



SEIGHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held at Seighford Village Hall on
Monday 15 June 2026 at 7.30pm

Present

Cllr J Busby (Chairman)
Cllr M Hayward (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr D Price
Cllr R Wilkes
Cllr D Burgess

3 Members of the Public
Kelly Day (Clerk & RFO)

Abbreviations:

Cllr: Councillor
SPC: Seighford Parish Council
MOP: Member of the Public
SCC: Staffordshire County Council
SBC: Stafford Borough Council
SLCC: Society of Local Council Clerks
SPCA: Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association.

15/06/26/1

Apologies for absence:

Cllr M Hodgkins (apologies)
Cllr P Brown (apologies)
Cllr Jack Rose (SBC and SCC)

15/06/26/2

Declaration of interests:

None declared.

15/06/26/3

Public Open Forum:

- Contractors have been out to look at the blocked gullies in Seighford.
- Many parents still parking at the front of Cooper Perry Primary School during school transport hours.

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Planning Applications:

26/41767/LBC – at Seighford Barn, Clanford Road, Great Bridgeford. Proposed change of use of the Seighford Hall Barn to a school (Class F1 Learning and Non-Residential Institution (for the provision of education)).

26/41766/FUL – at Seighford Barn, Clanford Road, Great Bridgeford. Proposed change of use of the Seighford Hall Barn to a school (Class F1 Learning and Non-Residential Institution (for the provision of education)).

Members considered both applications and noted that concerns remained regarding increased traffic, safe access to the proposed school site and adequate parking provision. The application has been called in by SBC and SCC Cllr Jack Rose due to these concerns.

Aaron Bibby, representing Seighford Hall, responded:

- The school would be registered for 36 children.

- Funding generated would contribute towards future refurbishment works required at Seighford Hall.
- Drop-off and pick-up times would be static every day.

It was resolved to object to both applications due to these on-going concerns regarding increased traffic and unsafe access to the proposed school site, specifically due to the unlit roads, blind bends and absence of footways.

Proposed: Cllr Price | Seconded: Cllr Wilkes

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Parish Reports:

- a) County/Borough Councillors (for information only)
- b) Parish Councillors (for information only)

- Cllr Hayward reported that quotes are being sought for resurfacing the car park at Cooper Perry Primary School with the aim of encouraging greater use by parents and reducing parking on the road at the front of the school. .
- Cllr Burgess mentioned that silt blocking drains on Newport Road continues to cause flooding.
- Dog fouling continues to be a problem on the Derrington track and Millenium Green. Cllr Wilkes suggested re-introducing the provision of dog disposal bags.
- Playground maintenance yet to begin on Great Bridgeford playing field.
- Grass still too long on The Great Bridgeford playing field. **Action: Cllr Busby to follow up with Triple H Contracts.**
- Moles active on Seighford playfield.
- Seighford field multi-play in poor condition. **Action: Cllr Busby to call Elevate Play and arrange to meet at the field to discuss a solution.**

- c) Chairman (for information only)

- Derrington fete on 4 July 26

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Council Priorities and Objectives

To review and agree the council's key priorities and objectives for the forthcoming year (YE March 27).

1. To explore speeding prevention measures through Seighford village.
Action: Cllr Busby to discuss with Diane Firkins.
2. Councillors to explore the purchase of double swings for Seighford field.
Action: Cllr Hayward to obtain some quotes.

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Speed Watch:

To consider the purchase of two spare rechargeable batteries for the Community Speed Watch speed detection device used by Great Bridgeford Community Speed Watch, at a total cost of £19.98 and any associated expenditure if deemed appropriate.

It was resolved to fund these at a cost of £19.98

Proposed: Cllr Price | Seconded: Cllr Hayward

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- a) To receive and note the internal audit report
Councillors noted the internal audit report.
- b) To agree and sign the Certificate of Exemption
Proposed: Cllr Price | Seconded: Cllr Wilkes. Approved
- c) To agree the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1 of the Annual Return)
Proposed: Cllr Price | Seconded: Cllr Wilkes. Approved
- d) To agree the Annual Accounting Statements (Section 2 of the Annual Return)
Proposed: Cllr Burgess | Seconded: Cllr Hayward. Approved.
- e) To note the date of announcement and the commencement/ end dates for the public inspection period.
Noted by councillors.
- f) To approve accounts for payment.
Proposed: Cllr Price | Seconded: Cllr Wilkes. Approved.

Next meeting: The next meeting of Seighford Parish Council will be held on Monday 20 July 2026 at Seighford Village Hall.

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 20:41.