Artington Parish Council

Minutes of the annual parish council meeting held on 8th September 2025 at St. Francis Church, Littleton.

Councillors present: Cllr B Beabey (chair), Cllr H Farrant, Cllr S Kitson, Cllr J West and Cllr J Wisher.

In attendance: Philip Gorton (Clerk) and one member of the public.

APC = Artington Parish Council, GBC = Guildford Borough Council, SCC = Surrey County Council.

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr A More-Molyneux, Cllr A Lourenco, Cllr M Furniss (SCC), Cllr C Houston (GBC) and Cllr D Williams (GBC).

2. **Disclosure of interests**

There were no disclosures of interests.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th July 2025 were signed as an accurate record.

4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Planning matters

Recent and current planning applications:

Artington Manor Farm, application for listed building consent: ref: 25/P/01071 Councillors resolved to send a letter of objection to this application.

Mount Browne access road and associated works ref: 24/P/00564 The council made no comment about these minor changes to the original permission.

6. Reports from borough councillors

Cllrs Houston and Williams were absent from the meeting but sent a report:

- * The Mount Browne planning application is largely to do with changes in National Planning Policy Framework and flood mapping. There are no significant changes to the original permission.
- * The recent unauthorised encampment was moved on swiftly by GBC and Surrey Police.
- * Guildford Clean Air Day on Sunday 28 September will encourage motorists to choose a more sustainable travel option to come into town.
- * The GBC has marked one year of progress in its Improvement Plan.
- * Freedom Leisure has been re-awarded the contract to operate, Guildford Spectrum, Ash Manor Sports Centre and Guildford Lido for the next ten years. The partnership includes investment and upgrades to the facilities.

7. Highways

Cllr Furniss (SCC) was not present at the meeting and sent no report.

Cllr Wisher said that Community Speed Watch events would start again now that children have returned to school.

8. Loseley related matters

Cllr More-Molyneux was not present at the meeting but sent a report:

- * He hoped that the Richmond Dog Show held over this last weekend did not cause any problems. A further dog show will take place at the end of September.
- * Loseley House and Gardens are now closed to the public until next season.

9. Financial

There has been no payment made since the last meeting.

The regular monthly payment of bank charges has been added to the council's Schedule of Regular Payments and so will not be reported to the council meetings.

The council agreed to the clerk's proposal to set up a direct debit to make the council's regular PAYE payments.

10. Act of Remembrance

It was agreed that the annual Act of Remembrance at the parish war memorial will take place on Tuesday 11th November.

The clerk will contact Father Neil Roberts of St Nicolas church in Guildford to ask if he is able to conduct the ceremony.

These minutes remain draft until signed at the next APC meeting on Monday $10^{\rm th}$ November 2025 starting at 7.00pm at St Francis church, Littleton.