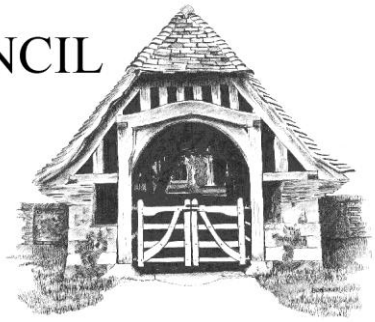
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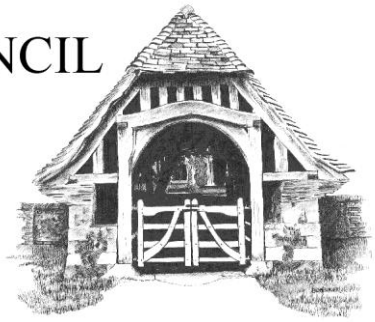


Minutes of the Waltham St Lawrence Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 6th October 2026, in the Neville Hall, Waltham St Lawrence.

Present: Mike Kay (Chairman), Mark Hipgrave, David Yarnton, Sarah Goodchild, Charles Williams and MJ Streather (Clerk)

Also present: Boro Cllr Blundell plus 18 Members of the Public.

	Public Question Time A member of the public updated the Council that there has been further evidence of widening the access to the plots in School Road. The residents are aware that Enforcement have been supplied with details of at least one of the plot holders who have constructed a fence in apparent contradiction of the Article 4 order and have suggested that the Enforcement Case will be reopened (this is now confirmed as 26/50126/ENF). A resident highlighted that Environmental Health have been advised that there is a substantial quantity of white goods, apparently dumped to the rear of Bellman Hanger. Environmental Health said they would raise this with Enforcement and request the entire site is cleared of apparent rubbish. (This will help to alleviate concerns that the Bellman Hanger footprint was showing signs of enlarging through waste materials). The majority of members of the public were present to voice concerns at the revised application for access only 26/02219 Land adjacent to Morland House. The Chairman outlined the proposed response by the Council was to re-employ a planning consultant, asking for specific attention to be paid to the highway implications described in the application (narrowing of an already narrow highway, removing parking facilities of existing residents, inserting crossings adjacent to an already confirmed accident hotspot.) In addition to this, the Chairman suggested that it may be necessary to review the precept going forward, if more of these planned developments are likely to require expert planning advice. The very comprehensive notes collated by the residents will be incorporated, where appropriate, into the final submission by the Parish Council. Reference will also be made to Sports England likely response to proposed buffer areas and/or excessive net heights. Residents asked whether the Parish Council could fund bin stickers, but the Chairman suggested that any such campaigns should be	***ACTION***

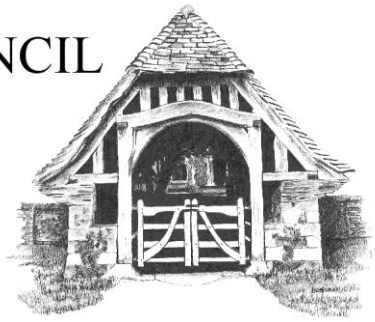


	funded by group of residents if they considered it appropriate, whilst the Council focused its limited funds on the key advice needed.	
FC/107/10/2026	**Apologies noted from:** Cllr Patel, Cllr Crawley-Boevey and Borough Cllr Hunt.	
FC/108/10/2026	**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 8th September 2026, were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.	*Clerk*
FC/109/10/2026	**Declarations of Interest:** There were none.	
FC/110/10/2026	**Significant Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes:** There were none.	
FC/111/10/2026	**Planning Applications:** **Reference** **26/02219/OUT** Address Land Adjacent To Morland House, Hungerford Lane, Shurlock Row Proposal Outline application for Access only to be considered at this stage, with all other matters to be reserved for the construction of 8 no. dwellings. **Parish Council Comments:** Draft awaited from ET Planning and John Russell (Highways Consultant**).** The Council will review between meetings and address using delegated powers. **Reference** **26/02272/AGDET** Address Beenhams Farm Beenhams Heath Shurlock Row Reading Proposal Notification to determine whether prior approval is required for an excavation of an irrigation reservoir. **Parish Council Comments:** Noted **Reference** **26/02178/FULL** Address Oak Tree House, Twyford Road, Binfield, RG42 5QD Proposal Extension of sports and fitness barn (Use F2) following the demolition of the existing round top sports barn and adjoining garage. **Parish Council Comments:** The PC queries whether Class F2 use has been established for these buildings. The pictures submitted with the application appear to show the barn being used for storage purposes. **Reference** **26/01809/FULL**	*Cllr Williams/Cllr Hipgrave* *Clerk* *Clerk*

