

At the Ordinary Meeting of Breaston Parish Council held on Monday the 9th of March 2026, which commenced at 7.00pm at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

Present:

Councillors Fisher, Elliott, Mounsey, Wells, Miller, Parkinson, Salt, Crannage, Beeching & Buckthorpe

Cllr Lawson Derbyshire County Council

Cllr Mills Erewash Borough Council

4 members of the public

Police Session

PCSO Doar sent the following note: I have nothing to report from a crime point of view, apart from concerns relating to the junction of Stevens Lane/Risley Lane/Longmoor Lane where the road signs and markings are a cause for concern after another road traffic accident on the junction. The bike marking event went well until the RTC happened and she has been out to visit the Breaston 1st Beavers, an event that went really well. The clerk has submitted a report to DCC for the line markings to be inspected and any necessary repainting to be carried out.

The Clerk provided the following report for January

Crime Statistics	January		Key	
Long Eaton Rural Area		36	Violent & Sexual Offences	VSO
Risley	4		Drugs	D
Breaston	15		Public Order	PO
Draycott	13		Possession of a weapon	POW
Stanton by Dale	0		Vehicle Crime	VC
Dale Abbey	0		Anti-Social Behaviour	ASB
Stanton Ironworks	4		Criminal Damage & Arson	CDA
Church Wilne	0			
	36			
Breaston				
Bridgefield	PO	1		
Draycott Road	ASB	1		
Earlswood Close	OT	1		
Grange Avenue	VSO	1		
Kirkfield Drive	VSO	2		
Co-op	SL	5		
Goldenbrook Close	PO	1		
Hawthorn Avenue	Burglary	2		
Wilsthorpe Road/Nr Petrol Station	Drugs	1		
		15		

Reports from outside bodies:

Erewash Borough Council – Cllr Mills

Cllr Mills reported that the Full Council meeting had approved the budget and confirmed that there would be no increase in the Borough Council's element of Council Tax for 2026/27. Two motions had been submitted; however, the Councillors who proposed them were not in attendance to present or support the proposals. A proposal to remove parking charges completely was considered but was not approved.

Cllr Mills also enquired about the recent meeting concerning the £180,000 Parish Fund. The Clerk confirmed that the purpose of the meeting had been to determine how the funding would be allocated. Parishes had been asked to indicate their preferred option from five possible funding models. Once a decision has been made regarding the funding levels, parishes will be required to submit an application in a similar manner to other grant funding schemes. The Borough Council hopes that the fund will create a lasting legacy for the area. It is anticipated that full details of the grant scheme will be circulated shortly, enabling parishes to prepare and submit applications.

Erewash Borough Council – Cllr Miller

- £600K State-of-the-art cardio equipment is to be installed at leisure centre, to track levels of fitness.
- Broad Street canal bridge has been removed to make way for the new bridge.
- The company that built the Forth Railway bridge will build the new bridge.
- Pay for your brown bin, £25, before 31st March, after it is £37, do it now!
- The pavement licence fee has been abolished for café and pub owners, to save them money.
- The future of Erewash voluntary action which is crucial to supporting more than 400 groups was under threat as DCC were removing funding, EBC have stepped in to fill the funding gap.
- Erewash car parks will be free on Saturdays; to help local shops, parking is already free on Sundays.
- HMOs, EBC has seen an increase in homes being purchased to turn them into houses of multiple occupancy, EBC to crack down on applications.
- Government launches consultation on future of local government in Erewash.
- EBC will consider how to improve biodiversity and local energy.
- Bus shelters are to have £50k upgrade.

Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Miller reported a quiet period for the group; the police had confiscated 31 illegal e scooters across the county during February. A total of 700 e scooters have been seized since November 2024. The next board meeting is due to be held later in the week.

Risley Educational Foundation

At the meeting held on the 10th of February 2026, at Harrison's Cottage, Risley

1. Chair, Roger Jones, has stepped down from his role after many years' service to the Foundation. He will remain a trustee of the charity
2. Paul Harvey was nominated as the new Chair and accepted the nomination.
3. Finances for the Foundation remain sound, with income and spend being balanced
4. 3 further student grant requests were received and approved at £600 per student
5. Grants for local schools and Sunday Schools were approved and paid out in January 2026, a total of £19,853 for schools, and £3,970 to five Sunday Schools at £794 each
6. Schools are Friesland (£10.7K), Cloudside (£2.4K), Ladycross (£1.2K), Firfield (£3.9K), Draycott (£0.8K), Risley (£0.7K). Allocations are based on the size of the school roll.
7. The trust is looking to rebalance risk in its investments and has received a proposal to switch to an Aegon General Investment Account which will be considered at the next meeting

Derbyshire County Council

Cllr Lawson reported in response to Cllr Miller's report that the decision to cut funding to the volunteer group was made prior to the election by the previous administration.

