

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

Councillors:

- * Cllr K Johnson (Chair)
- * Cllr J Palmer (Vice Chair)
- * Cllr D Nutting
- * Cllr D Craig
- * Cllr K Harding
- * Cllr L Ridgway
- * Cllr S Hughes
- * Cllr J Pearson (CEC)
- * Cllr M Duncalf
- * Tanya Tucker Arnold

* denotes attendance

Clerk: Mrs B Conroy

1. Apologies for absence

To receive apologies for absence from Members of the Parish Council – Cllr Harding sent her apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any disclosable pecuniary interests or other disclosable interests as required under chapter 7 of the Localism Act.

3. Approval of the minutes

To approve and authorise the signing of the minutes of the meeting and extraordinary meeting held on 11th June as a correct record - approved

4. Public Forum

To enable members of the public the opportunity to raise any matters of interest with the Parish Council in accordance with our Standing Orders

Several residents attended the meeting to express concerns about the proposed residential development behind the school. The Parish Council cannot comment on any proposed planning until the planning application has been submitted. Cllr Nutting commented that a lot of information needs to come from the developer before the application will be considered.

5. New Councillor

Tanya Tucker Arnold has joined the Parish Council as our new Councillor. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed in the presence of the Proper Officer and Councillors

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

6. Borough Councillors Report

Cllr J Pearson's report

- Aphra Brandreth MP will be holding a on Surgery 23rd July in Marbury
- Section 106 funds - part of this money clearly stated £52,740 shall be used towards additions, improvements and enhancement of Wrenbury Recreation Grounds Trust. Cheshire East has this amount which was part of a condition of the land sale on Station Road.
- Pan Parish Highway Group Meeting – Baddiley Bridge there continues to be no fixed plan on how to proceed. Repairs that have not been budgeted and progress is unlikely to happen this year.
A member of the public has requested under the Freedom of Information Act the options Cheshire East are looking at, this will be discussed at our next meeting.
- Property opposite Drs surgery – 26/0388/ENF- no further forward and no response has been received from enforcement to the PCs most recent email
- Hearing on Station Yard – the hearing has been extended and interested parties are reconvening via Teams to complete on 15th July. No decision was made due to the appellant being supported by a large number of representatives which included a KC.
- Frith Lane Road Works – A complaint was received about the Road works on Firth Lane being done by United Utilities. The Company were fined for non-completion of work within the time frame specified. A new permit has been issued giving an extended time and amount of money complete the work

7. Wrenbury Recreation Ground Trust

WRGT have secured a tenant for the field. WRGT have requested back payment for grass cutting already undertaken and have been advised that the Parish Council will not make back payments. The Parish Council will offer to pay for essential arboriculture work to the tree that overhangs the playground but will not pay for the grass to be cut. **BC**

8. Bins

A bin removed by owners of the Dusty Miller is now in storage to be used as required

9. Lengthsman's Hut

Cllr Palmer asked for permission to buy a plastic locked up shed at a cost of £529.99 and would like a budget of up to £1,000 to carry out associated relevant works. Agreed. **JP**

10. SID

We are awaiting a response from Cheshire East on the cost of a licence. Elan City are ready to supply as soon as this is received

11. IT – To update on laptop - put in abeyance until September – cost will be around about £599)

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

12. Pan Parish Highways Group

To report on the meeting of 17th June see Borough Councillors report (item 6)
The next PPHG meeting is in November

13. Village Green

To discuss planting scheme – the quote was agreed by all Councillors and comprised design and advice as well as providing the plants which will mature. The planting was funded from a Community Infrastructure Levy and not the Parish Council precept. Watering and maintenance will be undertaken by a team of Councillors.

Cllr Ridgway will speak to Canalside Garden Centre regarding infill planting – **LR**

14. Planning and Enforcement Matters

Planning and Enforcement Matters

- a) Current and recent Applications - See Appendix A
- b) Applications for consideration and update at meeting

