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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ANGMERING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13 APRIL 2026 AT THE ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL, KING SUITE

- Present:** Councillors Nikki Hamilton-Street (Chair), Alan Evans (Vice Chair), Sylvia Verrinder, Norma Harris, James Thompson, Sally Taylor, Carey Bennett, David Marsh, Jack Gocher and Paul Bicknell
- In Attendance:** Katie Herr (Clerk), Tracy Lees (Committee Clerk), WSCC Cllr. Deborah Urquhart and two members of the public
- Acronym:** Angmering Parish Council – APC; West Sussex County Council – WSCC; Arun District Council – ADC; Angmering Community Land Trust – ACLT; Planning & Infrastructure Committee – PI; Community, Leisure, Environment & Wellbeing Committee – CLEW; Neighbourhood Plan – NHP; Traffic Regulation Order – TRO. Angmering Flood Alleviation Scheme – AFAS; Tree Protection Order - TPO

AGENDA ITEM	MINUTE NO.	AGENDA POINT	ACTION FOR
1	F25/227	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received and approved for Cllr. Henry King, Cllr. John Oldfield, and ADC Cllr. Andy Cooper. Apologies were not received and therefore not approved for ADC Cllr. Amelia Worne.	
2	F25/228	DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. None.	
3	F25/229	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Council on Monday 9 March 2026 were agreed and signed by the Chair.	
4	F25/230	PUBLIC CONSULTATION One member of the public wanted to share their experience of an act of hate crime they had been subjected to over the Easter weekend and also gave examples of previous issues they had experienced. They felt the Police weren't doing anything thing and asked how APC were going to support victims of hate crime in Angmering.	

The Chair said she and the Councillors were sorry to hear that they had had to endure this. She went on to explain APCs remit and asked that this matter was reported to the Police, which it had been. A discussion then took place with Cllr. Gocher saying he was aware of a group that looked into these

issues where he used to live and would see what he could find out more. Cllr. Verrinder asked if a Police representative could attend this meeting on a monthly basis, the Chair advised that they have already been asked to attend but unfortunately, they don't have the resource to do so. The Clerk will contact the PCSO to see if they can attend as and when needed.

The member of the public thanked the Committee for listening and left the meeting at 19:39.

5 F25/231 THE CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS, BUT NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA.

The Clerk asked if there were any questions regarding her report – none were asked.

She then went on to confirm invites had been sent out for GDPR training and a session regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. She said that not all councillors had responded. A request was made that any outstanding responses were sent in ASAP. The invites will be re-sent for those that may have missed them.

The Committee Clerk asked councillors to respond to her email regarding upcoming village events and if they were able to volunteer on the day.

6 F25/232 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair asked if there were any questions regarding her report – none were asked.

She then talked about the upcoming Annual Parish Meeting taking place on Thursday 30 April and explained what was on the agenda. Councillor presence was requested and she asked that all councillors advise if they can or can't attend as soon as possible.

7 F25/233 REPORT FROM THE WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Urquhart said that this may be her last meeting and if it was, she wanted APC to know it has been a pleasure working with us.

She advised that there was not a lot to report due to Purdah.

Purdah is a term for the pre-election period of sensitivity, when government bodies avoid making announcements that could influence an election.

The Government's announcement re the next stages of devolution had not gone down well due to various inaccuracies and was now going down a technical consultation route. Cllr. Urquhart gave her understanding of what would possibly happen, a discussion then took place and questions such as how many majors will there be (the answer to this is one), how many tiers and why certain areas wanted to merge with other areas due to currently not having any development land themselves.

The Chair thanked Cllr. Urquhart for everything she has done for Angmering and wished her well for the future, whatever that may be.

Cllr. Urquhart left the meeting at 19:57.

8 F25/234 REPORT FROM THE ARUN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Cooper was not able to attend tonight's meeting, and no report had been submitted.

A question was raised in Cllr. Coopers absence relating to the new bins that Angmering are now required to use. It was reported that not all residents have had their bins or had put bins out as requested but had not been emptied.

The Chair advised that people should be directed to ADCs website as it explained very clearly the status of collections, gave updates etc. etc. The APC office will continue to share any news they receive. It was also highlighted that the ADC app was very useful.

A short discussion then took place which included the comment that all old bins should have been collected by the end of May.

9 F25/235 DEVOLUTION UPDATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION UPDATE

The Chair stated there were no further comments to add to Cllr Urquhart's comments made earlier in the meeting.

10 F25/236 ZACHARY MERTON UPDATE – CLLR. ANDY COPPER

As already stated, Cllr. Cooper was unable to attend the meeting and we therefore await further updates from Cllr. Cooper when he is able to give them.

