LUND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Council Meeting held on 9 July 2026, Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs J Walker (Chair), A Prescott, K Calvert, C Lamb, I Snowden, C Wright, A Watts, J Wilcock (Ward Councillor), and G Cottrell (Parish Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs S Burns, R Hughes

2. **Public Participation** – Mr Nathan O'Brien had written to the Parish Council about the difficulties he was experiencing with ERYC over some trees near his boundary. The Chair had already made contact with Cllr Wilcock who confirmed that he had written to the relevant Department and that the matter was being dealt with.

   The Chair then welcomed those who were present to discuss the matter of tables on the green and summarised the action taken so far. DEFRA had been consulted and advised a cautious approach to this complex matter. The Licencing authorities had replied only that a pavement licence would be required if it was on highway land. Planning declared no interest if the tables were removed from the green each night, but said Planning might be required if they were left out. The Legal team at ERYC were currently considering the matter and a response from them was expected in the next couple of weeks. Comment was then invited from the floor, and a variety of opinion was expressed on both sides of the argument, much of which had already been submitted to the Parish Council by email. When comment became repetitive and unduly heated the Chair called a halt to discussion, reminded everyone that a lot of questions needed to be answered before there could be any thought of making a decision, and re-affirmed her and the Parish Council's intention of showing due diligence and being as thorough as possible. The participants left the meeting at 8.08pm.

3. **ERYC Matters**
   i. Cllr Wilcock told the meeting that ERYC was concerned at the large acreage of farmland close to Lund Parish that was being considered for Solar Farms. Lund PC had been invited to submit comments by 28th July and, after discussion, Cllr Lamb proposed and Cllr Watts seconded a motion to object to the use of prime arable land for this purpose and to the threat posed to the livelihood of tenant farmers. All present were in favour.
   ii. Cllr Wright asked for the speed limit on the B1248 to be reviewed again in the light of the serious accident on Monday 6th July.
   iii. Cllr Calvert requested pink bin bags to aid litter picking. Cllr Wilcock would request a supply from the relevant Department; he left the meeting at 8.32pm.

4. **Minutes of meeting held on 21st May** - The minutes of the meeting had been circulated, were approved by all present, and were signed by the Chair.

5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes not on this Agenda**
   i. There were no Matters Arising.

6. **Members declarations of interest**
   Councillors Lamb, Walker, Watts and Wright declared an interest in item 7 v (Village Hall)
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7. **Village Matters**
   i. Tidying the top end of Levitt Lane was believed to be the responsibility of ERYC – Chair to contact them and find out.
   ii. The nine roses that had been saved should be planted together, but no site was agreed – Cllr Snowden to identify suitable sites for discussion.
   iii. The Chair read a letter from Simon Maddox, the Churchwarden, explaining the rationale behind the recent new roof on the Forge and requesting financial support both from private individuals and public bodies. Cllr Watts suggested £1000 was an appropriate amount for the PC to donate on behalf of the residents of Lund and this met with immediate approval from those present.
   iv. ERYC Highways did not install traffic mirrors on public roads, and, after discussion, it was agreed that there would be little benefit from pursuing this matter privately.
   v. The Village Hall had nothing to report.
   vi. The question of access to the diagonal path had been mentioned recently to two Councillors. The Chair had spoken to the landowner who apologised for the oversight. The crops would be cut in the coming weeks and in the meantime the "tram lines" could be used.

vii. The damaged car had been removed from the top of South Lane by filling in an online form for "abandoned vehicles".

8. <u>Planning</u>

i. The Application from 5 Lockington Road had raised no objection.

9. <u>Financial Matters</u>

i. Bank Reconciliation documents for 26th June were circulated, discussed, approved and signed.
ii. Bank Interest of £13.40 and a VAT refund of £741.10 had been received.
iii. Payment of £200 to Village Hall, £800 to Parish Church and £496.08 for Insurance had been made.
iv. Payments of £1055.79 to Glasdon and of the Clerk's quarterly pay were approved.

10. <u>Any Other Business</u>.

i. Cllr Lamb had received no response in finalising the negotiations on the Permissive Path.
ii. Yorkshire Water would begin major work in the village on 3rd August to replace water mains. This work could last until Christmas and the Chair had a point of contact with YW for raising any issues that might occur.

11. <u>Date of next meeting</u> – Thursday 30th July 2026 in the Village Hall 7.30pm was agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm.