

Minutes of a meeting of Heskin Parish Council held on 19th February 2026 at Heskin Village Hall

Present Cllr Mrs Bamber, Cllrs Singh, Forshaw, Lloyd, Elphick, Woodroffe.

2 members of the public were also present.

1. Items raised by residents

Two members of the public were present. They commented at length about their concerns for the Story Homes proposal to build 350 houses on the former Camelot site. Issues included Traffic, House Affordability, Lack of Infrastructure, ie Doctors, Dentists, Schools. Members commented and supported the residents and thanked them for their attendance.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 18th December 2025.

The minutes were signed as a true record.

3. Planning Items

a) Story Homes Camelot site

Members unanimously agreed to object to this application. The Clerk read a proposed response which was approved and it is attached to these minutes.

b) Land North of Wood Lane PIP 25/01163/PIP

Members resolved to object on the grounds of Green Belt, Traffic, unproved need.

4. Payment of Accounts

The Clerk presented a list of payment which had been made, cheques signed by 3 members. The list was noted and is attached to these minutes.

5. Speed Indicator Device

Council considered the responses from LCC and CBC and Cllr Singh indicated that he had discussed the location with a resident who had complained. Council unanimously approved the provision of a SPID and the Clerk was asked to notify CBC.

6. Council Elections Update

The Clerk reported that CBC Elections would now proceed in May. Council also noted correspondence from LALC Lancashire and LALC Chorley and resolved to notify them of their continued support of a Unitary System rather than the 2 Tier System involving LCC and District Councils.

7. Village Hall Update.

Cllr Singh reported on recent improvements e.g Solar Panels which are already saving money, grants received, and a new project regarding the front apron of the Village Hall .

8. Request for a new sewer connection on The Meadows.

The Clerk presented correspondence from a resident asking for permission to connect a new replacement link from two faulty Septic Tanks to a sewer on The Meadows. Members expressed concern about the possible adverse effect for existing properties on The Meadows and recent blockages. The Clerk was asked to contact United Utilities for detailed plans and guarantees, and to advise the resident that nothing should be done until further information is received.

9. Date of next meeting 16th April 2026