The Budget at the County Council had been voted through with an increase of 4.9%. The increase was required due to the Government settlement changes which equated to a reduction in real terms. The settlement 1.9% over the next 3 years however inflation is highly likely to be higher. Demands on services are increasing not reducing, particularly adult and children's social care, with children's services currently overspending the budget allotted.

There are plans for more spending on highway maintenance and it is expected that in the current financial year £50 million will be spent, with plans to spend a further £70 million per year over the next two years. This is not entirely spent on pothole repairs with many other calls on the budget such as landslips, tree maintenance with Ash die back being a real problem, where many trees have had to be felled.

A report is being submitted to Cabinet later in the week to approve expenditure on flood alleviation work in Breaston, Draycott & Ockbrook and Borrowwash. The fund £700,000 will be spent on schemes to alleviate flooding in hot spot areas within the parishes over the next three years.

Cllr Parkinson enquired if the reporting protocols were still operating where Councillors were requested to send in a list of roads/pavements that could be added to the capital programme for maintenance in the following financial year. Cllr Lawson confirmed that he had submitted a list of roads including Victoria Avenue in Borrowwash to the list but that none of his suggestions had been accepted. He asked that if any particularly bad areas were known that they should be reported on the DCC system and also let him know so that he can follow up on any particular problems.

What is not clear to most residents is how the system to repair the highways works. During poor wet weather during the winter potholes are often temporary patched and will then be properly repaired when conditions allow. Unfortunately, there has been a lack of investment over the past 10-15 years, and they are now trying to play catch up. It is hoped that we will see a significant improvement over the coming months.

Public Session

None.

145/25 Apologies for Absence –

Cllrs Patrick & Dale and PCSO Doar

146/25 Declaration of Members Interest –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none**.

147/25 Dispensations –

to report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with S31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none**.

148/25 Approval of the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 9th February

It was PROPOSED & SECONDED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 9th of February.

149/25 Correspondence

none

150/25 Clerk's Report

None

151/25 Environment Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th March 2026 at 9.00am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

- 1. Agenda Summons**
- 2. Public Session: none.**
- 3. Present:**

Cllr Salt (Chair) Cllrs Elliott, Patrick, Fisher, Miller, Mounsey, Beeching, Wells, & Dale

Apologies:

Cllrs Crannage, Buckthorpe & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none**.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- **none**.

6. Flood Issues–

a) Flood Action Plan Document

it was RESOLVED to note the following updates:

Land north of the Hills Road Estate

The Clerk and Grounds Maintenance Manager held a further site meeting to endeavour to identify the location of the cables mentioned by the landowner, to no avail. The Clerk made enquiries with National Grid, who were extremely helpful providing an exact map of the location, which was passed to Mr Fox to assist with the quoting process. The resulting costs totaled at £10,824.05 this would equate to the following:

Peveril Eastern Landowner 50% - £5,412.02 incl

EMH - 6 properties = £2,497.86

7 properties remaining at £416.31 per household. Following lengthy discussion, it was RESOLVED to note the necessity to word the letter very carefully to ensure that everyone was under no illusion about where responsibility for the work lay. Clerk to circulate letter for approval.

Goldenbrook –

a large group of engineers were spotted viewing the brook adjacent to no.61 Draycott road at the beginning of this week – it will be interesting to see if any work results.

Longmoor Lane Ditch

Thankfully the work was completed and the brash removed prior to the beginning of another couple of weeks of solid rain, the ditch and all of the watercourses through the cemetery worked well.

Riparian Owners Letter

The Clerk has not been able to get a definitive list of addresses where properties are riparian owners. A short meeting needs to be held to look at the maps and resolve on a list, Clerk and Cllr Salt to organise.

7. Applications –

The following applications have been considered by the committee who made the following recommendations:

PA/2026/0049 – 8 Hills Road, proposed single storey rear extension with exterior alterations to existing dwelling – the Parish Council had no objections.

