Nutfield Parish Council Minutes
Nutfield Memorial Hall
Wednesday 8th April 2026
Meeting opened at **7.30pm** and closed at **9.00pm.**

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Councillors (Cllrs) present:
Cllr Rigel Mowatt (Chair) (RM)
Cllr John Corlett (JCo) (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Graham Powell (GP)
Cllr Sue Ford (SF)
Cllr John Clarke (JC)

Apologies:
Cllr Jon Dadswell (JD)
Cllr Aled Duggan (AD)
Cllr Dean Holborn (DH)
Cllr Duncan Mallison (DM)

Attending:
Cllr Helena Windsor (HW)
Cllr Richard Fowler (RF)
Cllr Louise Case (LC)

Apologies:
Cllr Chris Farr (CF)

In attendance: Jim Paulett (Clerk & RFO) – One Member of the Public.

1	**Councillor apologies for absence** Apologies were received and accepted for JD, AD, DM, DH and Councillor Farr (Surrey)	
2	**Declarations of interest** None declared.	
3	**Minutes of Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2026 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.	
4.	**Public Session** One MoP was invited to talk about the plans to increase bio-diversity at the Jubilee Fields. The Nutfield Conservation Society had requested permission to carry out certain activities, to which NPC asked for a plan of what was to be done. In response to this NCS had sought and received some guidance, which resulted in a request to carry out soil analysis and carry out mowing. It was felt that the time window to mow had been missed due to the start of the nesting season, but NPC gave consent to carry out soil analysis. The May meeting will be attended by another member who will make a more detailed proposal which might involve better management of the hedgerows.	
5.	**Reports from other authorities** RF, HW and LC between them were able to update the council on: • Changes to the Planning Policy Framework. Among the changes likely to be made includes a presumption in favour of developments around railway stations, possibly from September 2026. • 8th May will see local elections for the new Unitary Council, and the elected officials will spend a year acting in a shadow capacity. • There were general discussions about the likely changes coming in with the abolition of Tandridge DC. • The outline for plans for Kentwyns Rise will be deferred until after the elections. There are some reported issues with mold at the temporary accommodation flats which had involved the MP. • A warning was put out that parish council elections may not marry up with either district/unitary elections or general elections. This was likely to cause financial implications for NPC and other parish councils. • Message from Chris Farr: Bollards are planned for the pavements along the M23 bridge to prevent HGV parking. Cracks have been discovered in the bridge, possibly due to HGV parking leading to overloading of the bridge's SWL limits.	

6. **Larger Planning Applications**

The council had been receiving increasing numbers of multiple-property planning applications, including the most recent application to build 90-120 houses on the field behind the properties in the East of Mid Street below the brook. A number of residents had watched an online presentation conducted by the Guinness Partnership. There is much concern from residents about the sheer number of properties which will potentially swell the local population way above the ability of the infrastructure to cope. Of particular concern is the local network of lanes which are often over capacity at present, plus the number of pupils able to be accommodated at the village school. Places are already over-subscribed by more than double. Council RESOLVED to continue to use a professional consultant to represent residents' views and best interests when considering the benefits or otherwise of planning applications on large scale.

7. **Planning** — Clerk / JC

To agree a response to the following planning applications:

No.	Address	Detail
2026/210	23 Morris Road, South Nutfield, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 5SB	Erection of a single-storey rear extension [Lawful Development Certificate (LDC)]
2026/217	5 Norfolk Cottages, Kings Cross Lane, South Nutfield, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 5NG	PROPOSED HIP TO GABLE LOFT CONVERSION [Lawful Development Certificate (LDC)]
2026/195	10b Trindles Road, South Nutfield, Redhill, Surrey, RH1 4JN	Erection of single storey rear extension (Retrospective)

Council RESOLVED responses to all of these applications.

8. **Finance** — SF and clerk

- The list of payments was approved.
- Detailed Receipts & Payments Report was not available
- Bank reconciliation for February 2026 was not available
- SF offered to release payments this month.
- An early overview of the state of the accounts was given by the RFO.

The clerk explained that issues and glitches with the Rialtas system were due to be ironed out at an online meeting booked for next Friday.

9. **Link Magazine** — Clerk / RM

The clerk was instructed to produce an article incorporating the annual update created by the Chairman, which will form part of his speech to be given at the Annual Parish Assembly.

10. **Policies.** — clerk

A discussion around the Parish Emergency Plan took place. It was RESOLVED, (with input from the district councillors) that the plan should be produced, but not for publication. There is a chance that members of the council (councillors or staff) will be needed to provide emergency services with assistance that requires local knowledge. The reason that this should not be published is that there are GDPR issues around personal data of local contacts that should not be made publicly available. The Press, Media and Communications Policy was APPROVED.

11. **Clerk's exchange.** — clerk

An approach had been made to have a work experience student assist at the cemetery and this was APPROVED. The clerk outlined plans to seek assistance from TDC with issuing section 215 notices to help clear the fly-tip at Fullers Wood Lane. A camera had been purchased and this will also be installed to monitor further fly-tipping. The clerk passed on an invitation for councillors to attend the screening of a film about climate change to be shown at the church later in the month.

12.	**Transport** HW outlined the update from the recent TAG25 meeting. An upcoming meeting was to be held by RACC and DM was to be reminded to attend, particularly given that a brief discussion took place about what plans might be being considered for building houses at the aerodrome. Biffa had not yet contacted councillors to invite them to the twice-yearly updates at Cormongers Lane. Clerk to see if this has been missed. No updates were available about the changes to Gatwick flightpaths.	Clerk
13.	**Items for information or for inclusion on future agendas** • Updates for the March and Nutfield Cricket Club. District Councillors plus the MoP left the meeting	DM
14.	**Next meeting date** Date of the next council meeting confirmed as 13th May 2026.	
15.	**Exclusion of press and public** The chair dismissed this item and then closed the meeting at 9.00 pm	