

031/05/26.C Apologies for Absence

Councillor E Aston Health

It was proposed by Councillor Purves, seconded by Councillor Wickson, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the apologies, as listed above, be accepted.

Councillor A Priest Personal Received after the meeting

032/05/26.C Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor R Wickson Proposed by Councillor S Noyes-Thomas
Seconded by Councillor R Higgins

All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Ray Wickson be re-elected as Vice Chairman of Ercall Magna Parish Council for 2026/27.

033/05/26.C Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Councillor Wickson read and signed the Declaration which was witnessed by the Clerk, as the Proper Officer of the Council.

034/05/26.C Declarations of Interest & Dispensations (for items on the Agenda)

Members were reminded that there is a form available should then wish to apply for a dispensation.
Councillor Connor has a dispensation for Royal British Legion and Ellerdine Village Hall.
Councillor Wickson has a dispensation for HEVH, RBL and SALC
Councillor Noyes-Thomas has a dispensation for HEVH
Councillor Bentley declared an interest in the employment of the Clerk, related matters and Planning (TW)

035/05/26.C Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 20th May 2025

It was proposed by Councillor Wickson and seconded by Councillor Purves and with two abstentions, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the AGM held on 20th May 2025 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

036/05/26.C Ercall Magna Parish Council Committee Structure

It was proposed by Councillor Connor and seconded by Councillor Noyes-Thomas that the draft structure, as circulated, be agreed. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Committee Structure, as circulated, be agreed for 2026/27.

037/05/26.C Committee and Working Group Membership

Finance and Governance	Chairman Vice Chairman Cllr Purves Cllr Noyes-Thomas Cllr Walker Cllr R Higgins Vacancy
HR Working Group and Complaints & Appeals Committee	Vice Chairman Chairman of Finance & Governance Cllr Noyes-Thomas Cllr R Higgins

Planning Committee	Chairman Vice Chairman Cllr Aston Cllr Taylor Cllr Priest (to be confirmed) Cllr Purves
Environment Working Group	Chairman Vice Chairman Cllr Aston Cllr Higgins Cllr Purves
Emergency Planning & Resilience Working Group	Chairman Vice Chairman Cllr Purves The Clerk Cllr Noyes-Thomas Vacancy

It was proposed by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Wickson, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Committee Membership, as listed above, be confirmed.

038/05/26.C Representatives of Outside Bodies

TW Bus User Group / Partnership Board	Cllr R Wickson
SALC Wrekin Area Committee	Cllr R Wickson Cllr S Noyes-Thomas
High Ercall Village Hall	Cllr R Higgins Cllr S Noyes-Thomas
Climate Change Champion	Cllr C Purves
Snow Wardens	Cllr R Hartshorn (Roden) (temporary) Cllr S Noyes-Thomas (High Ercall / Walton) Cllr S Taylor (Ellerdine / Rowton)
Tree Warden	Cllr E Aston
Pre-Application Planning Consultations	Cllr K Connor Cllr R Wickson Cllr C Purves Cllr E Aston
Endowment Charity	Cllr R Wickson

The above representatives were proposed by Councillor Walker and seconded by Councillor Purves, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Members be appointed as per the list

The remaining vacancies will appear on a future agenda, when all members are in attendance.

039/05/26.C Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Statutory Policies

It was proposed by Councillor Noyes-Thomas, seconded by Councillor Purves, and all Members confirmed the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Statutory Policies of the Council for 2026/27 which have been revised in accordance with the 2025 NALC Model. Copies are available on request and they will appear on the website.

040/05/26.C Remuneration Report

No Members had claimed remuneration for 2025/26.

Members considered if a scheme should be available for 2026/27. It was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Walker that up to £100 per Member be made available. All were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that £100 be included in a Remuneration Budget for 2026/27 to enable elected Members to claim an allowance, in arrears, if they wish to do so.
It was also confirmed that the Chairman’s Allowance would remain at £1250.00.**

041/05/26.C Finance & Governance

Bankers Barclays – Current Account and Savings Account and CCLA (Investment)
Bank Signatories Cllrs R Wickson, C Purves, K Connor
Auditors Rosemarie David AAT (Internal) PKF Littlejohn LLP (External)

Asset Register

A copy of the updated Asset Register, as at the end of March 2026, had been circulated and will appear on the website.

General Power of Competence

Ercall Magna Parish Council meets the criteria for the General Power of Competence in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 – it has 2/3 elected Councillors and a Qualified Clerk. Members adopted the General Power Of Competence.

042/05/26.C Annual Subscriptions

Councillor Wickson and the Clerk declared an interest in SALC

It was proposed by Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Walker that the following annual subscriptions be confirmed. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that these subscriptions be renewed for 2026/27:
Shropshire Association of Local Councils
Scribe Accounting Package
Society of Local Council Clerks (25%)
Zoom (25%)

043/05/26.C Meeting Schedule

A copy of a draft meeting scheduled had been circulated. It was proposed by Cllr Wickson and seconded by Cllr Hartshorn, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Meeting Schedule be approved.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Annual Meeting and thanked everyone for their important contributions.

SignedDate

Please note that these minutes remain draft until agreed at the next meeting of the Parish Council in June 2026. They will not be signed until the Annual Meeting in 2027.