PA/2026/0049 – Breaston Cemetery, Longmoor Lane - T1 Horse Chestnut - Fell and treat stump with eco-plugs T2 Lime (Silver Pendant) - Fell and treat stump with eco-plugs T3 Lime (Silver Pendant) - Fell and treat stump with eco-plugs T4 Lime (Silver Pendant) - Fell and treat stump with eco-plugs T5 Lime (Silver Pendant) - Fell and treat stump with eco-plugs – The Parish Council was not consulted regarding this issue and, given the ongoing insurance claim, is placing full responsibility on its insurance provider to manage and resolve the matter.

8. The Decisions –

The following decisions have been made by Erewash Borough Council

ERE/1125/0034 - Rye Hill Farm, Mill Hill Lane - Conversion and change of use of an agricultural building to form a single dwellinghouse – The Parish Council had no objections. The application was refused by Erewash Borough Council on the 6.2.26.

ERE/1125/0037 - The Hollies, Risley Lane - Remodelling of existing bungalow, to include erection of two storey rear flat roof extension, single storey rear extension, single storey front extension with

bay window, window and door alterations, addition of roof lights, addition of external render, replacement roof tiles, removal of chimney. Removal of existing lean-to porch and erection of open porch to side. Demolition of existing outbuilding and replacement with new detached garage outbuilding. – the Parish Council had no objections. The application was refused by Erewash Borough Council on the 20.2.26.

9. Additional Planning & Enforcement Issues:

a) Field Close unauthorised dwelling.

It was RESOLVED to note that the correspondence with the council tax team had drawn a blank, therefore the clerk had sent an email to the enforcement team seeking an update on progress with their case file.

b) Breach of Conditions – Fence, 5 Holt Croft Close - ERE/1019/0023

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk had sent a further chasing email to the enforcement team seeking an update on progress with their case file.

10. Westernmere School Site

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk had emailed the Parish Council's response to the team at Peveril on the 23.2.26. No response as yet.

11. Biodiversity Action Plan – Cllr Salt

a) Water Butt Cemetery Chapel.

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk has been researching some slimline water butts and will pass on the information to Mr Fisher in due course.

12. Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust- Erewash 'Buildings at Risk' Project

It was RESOLVED to note that the details of the Litho Factory were sent to the DHBT team on the 25.2.26. A further response has been received, and the Clerk will work on the contents in due course.

13. National Planning Policy Framework Consultation

It was RESOLVED to note the document and that the Clerk would draft the Parish Council response prior to the deadline on the 10th of March.

14. Councillor's Reports

a) The In Bloom Team – Cllr Salt

It was RESOLVED to note that the team had received 369 pairs of glasses as part of their recent charitable collection. The next collection is for ring pulls – see their Facebook page for details.

b) National Grid Updated Consultation – Cllr Elliott

It was RESOLVED to note the consultation which was circulated by the Clerk. The changes to the route did not affect Breaston and therefore no comments were made.

c) Cherry Tree – Stevens Lane – Cllr Crannage

It was RESOLVED to note the further concerns raised by Cllr Crannage in relation to the damage done to the tree. The Clerk had made a report to the Tree Officer at EBC, and the case had been given a reference ENF/2026/0018. Clerk to monitor the case.

The meeting closed at 9.55am

**152/25 Finance Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday
4th of March 2026 at 9.55am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane,
Breaston.**

1. Summons

2. Public Session: none

3. Present:

Cllr Beeching (Chair) Cllrs Mounsey, Miller, Patrick, Fisher, Wells & Salt

Also Present:

Cllrs Dale & Elliott

Apologies:

Cllrs Crannage, Buckthorpe & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – **none**.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none**.

6. Bank Balances as at 28.2.2026.

Nat West Current Account	£ 1,283.84
Nat West Reserve Account	£ 19,533.44
Hampshire Trust Bank	£ 90,000.00
Unity Trust Reserve Account	£ 4,470.11
Hinckley & Rugby Reserve A/C	£ 5,302.43
Gala Account	<u>£ 933.10</u>
Total	£121,522.92

7. Reconciliation Sign Off

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Wells will sign off the reconciliation documents and bank statements for February at full council on the 9th.

8. Budget 2026-7

It was RESOLVED to note the information and that Cllr Beeching, and the Clerk would set a date for a meeting to finalise the budget document.

9. Councillor's Reports

None

The meeting closed at 10.00am

153/25 General Purposes Committee held on Wednesday the 4th of March at 10.00am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session: none.

