



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**

held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.00pm in West Row Outdoor Bowls Club, Beeches Road, West Row IP28 8NY

**Attendance:**

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| Councillor Alan Fisher               | Chair      |
| Councillor Roz Hamill                | Vice Chair |
| Mrs Sharon Vale                      | Clerk      |
| Councillor Martin Connery            |            |
| Councillor Lisa Baker                |            |
| Councillor Alan Goodenough           |            |
| Councillor Sally Knight              |            |
| Councillor Teresa Gooch-Taylor Balls |            |

Members of the electorate and other attendees:

No Members of the electorate or other attendees were present.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7:00pm. A reminder to everyone that the meeting was being recorded for accurate writing of the minutes.

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| 526 | <b><u>Apologies and acceptance for absence</u></b><br>Apologies requiring consent received from Councillor Michael Peachey, Councillor June Goodenough, County Councillor Colin Noble and Squadron Leader Owen Crosby.  |  |
| 527 | <b><u>To receive member's declaration of interest and dispensations relating to items on this agenda.</u></b><br>None were received.  |  |
| 528 | <b><u>To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the council held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026 are a true and correct record.</u></b><br>It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 were a true and correct record. The minutes were signed by the Chair. |  |

Signed by Chair of Meeting:.....

Date Signed: 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026



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| 529 | <p><b><u>Public Participation session (15 minutes) to include District and County Councillors’, RAF Mildenhall and Police Reports, plus representation from electors of the Parish.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>County Councillor Colin Noble – Suffolk County Council</b><br/>Apologies received and nothing to report at this time.</li> <li>b. <b>District Councillor Don Waldron – West Suffolk Council</b><br/>Nothing to report at this time.</li> <li>c. <b>Squadron Leader Owen Crosby – RAF Mildenhall</b><br/>Report circulated to Council Members ahead of meeting.</li> <li>d. <b>PC Scott Cameron – Community Police Officer</b></li> </ul> |  |
| 530 | <p><b><u>Planning Matters</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>  |  |
| 531 | <p><b><u>Matters Relating to Governance</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Annual Parish Meeting – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026.</li> <li>B. To appoint our Internal Auditor for 2025/2026-year end.</li> <li>C. To review and adopt the circulated Asset Register. The Asset Register was circulated to Council Members ahead of the meeting for annual review. No changes were suggested by Council Members. The circulated version was adopted for 2026.</li> </ul>  |  |
| 532 | <p><b><u>Financial Matters</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Approval and Authorisation of Payments for March 2026. It was unanimously Resolved to Accept the payments.</li> <li>b. Approval of February 2026 Bank Reconciliation was received.</li> <li>c. Approval of February 2026 Current/Deposit Account was received.</li> <li>d. Approval of Insurance Policy Renewal was received.</li> </ul>   |  |
| 533 | <p><b><u>Matters Relating to Street Furniture/Amenity Provision</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Report on Speed Indicator Device Findings. SID stats remain consistent.</li> <li>b. Update on Footpath 30 (eroded riverbank) along the river at bottom of the Gravel.</li> <li>c. SCC Development – Councillor Michael Peachey has been in communication with Lovell’s who now expect the development works to begin on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March.</li> <li>d. Building site at the entrance to Pott Hall Road – Councillor A Fisher has spoken to WSC regarding the site and can report that the case is</li> </ul>   |  |

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| 536 | <p><b><u>Events</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Easter Egg Hunt - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2026. All going to plan. Clerk to liase with the food van and arrange for them to attend on the day.</li> <li>b. Litter Pick. Parish Keeper to take on the role this year.</li> <li>c. Christmas 2026. Councillor A Fisher to speak to Rev'd Mark McCaghrey regarding our plans for the lighting of the Christmas tree on the first Friday of December. It was also suggested that we hold our own Santa Grotto in the Church Hall on the same evening. Clerk to invite both Rev'd Mark McCaghrey and Evan King to attend next month's meeting to further discuss details.</li> <li>d. Parish Council Surgeries. Next surgery to take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2026 from 10:00 to 12:00 where copies of the full Neighbourhood plan will be available to view. Additional surgeries will be on every third Saturday of the month.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Clerk</b></p> <p><b>AF</b></p> |
| 537 | <p><b><u>Chair and Councillors' reports/suggestion (on the night)</u></b></p> <p>Councillor Michael Peachey reported that SCC are running slightly behind on the FP6 upgrades but still hope to complete them within the next couple of months.</p> <p>Councillor Martin Connery has had a request from a resident about installing a safety gate at the bottom of FP6 which leads onto Cricks Road. Alan Fisher to liase with Suffolk Highways.</p> <p>Councillor Roz Hamill has had a complaint from a resident regarding the sleeper outside the residence Cherokee on Jarmans Lane. Clerk to investigate.</p>   | <p><b>AF</b></p> <p><b>Clerk</b></p> |
| 538 | <p><b><u>Correspondence and exchange of additional information (at the discretion of the Chair)</u></b></p>   |                                      |
| 539 | <p><b><u>Date of the next meeting</u></b></p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026.</p>  |                                      |
| 540 | <p><b><u>Meeting closed</u></b></p> <p>The meeting closed at 20:50 pm.</p>  |                                      |