As reported at the last meeting Alison Griffith MP had written to the Secretary of State for Health & Social Care to ask for any decision to be paused for further consultation. A meeting has since taken place, and she has been assured that a decision has not yet been made.

11 F25/237 PROPOSED EAR MARKED RESERVE (EMR) MOVEMENTS FROM 2025/26 BUDGET

The Clerk referred to the supporting paper and hoped that it was clear for all to understand. She highlighted certain areas and advised why some items had been increased.

Cllr. Verrinder asked various questions all of which were answered or explained with no further questions being asked.

Cllr. Bicknell asked how many young people the Youth Workers supported. It was reported that between 20 – 30 attend per session and how this was done was also explained. The Chair commented that a further update on how the Youth Working sessions were progressing would be added to a future agenda.

It was then time to agree or disagree the proposed EMR movements for 2026/26 budget, the following was agreed:

Cllr. Verrinder PROPOSED that the ear marked reserve movements from 2026/2026 budget was agreed. Cllr. Bicknell SECONDED and All AGREED
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12 F25/238 20MPH SPEED LIMIT EXTENTION – PROPOSAL

The Clerk explained what work had been done in the past regarding this matter e.g. meetings, the pros and the cons for a project like this and the fact that Arundel Road was considered as a standalone issue. It was also reported that only 1 TRO can be granted per year by WSCC. The Chair then talked through the supporting paper.

A long and detailed discussion then took place with various points of view being put forward and that community feedback was needed before moving forward with this project. The Clerk also explained how the Community Highway Scheme worked and that it would take 3 years to come to fruition, with exact plans being put together by WSCC engineers. We would ask for the reduction in speed limit and safety features to be considered – and they would design a scheme that would fit.

The Chair suggested that a standalone meeting should take place to discuss this proposal further and explore all options village wide before deciding how to move forward, all agreed that this should take place. This meeting would also cover footpaths and connectivity within the village. The Clerk will send out a meeting date and request proposed areas to be covered to be sent to her in advance of the meeting.

Clerk

Before moving onto the next item, it was agreed that installing Village Gates did not have to wait for a decision on the 20mph proposal, but this would impact the placement of the gates if changes were made.

13 F25/239 CIL RECEIPTS AND SUGGESTED SPEND

The Chair explained the receipts process and then talked through the paper, confirmed that all projects were confirmed as eligible to be CIL projects and invited questions.

A discussion then took place including should other items be added. For example Cllr. Bicknell ask if pedestrian pavement connectivity could be added. This example will be looked at in the Highways meeting that is yet to be planned in.

The Chair asked that this agenda item be put on the agenda every six months, with any updates of spending. This will coincide with CIL receipts being received in April and October.

After discussion the following was agreed:

Cllr. Marsh PROPOSED APC should go ahead with the proposed CIL spending list Cllr. Evans SECONDED and All AGREED

The Clerk will now send the approved list over to ADC.

Clerk

14 F25/240 UPDATE ON GREENER ANGMERING PROJECT

Cllr. Evans updated the committee on the Greener Angmering Group and the plan they would like to deliver at Mayflower Park. They were also looking to see if they can do something at Angmering Train Station.

Cllr. Evans explained where the area was in Mayflower Park and how much space they would have to work with. He also reported that they are speaking with other groups to see what they do to help move them forward and in the right way.

Cllr. Gocher gave his own overview of his experience of working with the group and also that another meeting was due to take place on 14 April 2026. A short discussion took place, and it was agreed it was still early days but APC look forward to see what can be achieved.

15 F25/241 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

The 2026/2027 budget for Community Grants is £6,000.

1 grant request was received this month from Embracing Age for £500.

A short discussion took place, and the following decision was made:

Cllr. Evans PROPOSED that the grant request was refused. Cllr. Marsh SECONDED and 9 AGREED with 1 ABSTAINING
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16 F25/242 2025/26 FINANCIAL REPORT

The reports were presented, no questions were asked.
Cllr. Taylor signed the reconciliations for March 2026.

17 F25/243 QUESTIONS ON THE ALREADY CIRCULATED NOTES OF MEETINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL WORKING PARTIES, REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS OR NOTES ON OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED

None.

18 F25/244 QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Planning and Infrastructure Committee: None.
Governance & Oversight Committee: None.

19 F25/245 TO CONSIDER ANY URGENT MATTERS, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, ARISING SINCE THE PREPARATION OF THIS AGENDA

None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee’s next meeting will be on **Monday 11 May 2026** at 7:30pm in the King Suite, Angmering Village Hall.

The meeting concluded at 21:07

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Chair

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