3. Present:

Cllr Mounsey (Chair) Cllrs Beeching, Wells, Dale, Elliott, Salt, Patrick, Fisher, & Miller

Apologies:

Cllrs Crannage, Buckthorpe & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests –

to enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct. – **none**.

5. Dispensations –

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – **none**.

6. Dementia Friends Session

It was RESOLVED to note that the Clerk had updated the website with details of the University for the third age, Age UK and further information from the DCC website. It was agreed that a date would be organised for a Thursday lunchtime in St Michael's following on from a Renew Café. Clerk to make the arrangements.

7. Gala Update

It was RESOLVED to note the information relating to the siting of the caving rig, if it is impossible to get the truck onto the field it will be sited outside the Parish Rooms. It was agreed that a £1 fee would be charged per go. The provision of a card reader on the entrances was revisited and the Clerk and Cllr Patrick to investigate further.

8. Annual Parish Meeting Format

It was RESOLVED to note the proposed date for the Annual Parish Meeting 19th May 7pm Methodist Church Hall. Cllr Beeching & Salt will be away all others will be in attendance.

9. Mayor's Award 2026

It was RESOLVED to note that the nomination was submitted on the 25.2.26.

10. Work Placement Enquiry

The Clerk continues to liaise with the applicant and will report back as soon as a meeting has been held.

11. Councillor's Reports

None.

The meeting closed at 10.20am

154/25 Parks & Cemeteries Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th of March at 10.20am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons

2. Public Session – none.

3. Present:

Cllr Miller (Chair) Cllrs Buckthorpe, Dale, Wells, Beeching, Mounsey, Fisher, Patrick, Salt & Elliott

Apologies:

Cllrs Crannage & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – none.

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011 – none.

6. Risk Management –

a) 2000 Bench

It was RESOLVED to note the bench has been installed.

b) Toddler Swing/Flat Swing

The maintenance officer had marked the swings out of order after finding that three of the swings have deteriorated and require replacement. The Clerk secured a price to replace all 4 for £500.00. It was RESOLVED to go ahead and replace all four of the seats.

7. Perks Park

It was RESOLVED to note the information:

New Entrance – Rectory Road –

The application to the Vernon Bowmer Trust was submitted 12.2.26.

The quotation from Alpha Rail was accepted and the order placed on the 20.02.26 they gave an 8–10-week lead time and the clerk had passed this information onto Atlow Construction they have booked in the installation and suggested that the dropped kerb application be submitted at the beginning of April.

MUGA

The Clerk confirmed the contract with Streetscape and now that the weather looks a little more promising the team are hoping to get along to do the work this coming week.

Green Space Signage –

No photographs have been received from residents. The team at Long Eaton library looked at their archive and unfortunately, they didn't hold any of the park. Clerk to investigate with the County archive in case they have any. Cllr Elliott to provide the Clerk with a copy of the 1934 Covenant. Cllr Mounsey to ask Mrs Adcock if she has any photos or footage of the site.

8. Chapel –

• Windows

The team from the Smashing Glass Company were on site on the 2nd of February to measure up for the replacement windows, now the leaded glass expert would begin the task of building the replacement panels.

• Plaque

The plaque has been installed.

The Clerk circulated a draft trifold leaflet of information about the chapel for distribution to the local funeral directors and the team at EBC. A price has been secured from the printers for artwork and printing

To lay out the artwork – £45.00 - + VAT

Price for 200 Printed on 130gsm Gloss Folded to DL size £66.00

Price for 300 Printed on 130gsm Gloss Folded to DL size £90.00

Price for 400 Printed on 130gsm Gloss Folded to DL size £112.00

It was RESOLVED to go ahead with 400 prints – proof to be circulated in due course.

9. Play Area Inspection

a) Replacement of Wicksteed Climbing Frame

Cllr Dale had completed the video, and the Clerk will share it shortly via the website and Facebook pages. Clerk has started to produce a poster for display on site and on the noticeboards.

10. Box Hedge

a) Cemetery

The Clerk requested amended quotes from the contractors who provided previous quotes and has a meeting booked with the representative of Horizon Landscapes on 12th March.

11. Cemetery Sign

Mr Fisher is removing the sign from site this week and will provide a quote for the work required in due course.

12. Pavilion Mural

No further information has been received as yet. The Clerk will continue to liaise with the team at Erewash Borough Council.

13. Borough & Parish Forum – Cllr Wells

• Erewash Funding

It was RESOLVED to note that Cllr Beeching and the Clerk attended the meeting at Ilkeston Town Hall on the 24th of February the clerk shared the slides from the meeting Parishes were asked to give their thoughts on the best way for the funds to be “shared” it is hoped that the results and instructions on how to apply will be circulated by the borough council before the end of the month.

