

**Baumber Parish Council - Draft Minutes of Ordinary Meeting.
Parish Clerk – Melvin Grosvenor 01507 578657.**

Draft Minutes of Ordinary Baumber Parish Council Meeting on **Wednesday 22 October 2025** commenced at 7.30pm at Baumber Village Hall.

Those present: Chairman Cllr M Harrison, Vice Chairman Cllr M Jones, Cllr M Baverstock , Cllr C Smith, ELDC Cllr W Gray.
Clerk: Mr M Grosvenor.

1025/34 Apologies for absence.

Received apologies Cllr T Cuttall, Cllr G Wilbourn & Cllr N Oliver.

1025/35 Public Participation.

No Public Participation.

1025/36 Declaration of Interest.

No Declarations.

1025/37 Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Minutes of Ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 23 July 2025 and Extra Ordinary meeting held on Wednesday 1 October 2025 approved and signed as a true record.

1025/38 Clerks report on matters outstanding:

a). Update: 0724/27 . Public Participation item a) Resident of Silver St Baumber Re: Condition of footpath. The narrow footpath is in a poor condition and is caked in mud and debris Jan 2025 Cllr MJ & Clerk Observations. LCC Highways have undertaken repair patching of small areas of footpath in front of the row of houses adjacent to the road surface. **21/05/2025** Cllr N Oliver agreed to chase improvement works to clear footpath to improve access and amenity.

Update: 15/08/25. Clerk met Cllr N Oliver on site & progress report received.

Site visit and works in hand to scrape silt and debris from the narrow footpath. Check structure/vegetation blocking footway..

02/10/25 - LCC Highways have undertaken works to clear the debris in the roadside drainage ditch: *The job to jet the culvert and drainage ditch has taken place, there were no defects found, and the culvert is running well. Will continue to monitor the build-up of silt as we move into Autumn/Winter.* Cllr M Jones to monitor over the autumn/winter months.

1025/39 Update: 0725/27.

Cllr's M Baverstock & C Cuttall raised concerns regarding the rapid deterioration of the newly resurfaced Footpath No 90 by LCC. Cllr N Oliver has raised the matter with LCC. Clerk submitted report on 27 May & received a response confirming the matter has been referred to the contractor. Update: LCC have initiated remedial works. Any further deterioration to report?

1025/40 Update ref: 0524/15 B1225/A158 junction permanent street lights switch off. LCC Highways confirmed existing A158 redundant lights (29-43) to be removed.

Matter for review May/June 2025. **Update:** Clerk received the following response from Highways 03/09/2025: *As confirmed there have been no collisions of any severity since May 2024 when the additional lights were switched off, we shall proceed with column*

removal works. With staff returning from summer leave, works preparation shall begin shortly with column removals planned for the winter, most likely Jan/Feb 2026.

1025/41 Financial Statement at 22/10/2025.

Description	DR/CR/Ref	Amount £
Bank reconciliation 27/06/2025		7015.63
Note: Bal Includes Cllr W Gray Funding Traffic Calming signs		850.00
Payments/Invoices due 23/07/2025		
Clerk Admin Expenses April/May/June/July 2025	DR 396	46.80
LIVES Invoice Defib Pads	DR 397	87.59
Bank Charges 10 May - 10 June	Debit	6.75
Bank charges 28/07/2025	Debit	4.25
Bank charges 28/08/2025	Debit	5.25
Sub Total	DR	150.64
Bank reconciliation 29/09/2025		6864.99
Invoices due 1 October 2025		
TQ Services Village grass cut 10/09/2025 (2nd Cut)	DR 398	228.00
TQ Services St Swithin's Churchyard cut 29/09/2025.	DR 398	144.00
Cllr M Jones Replacement Litter Picking boots	DR 399	81.00
Sub Total	DR	453.00
Balance C/F		6411.99
Invoices/payments due 22/10/25		
Clerk Admin Expenses Aug/Sept/Oct	DR400	34.00
LALC WMS Additional 5 hours	DR401	108.00
R & H Plant Kissing Gate Installation Permissive FP	DR402	420.00
TQ Services Village grass cut 06/10/2025 (3rd Cut)	DR403	228.00
Sub Total	DR	790.00
Balance C/F		5621.99
LCC Highways Grass cutting contribution 2025	CR	2431.27

1025/41 Financial Statement cont/..

a) Approved Invoices/Payments due.

b) Update regarding LIVES Annual Maintenance contract to be provided at the next meeting.

