

Bursledon Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting



**Minutes of the meeting of Bursledon Parish Council held on Wednesday 24th June 2026
at 7:00pm at Bursledon Community Library.**

Members of the Full Council in attendance: Councillors Penn, Holes, Hoare, Baxter, Figueira, Whitlock

Officers of the Council Present: James Atkinson (Clerk), Amy Hobbs (Deputy Clerk and RFO).

Members of the Public: 3

FC/26/026 Apologies for Absence

Council received apologies from Cllr Pencheva, Cllr Craig, Cllr House, Cllr O'Sullivan and Cllr Ndongo Owona.

RESOLVED: That the apologies received be accepted.

FC/26/027 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

7.05pm Cllr Whitlock and Cllr Figueira joined the meeting.

FC/26/028 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Annual Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th May 2026 were received and accepted as a correct record and were signed by the Chair of the Council.

FC/26/029 Questions from the Public

A resident spoke regarding parking issues near the village hall, including congestion associated with the school and the layout of the road. A suggestion was made that the laybys could be used as a drop-off point only.

FC/26/030 Lands End Slipway – Anti-Social Behaviour and Dinghy Storage

Council received a verbal update on concerns regarding parking, anti-social behaviour and dinghy storage at Lands End Slipway.

The Clerk and Chair explained that Bursledon Parish Council does not own or control the slipway and that any formal enforcement, disposal or dispersal powers would need to be led by the appropriate landowner and statutory authorities. It was noted that Eastleigh Borough Council appeared to be the relevant landowner/authority for the site, with Police and Fire Service involvement where appropriate.

Members discussed the lack of signage, use of the turning area, parking pressure and the importance of continuing to gather and retain evidence. It was also noted that Hamble was not a direct comparison because Hamble Parish Council owns its slipway, whereas Bursledon Parish Council does not own Lands End Slipway.

Members discussed the importance of continuing to raise local concerns with Eastleigh Borough Council, the Police and other relevant partners.

RESOLVED: To note the issues and request that Cllr Holes includes the matter on the Bursledon, Hamble and Hound Local Area Committee agenda, with the Clerk continuing to liaise with Eastleigh Borough Council and relevant partners as required.

FC/26/031 Planning Applications

Council considered the following planning applications and agreed the Council's response to Eastleigh Borough Council.

a) Application No: H/26/101159 - Address: Hazeldene, School Road, Bursledon, Southampton, SO31 8BW.

It was noted that the application had been withdrawn.

b) Application No: O/26/101417 - Address: Land Adjacent to Windhover Roundabout, Bursledon Road, Bursledon, SO31 8BN.

RESOLVED: That Bursledon Parish Council objects to application O/26/101417 and requests that Eastleigh Borough Council refuses the application. The Council's response to be submitted to Eastleigh Borough Council is set out below:

Planning Application Reference: O/26/101417

Site: Land Adjacent to Windhover Roundabout, Bursledon Road, Bursledon, SO31 8BN

Bursledon Parish Council objects to application O/26/101417 and requests that Eastleigh Borough Council refuses the application.

The Council's objection is made on the following material planning grounds:

1. Harm to the settlement gap and local landscape character

The application site lies in a sensitive countryside location adjacent to Windhover Roundabout and forms part of the important open gap around Bursledon.

The proposed industrial/warehouse development would introduce a substantial commercial built form into an area which currently contributes to the separation, openness and landscape setting of Bursledon. The Council considers that the scale, nature and operational character of the proposal would have an urbanising effect and would physically and visually diminish the function of the gap.

The Council considers that the proposal conflicts with the purpose of Eastleigh Borough Local Plan Strategic Policy S6, Protection of Settlement Gaps, which seeks to protect the separate identity of settlements and resist development which harms the openness, countryside character or separation function of the gap.

2. Highway impact, congestion and highway safety

The Windhover Roundabout and surrounding highway network already experience significant congestion and pressure, particularly at peak times. The Council is concerned that the proposed development would add further traffic to an already constrained network, including commercial vehicles, HGVs, delivery vehicles, servicing vehicles and staff movements.

The Council has particular concerns about the impact on Windhover Roundabout, Bursledon Road, Hamble Lane and the traffic light junction at Marechal.

The Council considers that the application has not adequately demonstrated that the local highway network can safely and effectively accommodate the additional traffic generated by the proposed development.

The Parish Council is also concerned about cumulative highway impacts, particularly when considered alongside other potential or planned development in the wider area, including the potential for quarry-related traffic. The combination of additional industrial/warehouse traffic and potential quarry HGV movements would place further pressure on Windhover Roundabout, Hamble Lane and the surrounding road network.

3. Air quality, emissions and sustainable transport

The Council is concerned that the proposal would increase vehicle emissions in an area already recognised as sensitive in air quality terms.

The Hamble Lane / Windhover corridor is already subject to air quality concerns, including the Air Quality Management Area designation. The proposed development would introduce additional vehicle movements, including HGVs and commercial traffic, into and around this area.

The Council is concerned that this would worsen local air quality, particularly through increased emissions from vehicles, queuing traffic and stop-start movements at Windhover Roundabout and nearby junctions.

The Council is also concerned that the site is unlikely to be sustainable in transport terms, given the nature of the proposed industrial/warehouse use, its location adjacent to a major roundabout, and the likely reliance on HGVs, vans and private vehicles.

4. Light pollution and residential amenity

The Council is also concerned about the potential impact of external lighting associated with a large industrial/warehouse development in this sensitive countryside gap location. Security lighting, yard lighting, vehicle movements and operational lighting could result in light spill, glare and an urbanising night-time impact on the surrounding area.

The Council considers that this would be contrary to the aims of Eastleigh Borough Local Plan Policies DM1 and DM8, particularly where lighting would harm residential amenity, landscape character or the rural setting of the gap.

c) Application No: H/26/101181

Address: Cherry Court, Salterns Lane, Bursledon, Southampton, SO31 8DH.

RESOLVED: To submit the following comment to Eastleigh Borough Council:

Given the planning history of the site, and the previous Planning Inspector appeal decision relating to Cherry Court, the Parish Council welcomes the application being considered by the Local Area Committee to ensure consistency in decision-making.

FC/26/032 Finance Reports

Council received and noted the schedules of payments for 4 June 2026 and 19 June 2026.

It was noted that all invoices had been examined, verified and certified by the Responsible Finance Officer.

RESOLVED: To note the schedules of payments for 4 June 2026 and 19 June 2026.

FC/26/033 Telephone Kiosk Refurbishment

Council received an update on the proposed refurbishment of the telephone kiosk.

Members discussed the current lean of the kiosk and considered the merits, costs and practical implications of seeking further works to straighten it before refurbishment. It was noted that straightening the kiosk would likely require additional investigation and specialist groundworks, with associated cost and delay.

Following discussion, Council agreed that the refurbishment should proceed as currently planned, accepting the existing lean.

RESOLVED: To proceed with the refurbishment of the kiosk as currently planned, accepting the existing lean.

FC/26/034 Exclusion of Press and Public

RESOLVED: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

FC/26/035 Update on Proposed Transfer of Land from Eastleigh Borough Council to Bursledon Parish Council

Council received a confidential verbal update from the Clerk regarding a proposed land transfer matter involving potential legal, insurance and financial implications for the Parish Council.

Members noted the current position and the need to protect the Council's interests in relation to ownership, liability, insurance and any potential future transfer of land.

RESOLVED: To note the confidential verbal update.

The meeting exited closed session.

FC/26/036 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 20:30.

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of Bursledon Parish Council will be held at Bursledon Community Library on Wednesday 29th July 2026 at 7:00pm.

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