14. Cemetery CCTV - Cllr Patrick

The clerk had secured a quote from Eagle Security to give Cllrs an idea of the costs involved. It was RESOLVED to revisit the proposal at the April meeting when the 2025/6 finances had been finalised.

15. Grave Digging

To note the information received regarding health and safety arrangements for open graves in the period leading up to an interment. The advice provided by EBC and the ICCM was considered, and options including bespoke aluminium shoring and lockable grave covers were investigated. It was noted that the associated costs were prohibitive and that any control measures adopted must be proportionate to the assessed level of risk.

It was further noted that there is no recorded history of any person falling into an open grave at the site.

The Clerk reported that safety chains and appropriate warning notices have now been procured and will be placed around any open graves going forward. In addition, the gravedigger will be requested to ensure that all graves are fully covered with boards when unattended.

With regard to the requirement for shoring, the gravedigger confirmed that, due to the high-water table on site, cave-ins are highly likely. He therefore uses timber shoring for all graves as a matter of course to ensure his own safety.

It was also agreed that, for risk management and insurance purposes, photographic records will be taken of each grave and retained to document the safety measures in place and to provide an evidential record in the event of any future claim. Cllr Patrick confirmed that EBC were still not locking the chapel gate Clerk to report to the team.

16. Councillor's Reports

a) Community Forum – Car Boot Sale 11.7.26 – Cllr Salt

The Forum would like to hold the car boot sale again on the morning of Saturday the 11th of July. Clerk to liaise for risk assessment etc.

b) Duffield Close Paths – Cllr Beeching

As reported by a resident at the February meeting the paths on Duffield Close in wet weather are puddling quite badly. Further investigation is required and will be reconsidered in the new financial year.

The meeting closed at 11.10am

155/25 Highways & Lighting Committee of Breaston Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th March at 11.10am at the Parish Council Meeting Rooms, Blind Lane, Breaston.

1. Agenda Summons –

2. Public Session – none

3. Present:

Cllr Wells (Chair) Cllrs Dale, Beeching, Mounsey, Miller, Fisher, Patrick, Buckthorpe, Salt & Elliott

Apologies –

Cllrs Crannage & Parkinson

4. Declaration of Members Interests:

To enable any Councillors to indicate any items on the agenda in which they have a personal or pecuniary interest in accordance with the Parish Council's Code of Conduct – none

5. Dispensations:

To report on and consider any requests for dispensation in accordance with s31 of the Localism Act 2011- none

6. Potholes/Street Lights/Overhanging Vegetation –

a) Highways Report: Potholes on the Highway

It was RESOLVED to note the updated report and the complete lack of any response from the Highways Team.

7. Christmas Lights

a) Electricity

It was RESOLVED to note that the issue remains a concern, the clerk continues to liaise with British Gas and the Liquidator regarding the funds owed. The issue relating to the charging received from Valda was resolved. Further correspondence relating to electricity supply was sent to EDF about the lack of invoicing for the Pavilion electricity.

8. Dropped Kerb Request

It was RESOLVED to note the correspondence with Openreach regarding the request and the charge for over £1583 to just survey the site. Unfortunately, the route to a solution that Cllr Dale had investigated was fruitless. The Clerk had sent a further email to the team at Openreach to encourage them to carry out remedial work to improve the situation for those with limited mobility.

9. Councillor's Reports

a) Sawley Road – Clerk.

The Clerk reported that Cllr Miller had received further correspondence relating to the state of the road surface around the site of the new water treatment plant. The correspondent had been referred to the County Councillors responsible and invited to the March meeting. Cllr Lawson reported that he has been chasing this matter up with the team.

