

CHELMORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Chelmorton Parish Council held in the War Memorial Institute on Tuesday 5 May 2026, 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr S Cooper, Cllr R Jones, Cllr W Mosley and Cllr J Skidmore

In attendance: J Orley, Clerk to Parish Council

Members of the Public: 13

1078 Election of Chair

Councillor R Jones was elected Chair and will sign the declaration of acceptance of office at the next meeting.

1079 Election of Vice Chair

Councillor J Skidmore was elected Vice Chair and will sign the declaration of acceptance of office at the next meeting.

1080 Apologies for Absence

Cllr E Beresford

1081 Variation of order of business and clerk's notification of time constrained items

No variations required.

1082 Declarations of Members Interests

In respect of this meeting: none required.

1083 Public Speaking

Apologies were received from PCSO Anthony Boswell.

Members of the public raised concern over the incident where a dog was killed by another dog in the village.

Members of the village expressed concern for the safety of the villagers, visitors and other dogs as the dangerous dogs were still getting out.

It was noted that the Parish Council had no powers in relation to this incident although it would assist wherever possible.

Agreed that evidence was needed to support any legal action under the Dogs Act. This included video evidence, statements and ringing 101 to log an incident. The information would be collated and reported to Derbyshire Dales District Council.

RESOLVED Cllr Jones to contact Derbyshire Dales District Council to find out who to send the evidence to.

RESOLVED Cllr Jones to write to the PC Jakins to convey the strength of feeling in the village and to ask him to reconsider this incident again.

The speed limit on The Ditch was raised.

RESOLVED the Clerk to write to Derbyshire County Council again to stress the need for the speed limit to be reduced.

1084 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 10th March 2026. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

1085 Matters arising from the previous meeting
None

1086 To determine which items, if any, from the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded
None

1087 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting & planning related matters

Applications returned to meet deadline: None
Other PDNPA: no matters

1088 Footpaths and Highways and related issues
Cllr Skidmore reported that a footpath sign had been erected at the bottom of Common Lane. Which directed walkers through his farm. This was not a footpath. RESOLVED the Clerk should write to Derbyshire Dales District Council to inform them that the sign should be moved to Midshires Way.

It was reported that there was a need for dog fouling signs in The Ditch and at the top of the village.

RESOLVED the Clerk to action.

Cllr Jones reported that repairs had been made to the drains but the road surface had not been addressed.

RESOLVED Cllr Jones to write to the MP again.

1089 Reports from Village Organisations
Village Institute - nothing to report
Trust - nothing to report
Festival - nothing top report

1090 Village Assets/Website/Allotments:
Allotments – The Clerk to send payment reminders
Website – the Clerk reported that it was good practice to include the names of the parish councillors on the website. Councillors agreed that their names could be added to the website. RESOLVED The Clerk to action
Playground - nothing to report

1091 Projects
Kiosk - the work had been completed. RESOLVED that the Clerk would research whether the kiosk could be used to house a defibrillator.
Bulb planting - the bulbs were flowering.
Bench - RESOLVED that the Clerk should obtain quotes to replace the bench

1092 Items for Information
DALC Circulars and e-briefings had been circulated via email.

1093 Approval of IT Policy
RESOLVED to approve the IT Policy.

1094 Approval of Publication Scheme
RESOLVED to approve the Publication Scheme.

1095 Finance

Council RESOLVED to authorise the following:

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| (a) | Accounts for Payment | |
| | ubddr Unity charge per month – March | £7.00 |
| | ubddr Unity charge per month – April | £7.00 |
| | ubddr Unity charge per month – May | £7.00 |
| | ub Phil Swindell - Playing field repairs | £59.00 |
| | ub Peak Park Parishes Forum | £12.00 |
| | ub East Midlands Audit Services | £76.65 |
| | ub Play Inspection Company | £115.80 |
| | ub J Orley wages April | £225.42 |
| | ub J Orley wages May | £225.42 |
| (b) | Current account Balance at 28/08/25 | £1013.28 |
| | Deposit account balance at 28/08/25 | £6620.43 |

1096 Annual Governance and accountability Return 2025-26

Council RESOLVED to authorise the AGAR.

1097 Finals Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2026

Council RESOLVED to approve the final accounts.

1098 Date of next meeting

7th July 2026

1st September 2026, 3rd November 2026

The meeting closed at 8:40 pm