Update: 25/07/25 LIVES have confirmed they are no longer providing annual maintenance service. LIVES have confirmed Defib is registered and serviced up to July 2026. LIVES confirmed that the Defib is registered and is ready and available for use. Clerk to update Baumber PC at our next meeting scheduled for 22 October 2025, when the ongoing Guardianship arrangements of the Defib will be considered and agreed. Clerk confirmed that BPC in any event will continue to fund the costs of replacement pads etc.,

c) Update re Grass cutting services. Contractor has confirmed will be undertaking 4th Cut in November plus cutting the Churchyard.

d) LCC Highways PO received & Clerk has issued BPC Invoice to the sum of £2,431.27.

1025/42 Planning.

1. 02411/25/FUL Western View, Silver Street, Baumber.

Planning Permission - Change of use, conversion of and extensions and alterations to existing detached games room/store to form a dwelling house in connection with the principle dwelling. Circulated submitted plans by email - Clerk's request for extension of consultation date from 17/07/25 to 24/25 July for Members to consider denied. Clerk

submitted consultation response based on Member's email comments. Update: Application Approved 23/07/2025.

2. 02174/25/FUL Baumber Village Hall West Lane Baumber.

Planning Permission - Erection of a Storage Shed.

Members considered application and **Resolved**: to support in principle, but for the proposed location of the shed to be positioned at the southern end of the Village Hall, between the hall and the West Lane hedgerow and adjacent to the Eastern boundary hedgerow. This position would be less visually intrusive and would minimise the reduction in car park spaces. The installed shed should be of green metal construction with an apex roof. Clerk submitted response 02/06/25. Decision 25 June Submitted plans approved. Shed installed.

3. Update ref: 0524/18 - S/079/01078/22 LAND ADJACENT SOTBY WOODS HATTON.

Planning Permission - Installation of a temporary ground mounted 49.9MW solar farm with associated infrastructure, construction of vehicular accesses, CCTV cameras on 4m high poles a 15m high communications tower and security fencing to a maximum height of 2.2m. **Update: Refused consent. Update 07/05/2025: Appeal ref no: AP/02008/25/REF** to Secretary of State against refusal by ELDC. Local resident group participating as a Rule 6 Party. Members **Resolved**: to continue objection and support the Community case at the Appeal.

Public Inquiry opened on 09/09/25 - 12/09/25 for 4 days of in person sessions and on Tuesday 16/09/25. Due to a failure to adequately consult on amended plans an Extra Ordinary BPC was convened on 01/10/25 to consider revised plans and photomontages. Members **Resolved** to raise concerns re the accuracy of the photomontages and maintain overall position. Clerk submitted Reconsultation response 06/10/25. Closing submissions and Conditions session convened 13/10/25 and Inquiry formally closed. Accompanied site visit scheduled for 16/10/25.

4. Update ref: 20/21/05 Manor Farm Lincoln Road Baumber - Alleged 5 Contraventions of Development Consent. - Case update still awaited from ELDC Development Control. Members considered concerns raised regarding the felling of the line of approximately 20 trees lining the internal access to Manor Farm.

1025/43 ref: 0725/30 Un - adopted historical footpath West Lane - St Swithin's - kissing gate & access to Footpath 92. **Update:** 10/10/24 Clerk posted to the 2 involved landowners Service of Notice of Application for Modification Order - Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) with covering letter requesting support for application. 23/10/2024 Clerk has submitted all completed forms and resident's evidence to the Definitive Map Officer LCC.

Update: 15/05/2025. Exchanges of emails between LCC & landowner confirm that:

- a) LCC has agreed to provide an approved kissing gate FOC.
- b) The landowner has confirmed acceptance of the installation on boundary fence of the existing permissive footpath, but is not in support of the DMMO application for the Adoption of the footpath.
- c) Clerk has notified LCC of approval of installation of the specified kissing gate which has been delivered ready for installation.
- d) Clerk has been liaising with qualified contractor to arrange the installation and confirm the cost of the installation which can be funded from available BPC's reserves ref: Agenda item 0525/17.
- e) Clerk has written to the adjacent landowner who visited the site and consented for the

Kissing - Gate

f) 12/08/25 installed at the boundary fence.

1025/44 Update: 0725/32 Minor Items Cllr M Jones raised concerns regarding overgrown and rat infested condition of the derelict Red Lion site. Clerk to submit complaint to ELDC Enforcement & Environmental Heath. Response 04/09/25 Ref: EC/02196 Site inspected and determined that the land is not suitable to be considered for any action under Sec 215 of Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

1025/45 Correspondence. Walled Garden Invitation to Members to attend an event on 4 April 2026.

1025/46 Minor Items. Consideration of Interactive Speed warning signs.

1025/47 Date of Next Meeting/s:

Ordinary Parish Council Meetings: 21/01/2026, 18/03/2026 All Parish Council meetings commence at 7.30pm at Baumber Village Hall.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.