The meeting closed at 11.20am

156/25 Highways & Lighting DCC Reports Update

Highways Report Mar 26 Update			
Location	Problem	Reported	Case Number
<p>o/s 109 Longmoor Lane</p> <p>considered STW damaged some drainage connections, and we are continuing work with them for these to be repaired. The streetworks inspector is still acting on this and will do so until it's resolved.</p>	<p>Sunken road previously reported still not repaired causes large puddle which drowns pedestrians when vehicles unavoidably drive through it</p> <p>With Cadent for resolution if not resolved (I can't see the streetworks system as it's a government utilities system) Sent Email to CC 6.1.25 & 28.1.25 querying who is responsible. (9.2.25) So sorry for the delay in replying. This is back with Severn Trent, and I spoke to my contact there on it, and they'd accidentally closed the case. So, they've reopened it and are liaising with the local NRSWA inspector on our side – so hoping that's progress to getting it finally sorted! Sadly, still sinking!</p>	21.11.23	<p>FS Case 563622017 FS Case 460130607</p> <p>Cadent Ref No: 10727156 Stern email to Cadent 28.8.25 -NO FS-Case-751498375 given this number 24.9.25 forwarded Cadent's response email to DCC 19.9.25 and again on the 24.9.25. Being investigated. Inspected and photographed by DCC officers 7.10.25 shortly after a bumpy road surface warning sign appeared on the verge. The Bumpy Road sign has disappeared, but the sinking ground remains and has now been joined by a pothole at the eastern edge. Small pothole fixed – sinking ground continues to sink and causes a huge puddle in wet weather. A resident appears to be unhappy with the bumpy road sign, when we moved it back out onto the verge, they have removed it again!</p>
<p>the jitty between Meadow Close and Bourne Square</p> <p>being dealt with by highways and local</p>	<p>Trees overhanging the path and roof of 33 Bourne Square – thought to be on the highway</p> <p>being dealt with by highways and local inspector. Tree report</p>	RS/NO 2.7.24	<p>FS-Case-627453357 Officer update requested CH Any response yet? Any update? Still waiting for a response on this one.</p>

inspector. Tree report underway.	underway. Will then be actioned, as necessary.		
Wilsthorpe Road CC chasing update on this one	Damaged Bollard Job raised for replacement	GE/NO 25.9.24	FS-Case-649794000 Officer update requested CH STILL NOT WORKING Any Update? Still waiting for an update.
Draycott Road Enforcement process underway with landowner	Overhanging Hedge As before – will be resolved through this process if not already cut.	NO 26.9.24	FS-Case-649941632 Officer Update requested CH Any update? Still waiting for an update.
Wilsthorpe Rd	Obscured sign 1 Poplar Road	GE/NO 3.3.25	FS-Case-692342267 Letter has been sent to landowners asking them to cut back vegetation note on system Officer Update requested CH Letter sent to residents to ensure that the signage is kept clear and to cut back hedge to boundary line. 22.9.25 Any update?
Junction of Draycott Road and The Crescent	Overhanging hedge resident report	NO 06.03.25	FS-Case-693416465 Being dealt with by local inspector Letter to the owners of the hedge requesting that it be cut has been requested Any Update?
Longmoor Lane opposite the junction with Poplar Road	Street Lighting Column 7220 light on during the day	NO 23.06.25	FS-Case-725273848
Main Street outside Co-op	Sunken maintenance cover on pavement bad trip hazard	AD/NO 1.7.25	FS-Case-727546231 marked as in progress – covered with a cone Cone has been removed but the hole remains Any Update?
42 Draycott Road	Overhanging hedge forcing pedestrians onto the highway.	CE/J/NO 16.7.25	FS-Case-731696681 marked as in progress Any Update? No response as yet
Highway Verge The Crescent, Risley Lane. Ditch/Brook overgrown	The ditch-brook is very badly overgrown, and residents have raised concerns that blockages may exacerbate flood risk.	Rebecca Atkins/NO 6.8.25	FS-Case-737258519 Marked as Your report or request is being processed on the system. Residents confirm no work has been undertaken

			Chasing Email sent 27.1.26 Still no work undertaken, could we have an update please?
The Green outside the Dental Centre	Services cover has been damaged causing it to lift and present a trip hazard	LB/NO 7.8.25	FS-Case-737625959 The officer couldn't see the problem and an email was received by the clerk on the 11.8.25. A response with photos was sent on the 15/8/25 highlighting that the cover was actually a drain cover. Any Update? Still awaiting a response.
Longmoor Lane Show Field Hedge	Overhanging hedge causing pedestrians to have to walk in the road	Kelly Anne Wilson FB message NO 15.8.25	FS-Case-740735132 Marked as Your report or request is being processed on the system Report received that the hedge is the responsibility of DCC and that a works order has been submitted.
o/s 104 Wilsthorpe Road	Raised service chamber cover	K Dove NO 13.08.25	FS-Case-741464446 Marked as Your report or request is being processed on the system Any Update? No response as yet
DCC have created this report this is the Earlswood Bridge – they have a new system and have transferred some items from the previous list over?	Not sure what's happening with other old reports will continue to monitor	18.8.25 – renewal of previous cases FS-Case-725275312 and FS-Case-701839603	FS-Case-741953885 See cases above nos: FS-Case-725275312 & FS-Case-701839603 Linked to grey highlighted item above a new number has been allocated as the job has been moved onto a new computer system. Residents report that the bridge continues to deteriorate with dangerous handrail and screws sticking out at foot level. Email sent to ROW team 21.1.26 Further photos added to the system The end of the platform is now non-existent 10.2.26 Could we have a progress report please?
Bridlepath 11 between Sawley	The path is extremely overgrown narrowing the width leaving it	18.8.25 A Wood NO	FS-Case-742048131