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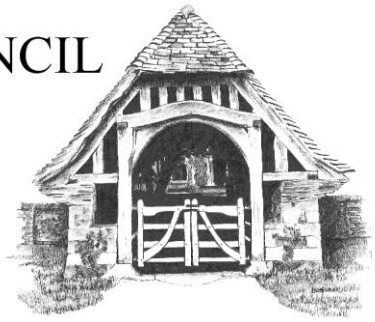


	Address Oak Tree Farm Twyford Road Binfield RG42 5QD Proposal Single-storey rear extension, removal of the existing thatched roof to expose existing clay roof, alterations to fenestration and external finish, soft and hard landscaping to the existing cottage ancillary to the main dwelling. **Parish Council Comments:** No Objection	*Clerk*
FC/112/10/2026	**Trees in a Conservation Area:** Reference 26/02229/TCA Address Old Gunsbrook House, Twyford Road, Waltham St Lawrence, RG10 0HE Proposal Oak - Pollard and remove deadwood, or remove the tree. **Parish Council Comments:** No Objection to the remedial work or to pollarding; however, we would ask that priority be given to remedial works to try and avoid felling, due to the impact on the street scene and the Conservation Area. The Council would request that the Conservation Officer and the Arboricultural Officer work to preserve the health of the tree, provided that it is considered safe to avoid felling. Reference 26/02335/TCA Address The Grange, The Street, Waltham St Lawrence RG10 0JJ Proposal T1 - Oak tree - removal of dead wood and crown reduction by 1m, T2 - Ash tree - fell as per tree survey. **Parish Council Comments**: No objection, subject to approval by the Arboricultural Officer.	*Clerk*
FC/113/10/2026	**Plans that have arrived in the last few days:** There were none.	
FC/114/10/2026	**Other Planning Matters:** • Infrastructure and services questionnaire - input to Local Plan • Oak Tree Farm - referral to Sports England due to inappropriateness of relocation re lack of transport links • Bellman Hanger - is the Enforcement case sufficient to cover enlarging footprint concerns? Clerk to investigate response to resident from Environmental Health • Milley Road missing CIL monies - Cllr Blundell to work with Cllr Hunt, possibly to suggest a three tiered approach as recommended by Cllr Patel.	*Cllr Williams* *Cllr Patel* *Clerk* *Cllr Blundell/Cllr Hunt*

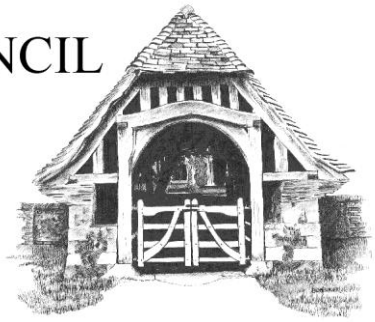
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FC/115/10/2026	**Enforcement Notices and Appeals:** **Reference:** **26/50158/ENF** Address: Bellman Hanger Shurlock Row, RG10 0PL Status: Pending Consideration Type: Unauthorised Change of Use **Reference:** **26/50142/ENF** Address: The Manor House, Manor Drive, Shurlock Row RG10 0PX Status: Pending Consideration Type: Unauthorised Construction **Reference:** **26/50126/ENF** Address: Street Record School Road, Waltham St Lawrence RG10 0NU Status: Pending Consideration Type: Unauthorised Construction **Reference:** **26/50051/ENF** Address: The Oaks, Martins Lane, Shurlock Row RG10 0PP Status: Pending Consideration Type: Non-compliance with Condition Reference: **26/50018/ENF** Address: Pool Lane Farm, Broadmoor Road, Waltham St Lawrence RG10 0JA Status: Pending Consideration Type: Unauthorised Construction **APPEALS** **26/02028/AGDET** Site Address: Beenhams Farm, Beenhams Heath, Shurlock Row Proposal: Notification to determine whether prior approval is required for excavations for an irrigation reservoir. THOUGH NEW APPLICATION RECEIVED **26/02272/AGDET** Status Appeal Launched **Reference:** **26/60065/REF** Address: 4 Church Farm Cottages Halls Lane, Waltham St Lawrence, RG10 0JG Nature: Change of use of the outbuilding to use for short-term holiday lets (Retrospective). Status: Appeal In Progress Appeal Type: Refusal	
FC/115/10/2026	**MATTERS DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY:** The previous month's late-received planning applications as noted on the agenda, which were commented on under the delegated authority, together with other matters were noted.	

