerks Pay	Oct Salary £916.07
50.00		B Marshall	Oct bin emptying
937.69	156.28	Green Scythe Ltd	Oct green space maintenance
166.55		Mary McIntyre	Mailchimp reimbursement
200.00		WODC	Parish Elections
88.33	14.72	Elancity	Pole replacement (Feb 25)

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750.00		Tackley Village Hall	Grant for ind' cooker agreed Oct
283.50	47.25	Moore Stephens	External Auditor
168.00	28.00	Playground Facilities	Bi-Monthly Playground inspection
300.00		St Nicholas Church PCC	Annual Churchyard Maintenance

25/071 Next Meeting Agenda Items:

- **WODC Spatial Options response** - prepare the PC's submission and ratify/agree at the meeting
- **Budget 2026-27**

Next Meeting: Monday 10th November 2025 at 7pm.

Meeting Finished: 8.01pm

Signed as a true record of the Tackley Parish Council Meeting held on 10 November 2025.

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