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Meeting of the Outdoors Committee
held in the Memorial Hall, High Street, Bovingdon
on Monday, 26th October 2026 starting at 6.30pm

Present:
Councillor Caroline Barnett
Councillor Graham Barrett
Councillor Karen Bregazzi-Jones
Councillor Nic Leon
Councillor Hugh Schneiders
Councillor Pauline Wright (Chairman)

Also Present:
Councillor Peter Windsor
Lisa Edwards – Assistant to the Parish Clerk

26/001/OC **Appointment of Chair of the Outdoors Committee to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

Councillor Pauline Wright was nominated by Councillor Schneiders, seconded by Councillor Bregazzi-Jones, this was supported by all present.

26/002/OC **Apologies for Absence**

To receive and accept apologies for absence from Councillor Ian Field and Parish Clerk Gemma Coventry.

26/003/OC **Declarations of Interest linked to any of the items**

There were no specific declarations of interest.

26/004/OC **Minutes of the Outdoors Committee meeting held on 23rd February 2026**

Approved and signed by Councillor Wright.

26/005/OC **Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Outdoors Committee meeting held on 23rd February 2026**

It was agreed that Councillor Barnett would progress a separate litter-picking scheme independently of the Parish Council.

The Parish Clerk to follow up on obtaining quotes for four anti-litter signs which could potentially be installed on the Village Gates. **Action:** Parish Clerk

Signed …… Dated ……

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The Parish Clerk to provide an update to the Outdoors Committee with regards to the installation of a camera to help combat fly-tipping in Bovingdon. **Action:** Parish Clerk

26/006/OC **To consider quotation received for works to Bovingdon Green Pond**

Following a discussion regarding works to the pond, it was agreed that two further quotes should be obtained regarding the works. Councillor Wright agreed to circulate a letter and report previously received from a specialist company regarding the depth of works required. **Action:** Councillor Wright.

It was also agreed that £10,000 should be included in the budget for 2027 to cover any works that may be required.

Councillor Barnett agreed to apply for Dacorum Borough Council's Green Grant. **Action:** Councillor Barnett.

26/007/OC **To consider quotation to replace a tree on Bovingdon Green**

It was agreed that a Hop Hornbeam should be planted at an estimated cost of £700. The proposal will be submitted to the Parish Council meeting on 2nd November 2026 for approval.

It was also agreed that Councillor Wright would obtain additional quotations for the work required to cut back the tree at the Dock, which is currently overhanging the electricity substation. **Action:** Councillor Wright.

26/008/26 **Update on works to hedges bordering Grange Farm**

It was agreed that the Parish Clerk should contact Taylor Wimpey to request that the hedge be cut back. **Action:** Parish Clerk.

26/009/26 **To consider quotation for works to the wildflower triangle on Green Lane**

It was agreed that approval should be sought from Rob Cassidy at Dacorum Borough Council before any work is undertaken to establish wildflower areas on Bovingdon Green and the High Street. A quotation of £250–£300 has already been obtained, with the cost to be met from the wildflower fund. **Action:** Parish Clerk.

26/010/OC **Update on outstanding works to the Dock and to consider the additional signage**

Councillor Wright confirmed that work on the Dock should commence during the autumn.

26/011/OC **To consider the updating of the Village Gateways**

Councillor Barrett has contacted the Police Commissioner regarding the works being undertaken at the village gateway. Once further information

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has been received, it was agreed that the Outdoors Committee will consider whether any additional works are required by the Parish Council.

26/012/OC **To consider the cost and provision of a village Christmas Tree**
It was agreed that a Christmas tree should be provided for the village at an estimated cost of £200. The proposal will be submitted to the Parish Council meeting on 2nd November 2026 for approval.

26/013/OC **To consider the provision and costs of litter signage**

It was agreed that Councillor Wright would obtain quotations for the possible provision of litter signage outside Jarman's. **Action:** Councillor Wright.

To consider passing a resolution in the following terms:

Exclusion of the public

Part II - That under S 4 (A) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded during the item(s) in Part II of the agenda for this meeting, because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during these items there would be disclosure to them of information relating to:

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Meeting finished 8:35 pm

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Signed …… Dated ……