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Milland Parish Council Minutes – March 2026

Minutes of the meeting of Milland Parish Council held on Wednesday 11th March in Milland Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs, Mrs L Myles (in the chair), Mrs G Morton, Mr J Wassenberg, Mr N Oldham, Mr J Parker, Mrs S Hoar, and Mrs R Denby (clerk). Members of the public: 5 (one district Cllr).

1. Apologies for Absence

C/Cllr Yvonne Graveley

2. Declaration of Interests

NONE.

3. Confirm and sign the Minutes of 14th January 2026

AGREED.

4. Report from the County & District Councillors

County Council – C/Cllr Y Graveley

Fire Damaged Buildings

Improvements to fire service equipment in West Sussex

Signpost residents to free stop smoking services

West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service welcomes eight new on-call firefighters

County Council Elections

West Sussex County Council Budget 2026/7

Devolution

New Crisis and Resilience Fund

District Council – Cllrs B Burkhart & E Newbery

Food Waste Collections

Local Government Reorganisation

Leisure Centres

Contacting your District Councillors

5. Public Participation

See item 8k.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes

NONE.

7. Co-option of new members

It was **AGREED** that applicant Mark Dumas to be co-opted following recent interview with chair and vice chair.
Second applicant to be interviewed prior to next meeting.

Action: Clerk / Chair

8. Other Administration

a) Milland Valley Memorial Hall Heads of Agreement

Still ongoing. It was **AGREED** to survey of the car park area for utilities. Village hall to step up and take responsibility towards the car park and up keep. Look for quote and circulate. Suggested to contact chair of trustees Andy Haslam about expired agreement and steps forward. **Action: Clerk / LM**

b) Padel Court

Reference to information circulated prior to meeting. Negative impact to the nursery – SEN children, safeguarding and forest school location. Would tennis court be willing to sacrifice a court? Could an alternative area on the green be used? To be included in the business plan.

c) Emergency Winter Plan & Resilience Planning

Need to plan for infrastructure loss, cyber-attacks with risk type assessment. National Emergency Briefing possibly to be held in Milland or for a local cluster? Get template information / workshop info from SALC. **Action: JP/LM/SH/Clerk**

d) Business Plan

Sports club / Padel court to be included. It was **AGREED** to pursue SALC workshop offer for starting a village business plan and invite relevant stakeholders who have an interest. **Action: Clerk/LM**

e) Parish Clusters

SALC advised to start discussions with neighbouring parishes to give clusters a louder voice on matters. All parishes zoom meeting - this was raised to all chairs. **Action LM**

f) Martyns Law

Bonfire event has over 800 attendees, to be raised with committee. **Action: JP**

g) Milland Tennis Club

Deferred to next agenda

h) Parish Finger Posts

To contact local firm who specialises in refurb of the wooden posts on the Black and White Iron posts around the parish, approx. 4/5 posts, possible collaboration with other parishes. **Action: Clerk**

i) Milland Shop Grant

Reference to report circulated prior to meeting. Working committee in progress, each with an area to pursue. Outside of the shop looking amazing and well received. Still needs £60k of spend on refurbishment. Decking to be replaced with Indian sandstone, and build on patio to be within current footprint and not onto the rec land. National Lotto answer due mid-April to fund exterior work. Check tenure of land for the shop.

It was AGREED to immediately grant £16K to shop for internal works from reserves to be replaced when public works loan is granted. **Action: Clerk / NO**

j) Durrants pond

Land sale to Hollycombe has now completed (to be confirmed) so maintenance of the pond to be undertaken by the new owners. **Action: AF**

k) Milland Day

Caroline Powell and Peter Grainger propose 06/06/26 for free of charge event with picnics and want an activity for the younger attendees and wish to use the rec. need to be a committee of the trustees (MPC) to use insurance and Cllr Sue Hoar to join committee of the trustees for insurance cover. It was **AGREED to grant £500** for mini golf, face painting, posters, table hire and hall hire. Can we use Jubilee fund monies? Litter collection by District Council to be arranged. **Action: LM / Clerk**

l) Adding value to the Parish

- i. Milland Meet Up – next meeting April 8th 2026
- ii. Annual Litter Pick – 22/03/85

8. Planning

a) Applications and Decisions

New Planning Applications Weeks 2 – 10 2026

SDNP/25/05037/FUL - Demolition of existing 1 no. building, erection of 1 no. dwelling, hard and soft landscaping and associated works. Land adjacent to, Veralan, Rake Road, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7JS