New –None this month

Updates since June meeting

- 1.1 24/5174/FUL Station Yard Concrete Batching Plant retrospective application Refused. – Appeal ref APP/R0660/W/25/3377066 to be determined by Hearing procedure with Inspector and interested parties –Hearing date 23rd June 10am did not complete and further Teams meeting 15th July to conclude Inspector's review
- 1.2 Omission of Play Area 2 from Station Road affordable homes development CE advise this is due to the site flooding heavily in the last few years, the scheme as approved was not feasible and also not safe to be implemented. It was agreed that the children's play area should be removed from the lower area and a larger play area has been approved and installed on the higher ground. The lower area is still retained as public open space, with a seating area and a looped walk but it was not considered to be safe or appropriate to have children play area in the flood zone
- 2. Review of Cheshire East planning website following updates – still problems eg nonappearance of application on CE Wrenbury webpage- formal complaint issued
- 3. Applications made between 2nd and 9th July 2026 can be found on www.planning.cheshireeast.gov.uk. –
- 4) Responses from Planning Enforcement –
 - a) Station Road 45 Dwellings ref mound of archaeological interest and badger sett has been destroyed by contractor adjacent site – no response, Borough Councillor Pearson to chase planning enforcement for update
 - b) Buildings around Swimming pool on Porters Hill without planning application– see 25/3838/HOUS Retrospective application for retention of outbuildings and raised platforms – awaiting determination by LPA
 - c) The Brooklands Nantwich Road – slurry lagoon -additional planning submission documents submitted by applicant 9th January APP/R0660/W/25/3377066 for review by officers - awaiting determination by LPA
 - d) Property on Nantwich Road on Corner opposite doctor's surgery – Further action pending – still awaiting update from Enforcement
 - e) The Old Vicarage Cholmondeley Road, Wrenbury -works and plan changes commenced on site before consideration of application by Local Planning Authority - awaiting determination by LPA and Mobile home placed in grounds of the Old Rectory – no planning application submitted

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

Other matters

- 1) Deteriorating condition of Cotton Arms – No application for renovation submitted to date
- 2) Potential development for a 58 dwelling estate in the caravan rally field off Cholmondeley Road - no application submitted to date
- 3) Potential development of 48/50 dwellings beside and behind Wrenbury School with access off Nantwich Road – public exposition held in Village Hall held by Markden Homes 22nd June - No formal application submitted

15. Finance

- 15.1 To present a brief overview of budget – a report showing reserves and general funds was explained – no changes or adjustments need to be made to the Budget set last October

- 15.2 To note Bank Reconciliation –

Brought forward 31/03/26	£5,019.50
Income	£500
Expenditure	£2,260.93
Carry forward 31/01/2026	£3,258.57
Current Account	£3,258.57
Instant Access	40,739.37
Total	43,997.94

- 15.3 To note new payments to be made

Payee	Supplies/Service	Amount
Scribe	DD Monthly Subscription	£37.20
King & Sons	Grass Cutting	£240
Janet Palmer	Your Security Sign	£21.16
Wicksteed	Playground Maintenance Items	£178.63
Village Hall	Meeting Room Hire	£10
B Conroy	Clerk Salary	£786.25

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

NEST	DD Pension Contribution	£19.43
Shires	Pension Declaration	£72
Unity Bank	Bank Charge	£8
N Palmer	Lengthsman	£150
Janet Palmer	Biffa bin lock	£37.99
Cloud Next	Web Hosting	£119.98
Total		£1760.64

15.4 Agreed payment of Total £1760.64

16. General reports

- 16.1 To receive updates on MUGA – Weeding and tightening of goal posts has been undertaken
- 16.2 To receive updates on playground Cllrs Craig and Hughes have fixed all items listed in the Playsafety Report
- 16.3 To receive updates on Highways still working on New Road and works towards Ravensmoor. Drains need clearing Station Road.

17. Councillors Items for Information

To receive information that has been received between the agenda and the meeting that the Chairperson has agreed to include. Please note that no resolutions may be passed about these items

Cllr Hughes asked what the procedure is if planning permission is submitted in August (when the Parish Council does not meet) Cllr Nutting advised that there will be a consideration period of 6 weeks

Cllr Craig will be attending the WRGT AGM 22 July 7.30 **DC**

Cllr Tucker Arnold would like to resume the scarecrow trail

Cllr Johnson said the obelisk needs changing slightly and we are hoping to put it in situ in September

Cllr Ridgway responded to the question about the raised manhole cover – this is an inspection chamber for monitoring of Spring flooding

Cllr Palmer - turf has been dumped on top of gravel left from Garden of Reflection. There was also a request to clear the area round kissing gate **BC**

Cllr Palmer mentioned that in September the PC will be asking for tenders for Ground Maintenance and Cllr Palmer suggested the PC should also look at competitive insurance quotes due to the increases from current insurer Clear Insurance **BC** to get recommendations from ChALC

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

18. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next meetings as -Thursday 10th September 2026 in Wrenbury Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm

Following meetings Thursday 8th October
 Thursday 12th November

PART B

To consider a resolution to exclude the public and press under the public bodies (admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) by reason of the confidential nature of the items of business to be transacted if required

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

Appendix A

Appendix A for Meeting 09-07-26

Recent planning applications considered by Wrenbury Parish Council and outcomes.

