

LAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LAXTON PARISH MEETING HELD THURSDAY 28 MAY 2026 7PM

THE VICTORY HALL, LAXTON

1.ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE DURATION OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Councillor J Goulden – Chair of Laxton Parish Council – was in the chair.

PRESENT

H Linfoot

J Goulden

J Huntley

G Moore

M Yarrow

S Yarrow

T Watson

J Thompson

A Mosley

2.APOLOGIES for the Annual Parish Meeting

None

3.CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MINUTES – 2025. No copies of the minutes were made available. A copy will be made available for the next ANNUAL PARISH meeting for confirmation in 2027.

4. REVIEW OF 2025/26 REPORTS

- Chairman to the Parish council – received
- Jane Thompson – Church warden – St Peters Church, Laxton – received
- Jane Thompson – Laxton & Saltmarshe charity -received.
- Amanda Mosley – Victory Hall – a full verbal report was given.

5.OPEN FORUM

- One question raised regarding the church/new rector and the new working partnership with Goole Parish Church and the Sheffield Diocese

There being further business the meeting closed.

CHAIRMAN

LAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 28 MAY 2026

FOLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING IN THE VICTORY HALL, LAXTON

1.ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE COMING YEAR – Following the resignation of Councillor Goulden as Chair, Councillor J Huntley was duly elected. The members thanked Councillor Goulden for her hard work as Chair over the past years.

2.APOLOGIES

None

PRESENT

Councillors: Linfoot, Goulden, Huntley, Moore, Yarrow, Yarrow, Watson

2 members of the public

3.ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

4.ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE COMING YEAR: - Councillor Moore was duly elected.

5.CONFIRMATION OF ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 2025. No copy minutes were made available. A copy will be made available for the next ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING for confirmation in 2027.

6.CONFIRMATION OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDITORS

It was resolved to continue with RACKHAMS for the internal audit and with PJK LITTLEJOHN for the external audit.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

CHAIRMAN

LAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

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FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH AND THE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETINGS IN THE VICTORY HALL, LAXTON

1.APOLOGIES

None

PRESENT

Councillors Huntley – Chair, Linfoot, Goulden, Moore, Yarrow, Yarrow, Watson

2 members of the public

2.CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – March 2026. No copy of the minutes available. A copy will be made available for the July 2026 parish council meeting for signing.

3.ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None

4.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

*5.ELECTION OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEMBERS - Councillors Watson, M Yarrow and Goulden

*6.ELECTION OF SALTMARSHE AND LAXTON CHARITY – Councillor S Yarrow (with V Williamson)

*7.ELECTION OF SIXPENNY WOOD WIND FARM REPRESENTATIVE – Councillor Linfoot

*8.ELECTION OF LAXTON ALLOTMENT REPRESENTATIVE – Councillor S Yarrow

*9.CONFIRMAION OF MEETING DATES FOR 2026-2027

22 July, 30 September, 25 November 2026, 27 January. 31 March and 19 May 2027.

10.TO RECEIVE ACTION LOG – received

11.TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM WARD COUNCILLORS

None

12.TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

- GENERATOR SERVICING – it was resolved for Councillor Watson to approach both CHEESEMANS and RUSSELLS regarding the servicing of some equipment.
- ROAD MAINTENANCE – it was resolved for the Clerk to contact Highways ERY Council regarding, what is considered to be, life threatening road surface conditions throughout the parish.

13.CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA – Newsletter - March
- Northern Rail – CCTV request – it was resolved to defer to the next appropriate meeting for further discussion regarding the position and number of cameras.
- ERYC Winter Maintenance – salt bins to be inspected.
- ERNLLCA - Newsletter – April
- PSCO Liz Johnson – CCTV Information
- Howden Clerk – CCTV Information
- ERYC – Planning consultation
- ERNLLCA conference Invitation
- PWLB – Outstanding balance £6,000 approx. outstanding
- Parish Open Door – TMCE Expression of Interest
- ERYC – Town and Parish Council meeting invitation
- ERNLLCA – Martyn's Law
- School Playground Company – complimentary visit – deferred for further discussion

14.TO DISCUSS PLANNING APPLICATION

Planning application – 26/00850/PLF erection of single storey extensions to front and side following demolition of existing garage, erection of porch to side, construction of new roof with dormers to front and roof lights to rear, installation of first and second floor windows to side and conversion of loft space to form additional living accommodation at High Metham Farmhouse, Celery Bank, Laxton. The parish council had no observations or objections to this planning application and will respond accordingly.

15.TO AGREE TO SUBMIT EXEMPTION FROM EXTERNAL AUDIT

The A.G.A.R. has been received back from internal audit by RACKHAMS and was signed by the Chair and Acting Clerk and will be forwarded to PJK LITTLEJOHN.

Minute reference numbers – LPC/5.2026/0001 and LPC/5.2026/300.

16.TO APPROVE SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – April and May 2026

Payments made:

ERNLLCA – subs	£332.53
Tesco Mobile	21.63
P Hunt	65.17
A Bradburn – gardening	25.00
PWL - loan	1,570.72

16.TO APPROVE SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – April and May 2026 contd.....

Payments received:

HMRC vat reclaim	119.73
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ERYC - PRECEPT	3,864.00
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Allotment rent	40.00
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Allotment rent	20.00
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Allotment rent	50.00
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Payments to be made:

P Hunt	232.60
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HMRC	41.20
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16.TO AGREE ANY AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING JULY 2026

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

CHAIRMAN

*THESE ITEMS SHOULD BE WITHIN THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA



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LAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public and press are invited to address the parish council during the PUBLIC PARTICIPATION agenda item at the meeting to be held Wednesday 22 July 2026.

LAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

You are summoned to attend the parish council meeting to be held Wednesday

22 July 2026 7pm The Victory Hall, Laxton.

AGENDA

- 1.APOLOGIES/PRESENT
- 2.CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – March and May 2026
- 3.REVIEW OF ANNUAL PARISH AND ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 2026
- 4.ANY OUTSTANDING ITEMS
- 5.ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS
- 6.CORRESPONDENCE - FOR NOTING AND FOR ACTION
 - 1) Telephone Exchange historic detail received 31 July 2026
 - 2) Fly tipping e-mail from PC Liz Johnson received 17 June 2026
7. ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS:
 - 7.1) Roads & Weeds in gutters
 - 7.2) Church Close parking
 - 7.3) Allotment Equipment
 - 7.4) Maintenance of “play” area
 - 7.5) Speed Awareness Sign

7.6) Re-siting of Planter

7.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

8.PLANNING: To note decision made by ERYC –

26/00850/PLF: Erection of single storey extensions to front and side following demolition of existing garage, erection of porch to side, construction of new roof with dormers to front and rooflights to rear, installation of first and second floor windows to side and conversion of loft space to form additional living accommodation at High Metham Farmhouse Celery Bank, Laxton. Decision granted subject to 4 conditions.

9.REPORTS – to receive any reports in writing before the meeting

10.PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

10.FINANCE

- AGAR
- ACCOUNTS for May 2026
- ACCOUNTS for June 2026
- ACCOUNTS for July 2026
- TO APPROVE SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS FOR JUNE – JULY 2026

11.DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - The next parish council meeting will be held 30 September 2026 7pm The Victory Hall, Laxton.

N WRIGHT

Parish Clerk

RE: Nitrous canisters

From: "Johnson, Liz 7771" <elizabeth.johnson@humberside.police.uk>
Date: 06/17/2026 11:55
To: "clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk" <clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk>

Hello Jackie,

Thank you for sending that over I will try to come across and have a look in the area over the next few days.

Please do let me know if this becomes a regular occurrence.

Regards,
Liz
PCSO 7771 Johnson
Goole Communities.

From: clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk <clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk>
Sent: 11 June 2026 13:38
To: Johnson, Liz 7771 <elizabeth.johnson@humberside.police.uk>; lindsey.leonard@humberside.police.uk
Subject: Fw: Nitrous canisters

Re[port received from resident FYI

Kind regards,

Jackie Goulden
Laxton Parish Council

From: gilli wharam <gilli.wharam@btconnect.com>
Sent: 08 June 2026 9:31 AM
To: clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk <clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk>
Cc: councillor.watson@laxtonpc.org.uk <councillor.watson@laxtonpc.org.uk>
Subject: Nitrous canisters

Hi

I was asked to report to you that last week I spotted some used Nitrous Oxide canisters in the verge near Saltmarshe park, I collected them and actually found about 20 in the grass along with boxes & balloons. They were found near The Triangle, which is near Saltmarshe Park opposite the first lay-by after the railway house. I will attach a pic of location.

Hoping it was a one off 🙏

Kind regards

Gill Wharam

Mrs N G Wharam Director
Commercial in confidence

Re: Laxton telephone exchange

From: Cllr Goulden <councillor.goulden@laxtonpc.org.uk>
Date: 07/13/2026 14:13
To: Naomi Wright <clerk@laxtonpc.org.uk>
Cc: Judy Huntley <councillor.huntley@laxtonpc.org.uk>, Mick Yarrow
<councillor.mick.yarrow@laxtonpc.org.uk>, Tim Watson <councillor.watson@laxtonpc.org.uk>

Hi everyone

John contacted me directly via WhatsApp last week, I contacted a few people and below are the messages between us:

Dear Councillor Goulden,

Forgive my troubling you on WhatsApp, but none of the parish council's email addresses seem to be working.

I am helping a friend compile a website of the UK's telephone exchanges ... before they all disappear. It's called telephone-exchanges.org.uk.

I recently discovered that Laxton once had its own telephone exchange. It was opened on 19 November 1929 and was of the RAX5 type (RAX standing for Rural Automatic Exchange). Initially it served just ten subscribers. It closed in 1962 when phone lines in the village were taken over by Howden exchange.

It probably would have been housed in a small brick building similar to the one in the attached photograph.

My question is: would any of your members know where the exchange stood, and whether it survives?

I would be most grateful if anyone could shed light on the matter.

Many thanks - if only for reading this far!

Best wishes,

John Cranston.

Hello John, I've spoken to the original postmaster's daughter and a local farmer whose family have farmed here for generations. They were both of the opinion that there was a building on the site of where our beacon is now situated (and where the green exchange box is now sited.)They didn't know when it was demolished. However I also spoke to our local historian who provided me with an Ariel photo showing a fenced off area where our beacon now is but also a building opposite there which is still in existence but is part of a private property. We were both assuming it was part of the railway buildings but actually could this be the exchange? I've attached some photos the Ariel photo shows the crossroads with the building opposite the fenced off area. Hope this helps, if we manage to find the date of the Ariel photo I will let you know. Best wishes for your research. Jackie Goulden

This is his reply:

Dear Jackie, thank you so much for your rapid and amazingly comprehensive reply! I'm inclined to side with the farmer and postmaster's daughter, especially as the photos of the beacon site also show a cable access manhole. My guess is that the aerial photo dates from after 1962. I'd be less inclined to opt for the building
