

MONTHLY UPDATE



The Parish Council meets formally each month. Here are some of the things discussed at the meeting on June 11th 2026. The detailed minutes are available on our website.

Fradley Parish Council met on 11 June 2026 at Fradley Village Hall, where members welcomed Amena Croxton as the newest Parish Councillor following her unanimous co-option to the Council. The Council also welcomed District and Ward Councillor Richard Stephenson, County Councillor Richard Holland and eight members of the public. No declarations of interest were made.

District and Ward Councillor Stephenson provided an update on a range of district matters, including recent appointments following Lichfield District Council's Annual Meeting and ongoing preparations for Local Government Reorganisation. Members also heard updates on the introduction of the new food waste recycling service, which is expected to begin later in the summer, and progress on the Worthington Road Play Park refurbishment. Councillor Stephenson advised that discussions continue regarding improved healthcare provision for Fradley, Streethay and surrounding communities, with support from senior officers at Lichfield District Council. Updates were also provided on the Fradley Lane development, including proposed drainage improvements for Church Lane, and on the transfer of community assets across the district.

County Councillor Holland reported that funding has been approved for the installation of traffic monitoring equipment within the parish, with additional locations being considered following concerns about vehicle speeds. Members also received updates on highway maintenance, pothole repairs and the continued campaign to secure improved healthcare facilities for the area.

The Council welcomed a representative from the Fradley Heritage Group, who gave a presentation in support of a community grant application. Following questions from councillors and consideration of the proposal, the Council unanimously approved a grant of £1,000 to support the group's project. Members also heard from a resident representing households affected by the proposed Bloor Homes development east of Fradley Lane. Concerns were raised regarding the loss of trees, the proximity of new homes to existing properties and the potential creation of a community garden on land adjacent to Church Lane. The Council agreed to continue supporting residents in discussions with the developer where appropriate.

Planning matters included consideration of several applications. No comments were submitted on proposals relating to a battery energy storage facility, landscaping at Fradley Park or other routine applications. However, the Council agreed to object to retrospective applications concerning Junction Manor at Fradley Junction, supporting concerns raised by local residents regarding the proposed boundary treatment. Members also noted that planning permission has been granted for the new micropub at the Stirling Centre.

Councillors approved the June schedule of payments and noted income received from a bin recharge at Fradley Park together with the repayment of duplicate solicitor's fees. Members also approved the latest unaudited accounts, with the Council's total balances standing at £403,822.27 at the end of May 2026.

Although the scheduled Working Group meeting had been cancelled, councillors received updates on a number of important projects. The Worthington Road Play Park refurbishment continues to progress well, with completion expected in July. Members also welcomed confirmation that £2,500 of grant funding has been secured towards replacing the village's ageing defibrillators, with all five units due to be renewed and a new cabinet installed at Fradley Park Primary School. The Council also reviewed the Grounds Maintenance Contract, agreeing that service standards should be discussed with the contractor, particularly in relation to grass cutting, hedge maintenance, weed control and litter collection. Progress also continues on Section 106 projects, including new interpretation boards, signage and improvements to the Hay End Lane skate park, with works expected to begin later in the summer.

The Clerk provided updates on a number of ongoing matters, including the submission of the annual Community Infrastructure Levy report, the publication of the statutory Notice of Public Rights, progress at Worthington Road Play Park and recent community events. The next meeting of Fradley Parish Council will take place on **Thursday 16 July 2026 at 7.00pm** at Fradley Village Hall.

