



**LFCA Committee Meeting
Wednesday 11 February 2026 at 7:30pm**

Minutes

1	<p>Welcome, apologies and introductions Attendance: Sam, Marcus, Emma, Jen, Jonathan, Lara. Apologies received: Eiman, Katie, Sarah, Richard, Caroline.</p>	
2	<p>Open forum - Ideas and questions from residents and stakeholders Loves Farm 2 - No update on emergency access plans and developers for the site yet. Marcus will follow up.</p> <p>Hustings for District Council Elections - There is an appetite to run another hustings. Jen will organise and Jonathan will host.</p> <p>Bethan Rodden starts on 29 March 2026 - Marcus</p>	15 mins
3	<p>Updates and announcements from Councillors Local Government Reorganisation - Marcus. Encouraging all residents to submit your preferred option for LGR via the survey link on the government website.</p> <p>Improvements on Station Square - Marcus. There is £20k to spend on the flower beds. HDC is exploring opportunities to match funding so we can sort the tree pits and drainage.</p> <p>Repairs to foot paths - Marcus - Operations Director at HDC has visited Loves Farm with Marcus. There is a plan in place and the budget is going to full council later in February. Could possibly change when a new administration comes in. Sam has written a letter of complaint about the footpaths, but will hold on for now due to good officer engagement at present.</p> <p>Updates from Lara - Stephen Ferguson has put himself forward for vice-chair of Wintringham residents association.</p> <p>Messages from residents about gritting. Following up with the council to ensure spine roads are included in the gritting route.</p> <p>Quote in for installation and maintenance of CCTV on Station Square. The majority of residents who responded to survey said they would like CCTV.</p>	Majority of 10 mins
4	<p>Finance update - Sarah Fuller Expenditure this period (since October 2025) £329. General funds held - £3,649.53 Funds ringfenced for wellbeing £995.11</p> <p>There have been no grant applications.</p>	5 mins
5	<p>Potential community forum and info event - Sam</p>	5 mins

	In the early stages of planning (with Love's Farm House) a community forum event about the future of St. Neots East to include info and share views on Love's Farm 2, Wintringham and other future developments happening in this area.	
6	Parking problems on Bawlins and Oliver Way - Sam A resident has raised concern over traffic at school drop off/pick up - speeding, dangerous parking etc. Sam has contacted a local Sergeant for advice. Marcus suggested consideration of road markings, enforcement and police presence.	5 mins
7	Recent increase in dog litter complaints - Sam Regular complaints from residents about dog litter in Whitchurch Walk and the School Path. Dog Warden has been informed. Encourage people to speak out if they witness it and report it. Lara will ask the dog warden what the penalties are and number of prosecutions.	5 mins
8	Local Highways Bids - Sam No further update on Station Square signage at the moment.	5 mins
9	Possible new noticeboard - Sam Sam intends to apply for a grant over the next few months.	5 mins
10	Compost for Parish Councils - Sam Sam and Jen to look into where this could be dumped in the Spring.	5 mins
11	Love's Farm News Sam, Dan and Chrissie have started meeting before each issue. Next issue in March. Please send in your content ideas. In the next issue: Invite residents to email the secretary if they would like to join the LFCA mailing list. Information on voting. Promote hustings. Directory of small businesses (Sam to content Ben about this).	5 mins
12	LFCA website content ideas - Richard Dates for committee meetings Dates for SMART days and any events Latest issue of Love's Farm News Information for residents - bins update Update councillors in May 2026 Jen will send updates to Richard.	5 mins
13	Street reps and newsletter delivery update A couple of people are interested in becoming a street rep. Sam is in contact with them.	5 mins
14	AOB Loves Farm 2 - The site will be called 'Loves Farm'. Urban and Civic have asked if the existing LFCA can cover the new development. Could we ask Urban and Civic for something in return. Potential to create a spin-off for the new development later. Something for us to discuss and consider. Sam reviewing the branding for the Loves Farm developers. Radio - On Friday 13 February at 6am to 10am BBC radio Cambridgeshire will be at Loves Farm House Cafe. To interview people who work at the cafe. Residents are welcome to attend and talk to them.	5 mins

<p>Upcoming dates for your diary Wednesday 13 May 2026 at 19:30 to 20:30 - at Loves Farm House. Wednesday 9 September 2026 at 19:30 to 20:30 - online. Friday 6 November 2026 in the evening - Loves Farm House for the Annual General Meeting (AGM), a joint event with the LFCA and Loves Farm House committee.</p>	
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