	Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council on 18 November 2025
	Present Cllr Jones, Cllr Robbins, Cllr Ford, Cllr Evans, Cllr Howe, Cllr McIntyre Members of the Public – Cllr Fenton, R Martin, S. Gough
50/26	**Apologies for Absence** None
51/26	To receive Declarations of Pecuniary, Personal or Prejudicial Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers 51.1 None **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC** The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution: "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the Act." Meeting will be cleared for item Village Shop below 51.2 Agreed
52/26	**Open Forum** 52.1 County Councillor – Congestion charge is now in force – encourage residents to apply for 25 permits free per year. There have been delays in clearing drains and culverts promised in November. Locality meeting to be held soon road repair schedule should be available. Highways have been asked to attend. They will also be asked to publish data will also be published on where money has been spent. Explanation asked for on how they choose which road to repair. Clerk will contact Cllr Fenton re road markings that need painting. 52.2 District Councillor – no report 52.3 Members of Public – S Gough asked re access to Bridge Cottage which he is purchasing. There is a right of way over the land under lease to OCC Highways. It expires in 25 years – would this be re newed or could he purchase the triangle of land. Please email the Clerk and she will arrange an answer direct. Solicitors need to ask Parish Council but very slow. R Martin – Some of the aspects of report were not correct. Weather forecast can be inaccurate and there are good rainfall stats from areas in 6 mile radius – Worsham Mill, St Johns Lock. He can assemble data from flood times and rainfall leading up to an event. There is data online from Met Office and local points. Radcliffe Observatory publishes data. He is also collating data on floods which have occurred if residents could get in touch. He will write an article for the newsletter. Floods occurred in 2024, 2007 and twice before that between 1991-2007.
53/26	**To Accept Minutes of Last Meetings** 53.1 Minutes for Council meeting on 13 October 2025 have been circulated to Councillors. Accepted and signed by council. 53.2 None
54/26	**Monthly Working Party Updates** 54.1 **OALC Monthly Meeting** **5**4.1.1 Could not attend this month 54.2 **Planning** – Cllr Howe, Robbins, Jones 54.2.1 25/0237/PN56 Oxleaze Farm – change of use to residential – awaiting decision 54.2.2 Licence Application – Bar in a Box – Broughton Poggs Business Park awaiting

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	decision 54.2.3 25/02644/FUL Goodfellows- awaiting decision 54.2.4 Preferred Spatial Options Consultation as part of Local Plan – is now live until 22/12 Clerk circulated the points to focus on and map relevant to Filkins & Broughton Poggs. Response will be drafted for next meeting Councillors to comment by 12/12. It is good news that we have been moved to Tier 4 – units of 1-10 houses. This includes the railway line at Alvescot Downs. Article will be put into newsletter to encourage residents to response. The last loop of the railway does not need to be brought round to our side of Carterton. Alvescot were told that RAF Brize Norton supports the railway but it is the wrong side of camp and they have no entrances on this side. There is no infrastructure to support this many new cars. Oxford/Cambridge arc is moving ahead. It would make more sense to terminate on A40 for road connections. 54.3 **Property, Cemetery, Highways** – Cllr Jones, Robbins, Ford 54.3.1 Parish Transport meeting – No response from Speedwatch group for a meeting. Cllr Ford will update at December meeting. 54.5 **Village Centre** **5**4.5.1 Information Board – I Grey is trying to finalise waiting for R Martin. Cllr McIntyre will chase. Would like to hold an even to launch it. 54.5.2 New tariff has been suggested by Unity with EDF which will be cheaper Feb/2026 54.5.3 Swimming pool has been repainted and pump controls replaced. Started filling up and will be put to bed on 03/11
55/26	**Village Matters** 55.1 Bund- works have been completed and levels have been brought back to the original height. One point we asked him to pin down the turf which will be done next week. 55.2 Flood Report – arranging meeting with OCC and WODC to discuss mitigation measures. Flood working party was convened to discuss a meeting
56/26	**Finance** 56.1 Payments or October/November 2025 were agreed and will be authorised after the meeting. Grass cutting grant now received after chasing. Payment of grant has been requested from OCC re bund works. 56.2 1st draft of budget. No changes received for budget to set the precept. No tax base from WODC as yet so will report the effect at December meeting. Village Centre budget was circulated with surplus of approx. £1400. Check and re estimate the figure for the cleaner in 2026/27. 56.3 Hayes Palmer – have sent this years accounts and Clerk then asked for the last 5 years as we never received them. Several changes of person and more responsive. Cllr Ford will look through as charges seem quite high.
57/26	**Village Shop – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM** 57.1 Discussion took place re Village Shop arrangements
58/26	**Ernest Cook Trust - CONFIDENTIAL**
59/26	Next meetings 16/12

Signed as a true and correct record by Cllr Richard Howe at meeting on 16 December 2025

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