

SUMMARY OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2025

All Parish Councillors present and Cllr Eastwood from West Northants Council

Apologies for Absence.

Colin Wootton.

West Northants Council News.

£15 million deficit forecast for 2026-2027

There is to be an exhibition of Northamptonshire History at Northampton Museum and Art Gallery.

Recycling centres. From November 3rd we will need to book a slot before going.

High Speed Rail (HS2)

Cllr Powell reported: Extra land taken to east of new road for soil storage. Proposed to close road from Helmdon cross roads to Brackley for a month before Christmas. Specific details to follow.

Cllr Parker reported she had submitted our application to HS2 for community funding for the Pocket Park. Council thanked her for the excellence of her work, ably assisted by **Cllr Mike Powell**.

Sulgrave Archives.

The Chairman, **Cllr Richard Fonge**, asked for the approval of the purchase of an extra bookcase for the Church Library to house archive material relating to Sulgrave. Approved.

Remembrance Day

The Remembrance Ceremony will be held on Castle Green on Tuesday 11th November 11.00am.

Silhouette soldiers to be put in place on October 24th.

Christmas.

The Christmas Tree to be placed as last year opposite shop. **Cllr Jo Peppiatt** will organise wreath making for lampposts. December 4th proposed.

Allotments.

Council approved the quote of £700 to clear allotments and £300 for tree work.

Pocket Park

The Chair to meet with a villager to maintain the Millenium Wood in the Pocket Park.

Castle Green.

New hanging post needed for the gate into the mound.

Councillors' Reports

Cllr Priestman arranging an evening with a paramedic in the Village Hall re the Defibrillator.

Dog bins not being emptied as they should be.

Helmdon road closure unnecessary. Chairman had been in contact with Helmdon Chair.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Richard Fonge.