

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Caldecott Parish Council held on Thursday 14th May 2026 at 7.37 pm in the Village Hall.

Present 2026/28	Cllr A MacDermott (Chair), L McCole, P Clark, B Hook and K Lawrie, Mrs Medwell (Clerk) and one member of the public.	
Election of Chair 2026/29	<p>The position of Chair was open to all Councillors. Cllr Hook nominated Cllr MacDermott and was seconded by Cllr McCole. Cllr MacDermott agreed to become Chair.</p> <p>The Chair duly signed the Declaration of Office, witnessed by the Responsible Financial Officer.</p>	
Election of Vice Chair 2026/30	<p>The position of Vice Chair was open to all Councillors. Cllr MacDermott nominated Cllr Hook and was seconded by Cllr McCole. Cllr Hook agreed to become Vice Chair.</p> <p>The Vice Chair duly signed the Declaration of Office, witnessed by the Responsible Financial Officer.</p>	
Apologies 2026/31	Cllr D Young - approved County Cllr A Brown.	
Declarations 2026/32	There were no Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda nor any changes to the Members' Register of Interests.	
Minutes 2026/33	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on 14th March 2024 were approved as a true record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chair.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Clark Seconded Cllr McCole</p>	
Matters Arising 2026/34	There were none	
Open Forum 2026/35	<p>The overgrown vegetation obscuring the Caldecott 30 mph sign at the Rockingham entrance to the village was brought to the Council's attention. The Clerk will refer this to the landowner requesting this is cut back.</p> <p>Following a request from a local resident, the Council agreed to put a list of Councillors on the Parish Council noticeboard. Residents were also encouraged to use the village website which has detailed information on all Parish Council and village related matters and can be found at www.caldecott-pc.gov.uk</p>	<p>JM</p> <p>JM</p>
Highways and Rights of Way 2026/36	<p>Informal village meeting. Cllr Hook referred to the recent informal village meeting, which was held to provide a forum for discussing highways issues and hearing residents' views and ideas. It was noted that volunteers had come forward for the Community Speed Watch scheme.</p> <p>Agreed actions. The Council agreed to hold a further meeting and to distribute flyers to those most affected by the traffic issues. Cllr Clark will draft the leaflet and will follow up on the bridge survey. This meeting was set for 11th June.</p> <p>Fundraising event. The Council agreed that its fundraising event in support of traffic calming measures will be held on Saturday 11th July.</p>	<p>PC</p>

