



CRESSING PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting
held on 10th June 2024 at 7:00pm at
St Barnabas, Claud Ince Avenue, Cressing.

Present: Cllr John Lawton – Chairman
Cllr Colin Haines
Cllr Tony Sim

In attendance:

Monica Da Silva (Parish Clerk/RFO and Proper Officer)

26/053 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME AND REPORT

The Chairman welcomed all attendees and reported the new parish clerk and future plans for the parish.

26/054 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. A. Lapper – No apologies received.

Cllr. E. Mottershead – Apologies received.

26/055 TO ELECT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2026-27

Nominations were requested. Cllr Lawton was **proposed by Cllr Haines, seconded by Cllr Sim.** Cllr Lawton was duly elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the current year 2026-27.

CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE

Cllr Lawton signed the Chairman's Declaration of Office and was witnessed by the Parish Clerk who signed as the Proper Officer of the Council.

26/056 TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2024-25

The requirement for a Vice-Chairman was discussed, but it was agreed this role was not necessary and in the event of the Chairman being unable to attend a meeting another Councillor would step in.

26/057 DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillors signed renewed Declarations of Acceptance of Office and Declarations to Observe the Code of Conduct and were witnessed and signed by the Parish Clerk as the Proper Officer of the Council. Not including Cllr Lapper and Cllr Mottershead. Declaration will be signed in due course.

26/058 REGISTER OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillors confirmed no changes were required to their Register of Members' Interests.

26/059 CONSENT FORMS

Cllr Haines, Sim and Lawton signed the consent form to confirm receipt of Council Summons, Agenda and other documents by e-mail and to utilise the @cressing-pc.gov.uk email account solely for business relating to the Parish Council. Cllr Lapper and Cllr Mottershead will sign in due course.

26/060 NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

The next Annual meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 12th May 2027 at St Barnabas, Claud Ince Avenue, Cressing, CM77 8HG.

Items for inclusion on the Agenda to be sent to the Parish Clerk to be received no later than 12 noon on Tuesday 4th May 2027.

26/061 CLOSE OF MEETING

There being no further business to be discussed, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.20pm.