Where an objection or comment has been raised to a planning application by Wrenbury Parish Council, full details of the objection or comment can be found online at the Cheshire East Planning website by searching for the application by number e.g. 23/1366N for Station Yard proposed Concrete Plant

Application Reference	Description	WPC Decision	Notes	CE Decision
23/4753N	Retrospective application for a slurry lagoon, The Brooklands, Station Road	Objection	Revised submission Submitted 09-01-26	Still not decided
24/5174/FUL	Station Yard, Wrenbury, CW5 8HA Retrospective application for a concrete batch plant at Station Yard.	Objection	Officer Decision	Refused 14/07/25
		Objection to Appeal documents	Documents supporting objection to appeal submitted by PC 31 st March	Appeal Hearing 23 rd June part completed to be finalised 15 th July by Teams meeting
25/3255/DSC	Land South Of Sandfield House Station Road, Wrenbury, Discharge of conditions on approval 19/4873N: Proposed construction of 45 dwelling houses,	Comment		All conditions now discharged
25/3313/HOUS	The Old Vicarage Cholmondeley Road, Wrenbury - External alterations.	Comments submitted See CE website		Awaiting decision

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

		for full details		
25/3838/HOUS	Porters Hill Farm Frith Lane, Wrenbury, Retrospective application for retention of outbuilding and raised platforms	Comments submitted See CE website for full details	Concerns regarding construction without planning permission	Awaiting decision
26/0499/FUL	Proposed dwelling. 6, Oak Villas Nantwich Road,		No Comment	
26/0584/VOC	Variation of Condition 2 on approval 19/2922N 1, Belmont Villa Frith Lane, Wrenbury,	No Comment		Refused
26/0756/DSC	Land South Of SANDFIELD HOUSE Station Road, Wrenbury, Nantwich, Cheshire East, CW5 8EX Discharge of Condition 22 on approval 19/4873N.	Officer technical review		Information provided by developer and Condition 22 discharged
26/0968/VOC	WRENBURY HOUSE Nantwich Road, Wrenbury, Nantwich, Cheshire East, CW5 8EW Variation of condition 2 on approval 23/3978N - Erection of an agricultural unit	No comment		Approved with conditions
26/0952/FUL	1, BELMONT VILLA Frith Lane, Wrenbury, Nantwich, Cheshire East,		Concern re size of outbuilding	

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

	CW5 8HQ Proposed replacement outbuilding.			
26/1271/FUL	Cheshire Boutique Barns, HEALD FARM Cholmondeley Road, Wrenbury, Cheshire East Extension to existing holiday let barn conversion to provide enhanced accommodation.	Support		
26/1286/FUL	Lane Acres Farm Wrenbury Frith, Wrenbury; New dwelling by conversion of an existing single storey outbuilding	Object	New dwelling in open countryside contrary to Neighbourhood Plan and CE Planning Policy	Refused
26/1525/FUL	Canalside Garden Centre, Frith Lane; DISPLAY BUILDING COMPRISING OF 3 CONTAINER SHELLS	Support		
26/1588/OUT	Cotton Arms Cholmondeley Road, construction of 12no. holiday lets and associated landscaping	Support in principle	Express concern that no mention of work to pub building to stop deterioration	

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 9th July 2026

Appendix B

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at 7:30pm on 11th June 2026

Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council

5 June 2026 (2026-2027)

Prepared by: B. CONROY CLERK + RFO Date: 8/7/2026
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

Bank Reconciliation at 31/05/2026			
A	Cash in Hand 01/04/2026		47,308.45
	ADD		
	Receipts 01/04/2026 - 31/05/2026		11,843.00
	SUBTRACT		59,151.45
	Payments 01/04/2026 - 31/05/2026		13,569.27
	Cash in Hand 31/05/2026 (per Cash Book)		45,582.18
B	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Unity Bank Current Account	31/05/2026	5,019.50
	Unity Bank Instant Access	31/05/2026	40,562.68
			45,582.18
	Less unrepresented payments		
			45,582.18
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
	Adjusted Bank Balance		45,582.18
A = B Checks out OK			

Created by  Scribe

K. Blum

8 Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council Minutes June 2026

10 Wrenbury-cum-Frith Parish Council Minutes July 2026