



PYECOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on at Pyecombe Church, Pyecombe on
Thursday 23rd July 2026 at 6:00pm.

Present – Cllr D. Wilson Chair, Cllr J. Cullen, Cllr T. Cullen, and Cllr L. Sullivan.
Mid Sussex District Councillor G. Zeidler.
Clerk D. Langston.
Five members of the public who left after item 13.26.

Minutes

10.26 Apologies for absence were received from West Sussex County Councillor R. Jackson.

11.26 Mrs J. Cullen was co-opted as a Pyecombe Parish Councillor and duly elected.

12.26 No interests were declared.

13.26 Chair closed the meeting for the public forum.

14.26 Minutes of the Annual Parish and Annual Statutory Meetings of the Parish Council held on
12th May 2026 were approved by Council and signed by the Chair.

15.26 Mid Sussex District Councillor G. Zeidler updated on the following items.

- MSDC meeting held on 22nd July 2026. Formal proposal regarding the re-development of Burgess Hill town centre.
- Local government re-organisation discussions on what may happen with the new unitary authorities.
- Brighton proposal has now been extended and includes Peacehaven. A decision on East and West Sussex is potentially due in October 2026.
- District Plan Inspector has confirmed there needs to be an increase of 4,000 additional dwellings. A large number of these dwellings will fall into Sayers Common and Albourne.
- Parking charges within the villages is still proposed although consultation on this is still awaited.
- Removal of abandoned vehicles now falls under the remit of MSDC.



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16.26 To receive an update on Parish items to include:

- Children's Play Area. A recent site meeting has been held with MSDC where council raised concerns regarding the unfinished areas. Following concerns raised during the public forum Council will request a further meeting with MSDC in regard to removing or resurfacing the current car parking area and re-siting the basketball hoop.
- PY4 footpath was raised as an issue during the public forum. Council has already contacted the WSCC PROW team to highlight residents' concerns regarding the newly laid surface and the impact this has had on the local wildlife habitat. Residents have also raised concerns regarding the speed of cyclists using the route and the potential safety impact on both walkers and equestrian users.
- Flooding adjacent to BP garage. Regular gully clearances have been scheduled to assist with the issues experienced with flooding at this location. Item remains ongoing.
- Clerk is liaising with WSCC Highways to obtain Contractor has been requested to provide a quote for the installation of two wooden planters along the Old London Road near Pyecombe Street.
- Warning signs for School Lane and Church Lane were agreed by council. Clerk will arrange for these to be ordered.

17.26 Cllr Wilson updated on recent power supply outages in the parish. Recent meetings have been held with UK Power Networks. This item remains ongoing.

18.26 Cllr Wilson confirmed his attendance at the parish meeting being held with Alison Bennett.

19.26 Financial & Administration Matters

Council reviewed balance sheet against budget and confirmed a spend of £7,367.55 (seven thousand, three hundred and sixty-seven pounds and fifty-five pence) in line with the predicted budget. Balance sheet was checked against the bank statements and signed by the Chair.

Payments raised since last meeting:

£591.98 WSCC Invoice 8002073479 Salary & Pension.

£367.03 EDF Energy Invoice 27950637 Street light energy supply.

£ 88.99 K. Grocott Wildflower Seeds.

£101.60 K. Grocott Plants for parish planters.

£ 52.00 ICO Annual membership.

£ 86.02 SLCC MEM258480-3 Annual membership.

£361.60 EDF Energy Invoice 28384644 Street light energy supply.

£205.00 Perfect Print Invoice 00014001 newsletter printing.

£750.88 WSCC Invoice 8002078575 Salary & Pension.

£391.97 WSCC Invoice 8002082328 street light maintenance contract.



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£671.43 WSCC Invoice 8002078575 Salary & Pension.

£351.03 EDF Energy Invoice 28671783 Street light energy supply.

20.26 Date of next meeting confirmed as 29th September 2026.