Road, Breaston and Wilne Road, Church Wilne	very difficult for riders to pass pedestrians safely. There are often livestock in an adjacent field which adds to the problem.		Any Update? No response as yet.
Bridleway 26	The bridleway is very overgrown in the past concrete blocks were installed to prevent motorcycles, they now present a danger to riders and walkers	18.8.25 A Wood NO	FS-Case-742056276. Any Update? No response as yet.
Footpath 10 between bridleway 11 and 31 and Bridleway 3	During previous floods, a fence was brought down and is now badly overgrown with vegetation, making the wire fence a trip hazard. Also, Bridleway 3 badly overgrown with gorse.		FS-Case-744521545 Any Update? No response as yet
Jitty between Festival Avenue and Draycott Road The hedge line on the eastern side of the path as you walk from Festival Avenue out to Draycott Road	Seriously overgrown by some 3 feet according to residents reporting the problem	GR/NO 7.10.25	FS-Case-755179364 Residents report that the hedge is still badly overgrown is there any progress to report? No response as yet
Hawthorn Ave	Light out 7147	GF/NO	FS-Case-757637112 Any Update? No response as yet
2 Stevenson Avenue	Overgrown hedge that extends along Albert Road too	DM/NO 17.10.25	FS-Case-757926978 Any Update? No response as yet
Junction of Firfield Avenue & Wilsthorpe Road	Overgrown hedge impeding sight lines	RC/NO 22.10.25	FS-Case-759005125 Any Update? No response as yet
Poplar Road between the island and Longmoor Lane	Pavement condition generally deteriorating due to HGVs	JG/NO 28.11.25	FS-Case-769321466 Any Update? No response as yet
Poplar Road	There are a number of problem hedges, but 65 Poplar Road has received recent complaints. The hedge is badly overgrowing the pavement forcing pedestrians to walk on the verge which is very muddy and covered in wet leaves that hide the raised Seven Trent Ironworks which are a serious trip hazard	JG/NO 28.11.25	FS-Case-769325453 Any Update? Numerous residents have raised concerns about the pavements/hedges/verges along this stretch of the road. No response as yet
Poplar Road near to junction with Beech Avenue	Drains on road and verge possibly blocked/ damaged cause highway puddling	J Cox NO 18.12.25	FS-Case-774859076 Any Update? No response as yet
Poplar Road	Verges badly damaged by construction vehicles on both	J Cox NO 18.12.25	FS-Case-774865133 Any Update? This report is

	sides of the road despite the works being on the east side of the road.		marked as complete on the system – it has not been done.
Junction of Poplar Road and Longmoor Lane	Residents report that a weight limit sign used to be sited on this junction and is no longer there could it be reinstated please?	J Cox NO 18.12.25	FS-Case-774863097 Any Update? No response as yet
Church View	Drain blocked adj to side door of butchers	AD/NO 18.12.25	FS-Case-774873055 Email sent to HH 27.1.26 to chase for update photos sent Nothing appears to have been done at this site – each time it rains the road is covered over with water.
Sawley Road near to the Goldenbrook	A report has been received that water was crossing the road from both sides near to this drain yesterday	NO 14.01.26	FS-Case-785756499. Any Update?
Street lighting column Poplar Road	Light out 007285	PC/NO 16.01.26	FS-Case-786693166 Any Update?
Wilsthorpe Island	Flags on street lighting columns concern for road safety and damage to columns	NO 29.1.26	FS-Case-792200034 A response was received from Cllr Hill – they will only remove flags if they present a danger to motorists
Sawley Road from the M1 bridge to Firfield School	The number of additional HGV's that have been travelling through this route during the Water Treatment Centre Works have badly impacted the road surface leaving numerous potholes and badly deteriorated surface and repairs need to be undertaken and charged back to Severn Trent Water now that the work is drawing to a close.	RC/GE/NO 5.2.26	FS-Case-795128064 Some patching work has been undertaken 9.3.26. Cllr Lawson to chase up in relation to further correspondence from local residents. STW must be held to account for this work which is entirely down to the development at the water treatment works.
Risley Lane near old library	Residents report the water is over the pavement on one side of the road and vehicles are not slowing down and consequently the front of the old library is being sprayed with water.	CE/NO 6.2.26	FS-Case-795585715 Could we have an update please?
Street Lighting Column 7095	A resident reports the light has been out for over 6 weeks. Concerns related to speeding traffic coming over the railway bridge not being able to see and ending up in their garden have been raised	Mrs Bird/NO 11.2.26	FS-Case-797554767 Could we have an update please?