SDNP/26/00499/APNB Erection of agricultural building Home Park Farm , Portsmouth Road, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7JG

SDNP/26/00507/LDE Existing lawful development -use of 2 1st floor rooms of the barn outbuilding as habitable accommodation. East Kingsham Cottage, Cooks Pond Road, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7JY

Planning Decisions Weeks 2 – 10 2026

SDNP/25/02137/FUL Landscape works comprising the excavation and construction of Hatch Farm Pond, East Pond, and West Pond; a temporary construction compound and access routes; and a comprehensive scheme of landscaping and biodiversity enhancements. (Amended Red Line Boundary). Hatch Farm, Wheatsheaf Enclosure, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7EL. **APPROVED**

SDNP/25/02622/FUL Installation of solar PV array, a PV switchboard, erection of a substation building and energy centre building at Hatch Farm, and the installation of a step-down transformer at Hollycombe House with a detailed scheme of landscaping and other associated works to provide renewable energy across the Hollycombe Estate. Hatch Farm, Wheatsheaf Enclosure, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7EL. **APPROVED**

SDNP/25/05037/FUL

Demolition of existing 1 no. building, erection of 1 no. self-build dwelling, hard and soft landscaping and associated works. Land adjacent to, Veralan, Rake Road, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7JS. **Application Withdrawn**

SDNP/26/00499/APNB

Erection of agricultural building

Home Park Farm, Portsmouth Road, Milland, West Sussex, GU30 7JG

Objection

b) National Planning Policy Framework – Proposed Reforms

Deferred to next meeting

9. Environment & Amenities and Highways

a. Traffic Calming – general village speed – update – public request for this item to be added

i. Wardley Lane

No further update, still with highways

ii. Milland Lane

Enough resident agreement just needs following up.

Action: LM

b. Hollycombe Speed Indicator Display

SID arriving 13/03 with installation for the 20/03, school happy to charge the batteries but need holiday cover, village hall has been suggested for follow up but best option would be for the school to be contacted to cover if possible.

Action: GM

c. Harting Coombe Crossroads

With highways, follow up with C/Cllr and GM to provide recent accident dates at this site.

Action: GM/Clerk

d. North End Farm – public request



Can we arrange community speed watch that can group together with Bordon Wood group? Advertise for community speed watch. GM to send info to clerk and shop for their newsletter. **Action: GM / Clerk**
 Cllr A Farley left the meeting.

10. Finance - Responsible Finance Officer

a) Payments for approval.

Payments For Approval					
Date	Payments For Approval	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
15/02/2026	BOHER ARCHITECTURE	PADEL COURT INV 1192	£44.66	£8.73	£53.39
18/02/2026	HMRC	PERIOD 10	£136.54	£0.00	£136.54
18/02/2026	WSALC LTD	L MYLES COURSE INV 2094	£40.00	£8.00	£48.00
18/02/2026	R DENBY	JAN CLERK SALARY P10	£827.63	£0.00	£827.63
28/02/2026	ROB FINDLAY	JAN/FEB MPC ONLY	£868.00	£0.00	£868.00
28/02/2026	R DENBY	FEB CLERK SALARY P11	£827.63	£0.00	£827.63
28/02/2026	HMRC	PERIOD 11	£93.58	£0.00	£93.58
Total payments due			£2,838.04	£16.73	£2,854.77

PAYMENTS APPROVED.

b) Application for new Public Works Loan £60k update
 Second application for the loan with correct form submitted 05/03/26.

11. AOB

- Rural Fair monies – check with Lorraine £6k being used for MVN as a free publication **Action: Clerk**
- Tree in centre of village to be checked by R Findlay as potentially rotting and dangerous.
 Large Oak trees on eastern side of Milland Lane from the village gate sign and turn off to Milland Pottery up to track leading down to the ford (length of property), check if this is Hollycombe responsibility now. **Action: Clerk**
- Official thanks to Rob Findlay for clearing the graveyard with a temporary fix for the recent funeral.
- Email in regarding 14 lorries passing through transporting large trees.
- Smugglers Copse discussion.

Meeting closed at 20:30

Date of next meeting – 08 April 2026 Annual Parish Assembly 6pm at Milland Memorial Hall Committee Room

Rebecca Denby, Clerk to the Council, 19 March 2026



Chairman: _____

Date: _____

These minutes are unconfirmed until signed by the chairman

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