

SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of Somercotes Parish Council at 6.30pm on Friday 23rd January 2026
in the Parish Hall, Somercotes.

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Parker (Chair)
Cllr Sherman (Vice)
Cllr Addison-Lees
Cllr Slater
Cllr Wardle
Cllr Barron
Cllr Judson

112/25: Apologies for absence - None

113/25: Social Media – The clerk explained that the meeting was being recorded to assist with the formation of minutes

114/25: Declaration of Members Interests – None declared

115/25: Variation in Order of Business - None

116/25: Councillor Request for dispensation - None

117/25: Items to be taken in seclusion:

If any items are to be taken in seclusion it will be necessary for the Chair to read out the following statement:

“That in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, such that it would be prejudicial to the Public Interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the meeting resolves that the public and press will be temporarily excluded for Item(s), 121/25, (part) & 122/25.

118/25: To agree the distribution of event tickets made available by Cllr Bent’s donation to the council. Council RESOLVED that the tickets be distributed to the groups who attended the parish rooms and that 4 tickets be donated to Leabrooks Methodist Church in line with Cllrs Bents wishes.

119/25: To agree the formation of a Events sub-committee and terms of reference – See supporting document.

Council **RESOLVED** to adopt the terms of reference. Council **AGREED** to coopt four members onto the sub committee. These members are Cllrs Parker, Slater, Addison-Lees and Judson. Council appointed Cllr Parker as chair. Vice chair to be appointed by sub-committee.

120/25: To agree and approve:

- (a) the budget for 2026/27
- (b) the precept for 2026/27.
- (c) the signing of the precept form for AVBC

Council **RESOLVED:**

- (a) to increase the amount allocated to the events budget to £10,000.
- (b) not to increase the precept for 2026/27.
- (c) the precept form was signed by Cllr Parker, Cllr Sherman and Cllr Addison-Lees and the clerk

121/25: Cooption of councilors (part seclusion) –The third cooption candidate explained to council why she wished to be a councillor.

NB: Council then went into seclusion to discuss the applications and Item: 122/25:

Following consideration Council **RESOLVED** to coopt Sian McCabe and Stephen Marshall onto the council

122/25: To consider the arrangements and quotations received for cleaning the Parish Rooms.

Council **RESOLVED** to accept the MBF Cleaning Services quotation.

The meeting closed at 19.10