

**MICKLE TRAFFORD & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON
MONDAY 8 JUNE 2026
AT MICKLE TRAFFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Open Forum

PUBLIC

Mrs Tess Parkin advised the meeting that residents of the Parish were pleased that the shop had reopened.

POLICE UPDATE

Parish Councillors were reminded of the new initiative being piloted by the Police to meet with Parish Clerk's every couple of months.

The Clerk advised that he could not attend the first meeting as he had a prior engagement

PRESENT

Cllr J Spence, Cllr J Taylor, Cllr C Byrne, Cllr P Byrne, Cllr J Stockton, Cllr I Jones, and Cllr D Rowlands

Item 01 Apologies

Cllr M Parker (CWaC Business), Cllr M Roberts, (Business) and Cllr M Alford (Personal)

It was noted and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the reason for absence was acceptable.

Item 02 Declarations of Interest

Cllr D Rowlands – Item 11 and 16

All councillors declared their interests as per their "Notification of Interests."

Item 03 Approval of Parish Council Minutes.

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Jones, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 11th May 2026 be accepted.

Item 04 Finance Committee

It was then proposed by Cllr Byrne, seconded by Cllr Rowlands, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 1st June 2026 be noted.

Item 05 Planning Committee

It was then proposed by Cllr Spence, seconded by Cllr Jones, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 1st June 2026 be noted.

Item 06 Councillors Special Duties 2026/27

Discussion took place regarding the sub committees for 2026/2027 and which councillors would sit on each committee. A copy of the list can be obtained, if requested, from the Clerk

Item 07 The Springfield Park Committee report

Cllr Rowlands now has the report from RoSPA and will be assessing the work that may be required with the aid on Mr Spence.

Item 08 Village Hall Report

Nothing to report.

Item 09 Events Group

Nothing to report.

Item 10 Succession Group

Nothing to report.

Item 11 Arcadis Community Grant

The Clerk advised that a new application had been received from the Primary School Parent Teachers Association for £750 to cover the cost of inflatables, entertainment and other items which would be used at the School Summer Fair on the 3rd July.

It was then proposed by Cllr Rudd, seconded by Cllr Stockton, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the application should be granted.

Item 12 Bench/Seat Locations

New Park Bench

We have been advised that this should be delivered by the 23rd June 2026

New Seat

We are awaiting CWaC to decide regarding our application.

Milestone

It was agreed that the milestone on the A56 on the Chester side of the village would be repainted by Cllr Taylor at a cost of less than £50.

If the work is successful then consideration will be given to the milestone at the opposite end of the A56.

Item 13 Parish Council Insurance 2026/27

It was then proposed by Cllr Taylor, seconded by Cllr Rudd, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the sum requested of £1828.02 should be accepted.

Item 14 ChALC Membership

This matter was approved at the meeting in May 2026

Item 15 Times for Finance and Planning Meetings

It was then proposed by Cllr Spence, seconded by Cllr Rowlands, and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that from September 2026 the Planning meeting should be held at 6.30pm on the first Monday of the month with the Finance meeting commencing on the conclusion of the previous meeting.

Item 16 Clerk's Duties – Village Hall purchases

It was agreed by a majority of councillors that the Parish Clerk should not be involved in purchases requested by the Village Hall Trust and should restrict the duties of the Parish Clerk to Parish Council business.

Cllr Rowlands noted that there could be a conflict of interest with the Internal auditor also being the Treasurer for the Village Hall Trust.

Item 17 Road junction marking – A56

It is hoped that this will now take place in July when the remainder of the A56 is repainted.

Item 18 Action Update

Highways update

Cllr Parker is yet to receive an update on this matter from Mr Stuart Bateman at CWaC

It was noted that siding out had been conducted on a long portion of the A56.

Street Cleaning schedule

The Clerk has again asked Mr Mark Brazil when a schedule for work in the parish will be available.

Dropped Kerb (Plemstall Close/St Peters Way

This has been reported to CWaC and we are awaiting their response.

Item 19 Matters raised at the discretion of the Chairman (Not for resolution)

It was agreed that the Parish Council were in agreement that Cllr Rowlands should draft a proposal that could be put before the ChALC AGM.

Item 20 Date and Time of Next Parish Council Meeting

Monday 13th July 2026 at The Village Hall @6.30pm