

CHELMORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Chelmorton Parish Council held in the War Memorial Institute on Tuesday 7 July 2026, 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr E Beresford, Cllr R Jones, Cllr W Mosley and Cllr J Skidmore

In attendance: J Orley, Clerk to Parish Council

Members of the Public: One

1099 Apologies for Absence

Cllr S Cooper,

1100 Variation of order of business and clerk's notification of time constrained items

No variations required.

1101 Declarations of Members Interests

In respect of this meeting: none required.

1102 Public Speaking

Mrs McNulty spoke on behalf of the War Memorial Committee who was raising money to make improvements to the village hall. Mrs McNulty asked whether the Parish Council could contribute to the fund raising. It was RESOLVED to delay making a decision until after the Festival when there would be a clearer picture of the amount of funds needed. It was further RESOLVED not to make a decision until items 9 and 12 of the agenda had been discussed.

1103 To confirm the non-exempt minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th May 2026. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

1104 Matters arising from the previous meeting

None

1105 To determine which items, if any, from the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded

None

1106 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting & planning related matters

Applications returned to meet deadline: None

Other PDNPA: no matters

1107 Footpaths and Highways and related issues

The Clerk reported that she had not received a response to her email regarding reducing the speed limit on The Ditch.

RESOLVED that the Clerk to contact DCC again.

1108 Reports from Village Organisations

Village Institute - noted that improvements to the village hall were in hand.

Trust - nothing to report.

Festival - this was due to take place imminently.

1109 Village Assets/Website/Allotments:

Allotments – Up to date.

Website – up to date.

Playground - nothing to report.

Vertas Contract - the Clerk reported that last year the Parish Council paid £363.30 for grounds maintenance provided by DCC. The contract had moved to Vertas who had stated that the new price was £4,283.88. The Clerk had been in contact with Vertas to try and resolve this.

1110 Projects

Kiosk - nothing to report.

Bulb planting - the bulbs were flowering.

Bench - RESOLVED that the Clerk should obtain quotes to replace the bench.

1111 Items for Information

DALC Circulars and e-briefings had been circulated via email.

1112 Consideration of replacement defibrillator

The Clerk reported that the defibrillator, which was 8 years old, was no longer working.

The Clerk had discussed this with Community Heartbeat who had suggested that a replacement should be purchased. RESOLVED to purchase a replacement defibrillator at a cost of £1345 + VAT.

1113 Finance

Council RESOLVED to authorise the following:

(a)	Accounts for Payment	
	ubddr Unity charge per month – June	£7.00
	ub Sonata Jack Aston	£114.00
	ub McAfee renewal subscription	£74.99
	ub Clerk wages June	£225.42
	ub Clerk wages July	£225.42

(b)	Current account Balance at 25/04/26	£6402.64
	Deposit account balance at 25/04/26	£6652.62

1114 Date of next meeting

1st September 2026

The meeting closed at 8:00 pm