157/25 Payments & Receipts March 2026

Payee	Description	Amount
Leisure Lites	Removal of Christmas Lights (paid January highlighted by PW reconciliation)	660.00
Clear Councils Insurance	Insurance premium 2026 (paid January highlighted by PW reconciliation)	2,506.46
J Rowlinson	Winter Planting (paid January highlighted by PW reconciliation)	121.05
Mr Christmas Tree	Christmas Tree (paid January highlighted by PW reconciliation)	816.00
Fox Grounds Maintenance	Removal of Box Hedge Cemetery (paid January highlighted by PW reconciliation)	2,364.00
St Michael's Church	Reimbursement for remedial works to floodlights	118.23
L Bulmer	Reimbursement for sundries	11.24
Simply Safety Group	Black & Yellow Chain for marking grave holes	18.59
Everflow	Water Supply at Parish Land	182.97
Valda	Christmas Lights Electricity	-58.42
Nat West	Bank Charges January Current Account	16.69
Valda	Christmas Lights Electricity	14.08
Church Wilne Rotary Satellite	Donation for Easter Bunny 2026 Breaston	150.00
Tom Richards Tree Services	Tree Work Perks Park as per Inspection Report	540.00
Eagle Security Systems	Annual Central Station charge for CCTV Perks Park	678.50
L Bulmer	Reimbursement Petrol February	23.58
Cloud Next	Home Hosting breastonparishcouncil.gov.uk 2026	59.98
Sterilizing Services	Legionella Testing February	42.70
L Bulmer	Wages March	924.03
N O'Leary	Wages March	2,356.05
HMRC	Income Tax/National Insurance March	1,015.45
Derbyshire County Council	Pensions March	1,100.05
EDF	Electricity PCMR February	273.92
EDF	Electricity Chapel February	70.84
Fox Grounds Maintenance	Grounds Maintenance February	1,516.68
EE	Mobile Phone	17.34
Daisy Communications	Broadband & Phone PCMR	65.63
Ebay TrueTraders	Metal Steel Barrier Fencing Pins pk 20	39.99
Total		15,645.63
Gala Expenditure		
Erewash Borough Council	Wheelie Bins Gala Day	440.00
Nat West	Bank Charges January Gala	4.70
Total		444.70
Grand Total Expenditure		16,090.33
Income		
Payer	Description	
Kinton & Daughter	Woodward Exc/Int NM2	581.00
Nat West	Interest	9.70
Total		590.70
Gala Income		
Church Wilne Rotary	Gala Stall - Charity	30.00
Firfield PTA	Gala Stall - Charity	30.00

K Beighton	Gala Stall	40.00
Percy-Cauldwell	Gala Stall	40.00
Breaston Churches Together	Gala Stall – Charity Tea Tent	30.00
Total		170.00
Grand Total Income		760.70

It was proposed and seconded that the above accounts for March be accepted.

158/25 Public Questions

Mr Dakin asked if signs could be displayed in relation to electric bikes being ridden at high speeds along the Sustrans Canal Path. Cllr Fisher reported that there had been signs at the Navigation entrance to the path. Further investigation required.

Mr Fowler reported that the section of the Goldenbrook to the south of Firfield Avenue had been largely cleared by the Environment Agency Team and that since the work had been completed during the recent poor weather the watercourse had not overtopped the bank.

The Clerk reported that the issue in relation to the floodlights on the railway crossing was still ongoing and that she would keep Mr Fowler informed of any progress.

159/25 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is the April Parish Council Meeting and is scheduled for 7pm on Monday April the 13th.

The Meeting Closed at 8.05pm

.....Chair
13.04.26