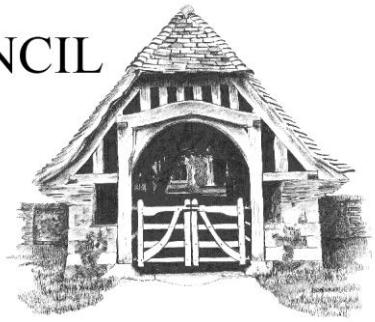


	In addition it was noted that the Parish Council approved employing the services of John Russell (Highways Consultant) for £1,250.00 in addition to the report by ET Planning.	
FC/116/10/2026	**Finance:** • At the previous meeting it should be noted the total payment was for £1,414.00 for JS Grounds and Gardens (£1,284.00 plus £130.00, not an additional £130.00). • Online payments of £17,905.82 were approved (JS G&G Maintenance and Memorial Garden, Balancing Pond Clearance, ICO, Dog Bins, IT retainer, External Audit Fee, Clerk Salary & Tax and NI Sept, ET Planning advice Morland House) • Approved cost-of-living increase to Clerks' salary +3.3% WEF 1.4.2026	*Clerk* *Chairman*
FC/117/10/2026	**Reports from Representatives:** **Report from the Clerk:** • The second lunchtime Thames Valley Police 'Have your Say' was very poorly represented. Additional 'Have your Say' dates with TVP have been arranged at the Shurlock Inn for Saturday 21.11.26 @4.30 and at the Café in the Neville Hall Sunday 21.3.27 @ 9.15am • New entrance to property on the Straight Mile causing danger concerns with residents. Highway's response has been to refer to planning, **Reports from Borough Councillors:** • Cllr Blundell confirmed a new contract has been awarded to Glendale (from Tivoli) for maintenance services. He committed to sharing their KPI's with the Council. **Allotments:** • Nothing to report. **Communications:** • Cllr Goodchild will circulate the process, and liaise with Councillors to establish whether there is a need to have a session with Simon Shaw re file sharing on OneDrive. **Bridleways and Footpaths:** • Sharon Wootten has resolved the issue on the FP down Baldasarre Lane. Obstructions have been turned inwards**.** **Highways:** • Nothing to report	*Cllr Blundell*

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	Speedwatch: • TVP have scoped out sites to run an official Police Speed Check campaign. Dates need to be resolved. Further volunteers are required for Shurlock Row. • Data extraction is still proving problematic; however Cllr Yarnton has shared some with TVP. They in return have shared a QR code for residents to be able to report vehicles of their own volition, and the information will go directly to the neighbourhood team. **Burial Ground** • Grave owners need to be chased to finish tidying the offending sites **Ditches:** • In general, the clearance of the balancing pond and associated vegetation has been very well received. One complaint was noted. **Parish Maintenance:** • Nothing to report	*Cllr Yarnton* *Cllr Patel*
FC/118/10/2026	**Correspondence** • Traffic monitoring Shurlock Road, and now Milley Road (see above)	
	AOB: None	
FC/119/10/2026	Date of next site Visits: Saturday 7th November 2026 at 9 am, Neville Hall. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 10th November 2026 at 7 pm, Neville Hall**.**	
	The meeting closed at 9.01pm	