

# MONTHLY UPDATE



**The Parish Council meets formally each month. Here are some of the things discussed at the meeting on October 14th 2025. The detailed minutes are available on our website.**

The meeting took place at Fradley Village Hall with Cllr Leytham chairing. All councillors were present and no apologies or declarations of interest were made. Michael Wilcox was co-opted onto the Council following a vote and signed his Acceptance of Office accordingly.

During public participation, a resident raised concerns regarding incomplete works on the Barratt development at Anson Gardens. The Council and District Cllr Cross agreed to support the resident and review the site. Cllr Cross reported on the by-election cost, ongoing S106 disputes, including efforts to reclaim £254,280 originally intended for indoor sports in Fradley, and the allocation of further S106 funds for padel courts in Burntwood. He also reported on incomplete infrastructure on Barratt's current development, new major planning proposals, medical provision lobbying, progress on Worthington Road Play Park tendering, and timelines for the Leavesley development. District Cllr Stephenson submitted a written report, outlining outcomes of the Horner Avenue appeal, local government reorganisation proposals, housing pressures, potential new settlement sites, and updates on district-wide leisure and regeneration projects.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved. The Council made no comments on listed planning applications but noted several decisions issued by Lichfield District Council. Financial schedules for August to October were approved, alongside income and unaudited accounts. The conclusion of the 2024/25 audit was received, with auditors recommending more detailed variance explanations in future submissions. Members ratified earlier email decisions regarding additional CIL funding for Worthington Road Play Park and representation at the Horner Avenue appeal.

The Council discussed naming a new road off Turnbull Road, agreeing to seek permission to use the name of a long-standing resident before proposing "Arblaster"-based options. Members also considered installing CCTV, acknowledging potential benefits and the need for further information, and adopted a new policy on meetings with developers. Concerns were raised regarding revised PCSO boundaries and potential reductions in local visibility. It was agreed the situation would be monitored. The Council also agreed to provide and decorate a Christmas tree for St Stephen's Church again this year.

Working Group reports highlighted progress on the Christmas Lights project, S106-funded street furniture, the parish newsletter, communications policies, CCTV considerations, and the Bat Box Project. A series of recommendations were approved to progress these initiatives. The Clerk reported various meeting dates, ongoing training, and noted the resignation of a councillor. Finally, confidential matters regarding a social media complaint were reviewed and resolved, and the NJC pay award for 2025/26 was noted before the meeting closed at 20:56

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 11th December 2025 at Fradley Village Hall.

