



COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

7 May 2026

Meeting commenced 7.03pm • Closed 8.33pm

Attendance

President: Barbara Haseldine

Vice President: Derek Hutchinson

Chairman: Lesley Miller

Vice-Chairman: position vacant

Secretary: position vacant

Treasurer: position vacant

Welfare Officer: Lesley Miller

Bar Manager: John Cole

Fixtures Secretary: Debbie Cox

Mid-Week Captain: Debbie Cox

Vice Captain: Derek Hutchinson

Club Captain: Ben Donaldson

Vice Captain: Lucy Roberts

Obelisk / Floodlit League: Lucy Roberts

Committee: Les Love

Apologies: Ben Donaldson, Lucy Roberts, Geoff Littlewood, Martin Pickering, Grace Wilson and Lucy Tobin.

Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes of the last meeting were circulated, read and duly signed as a true record.

Treasurer, Secretary, Trustees, green sign, bar licence, club phone, floor bracket and white lines/paint remain ongoing. GL and MP had fitted the screen and projector. Open day was very successful, with thanks given to all concerned.

Reports

Chairman's Report

LM is still looking into whether the club will have to pay small business rates. She will attend the council meeting on 13 May 2026. FTC wanted to meet with FTBC, grants are available from FTC but need to be applied for, and FTC is monitoring banners displayed around town, which will require permission.

Secretary's Report

The position remains vacant. GW said she will do what she can to help, and SM will carry on minuting meetings.

Treasurer's Report

The position remains vacant. LM is doing the accounts manually and is still struggling to get names changed with NatWest; JE needs to speak to the bank. LM ran through open day takings and club accounts. The committee voted and passed that the club should purchase a laptop for the treasurer.

Welfare

LM has passed welfare training and will print the certificate to put on the wall.

Bar Manager

JC said the bar struggled with supply on opening day, mainly due to the large crowd. He also said he was struggling a bit but would still do as much as possible. The committee thanked JC.

Fixtures and Mid-Week Captain

DC said the club had its first games on Saturday and Thursday and everything went well. Players need to put names on match sheets when available. People are commenting on how well the green is compared with last year. FTBC has entered two teams into the Evening Telegraph competition.

Club Captain

The promotion BD is doing for events is very good, but needs to include all club events.

Obelisk / Floodlit Report

The first week went well, although one team could not get enough players and had to cancel a fixture. Reminder: all players in the league need to be at least social members. GL to update.

Building and Grounds Maintenance

Building and maintenance remains ongoing. MP and SM are looking to get top dressing and seed for the green; they were asked to put what they need on the WhatsApp group so committee members can vote. Premier Lawncare remains ongoing.

Sponsorship and Advertising

There were two sponsor donations of £500 towards the purchase of the mower. Thanks were recorded and letters of thanks are to be sent. Another sponsorship board and a playing regulations board are needed inside club grounds.

Upcoming Events

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Bingo night	12 June 2026
Quiz night	27 June 2026

Any Other Business

- LM investigated bottle bin collection every two weeks at £7.99. This was voted and passed.
- Club rules must be adhered to.
- The committee agreed there is to be **no smoking or drinking** in front of the path that goes around the green.
- All players must be paid-up members before playing in county competitions.
- New shirts/kit need to be sorted and approved by LM.
- DH asked who knows what to do computer system-wise apart from GL if something untoward should happen. DH is standing down as beer pipe cleaner after the next bingo night. Thanks were given to DH for all he has done.

NEXT MEETING

4 June 2026 at 7.00pm

Finedon Town Bowling Club

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