



MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Monday 07 April 2025 commencing at 7.30pm held at Tattingstone Village Hall.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED INCLUDED AT APPENDIX B

PRESENT: Cllr D Clarke, Cllr J Lee, Cllr A Mendel (Chair), Cllr S Page, and Cllr B Plumbly.

Also in attendance: 1 member of the public.

01 OPENING

Cllr Mendel declared the meeting open at 7.30pm and thanked all for attending. A statement was read out by the Chair indicating that, in accordance with legislation, the public and councillors were permitted to film, record, photograph or use social media in order to report on the proceedings of the meeting, providing permission has been sought from the Clerk and/or Chair.

02. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To note and approve apologies received – Cllrs noted and approved apologies received from Cllrs Abbott, Hawes & Stennett, County Councillor Harley and District Councillor Potter.

03. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and other registerable interests as detailed in Appendix B of the LGA Model Code of Conduct -no declarations were received.
- (b) To receive notifications of gifts of hospitality exceeding £50 – none submitted.
- (c) To note the determination of requests for dispensations for items on the agenda under discussion – none requested

04. MINUTES

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 3rd March 2025 –

Cllr Page proposed that Council approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the proceedings that took place with the above note, seconded by Cllr Clarke - aif. The Chair signed a copy of the agreed minutes.

05. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- (a) A written report had been circulated from Cllr. Harley and a copy of this report is available with the meeting papers.
- (b) A written report had been circulated from Cllr Potter and a copy of his report is available with the meeting papers.



06. CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) Actions were noted.
- Cllr Page summarised the Peninsula Alliance meeting on the 4th of April, as well as providing background on the reasons for the Alliance and their concerns about planning on the Peninsula. Notes will be available from the meeting.
- (b) To note correspondence received in March 2025.
- 1) Letter from MP re. Neighbourhood Plans
 - 2) Letter re. National Landscape Awards
 - 3) Email from resident re. CIL money
Respond to resident asking if they would like their letter forwarded to the Playing Field Committee
 - 4) Planning letter consultation
Respond with the PC's objection
 - 5) SALC summary of drop in session with MHCLG
 - 6) Email from Lighthouse Women's Aid seeking support (see 6.2.b)
Respond to the charity asking them to fill in a grant form
 - 7) Invitation to SALC AGM
 - 8) SALC Devolution update
 - 9) A12 lighting update from Highways
 - 10) BMSDC notification of bin emptying price increase
It was noted that a dog waste bin has a broken support post and this needs repairing
 - 11) Highways notification of A137 closures
- (c) None received

07. PUBLIC FORUM

- (a) To receive questions and matters of concern from members of the public in attendance on items on the agenda submitted –
- None.
- (b) To receive comments or questions relating to Tattingstone in particular –
- None.
- (c) To receive questions and comments submitted in writing/email for future consideration by the Council – nothing raised

08. FINANCE REPORT

- (a) To note the balance of accounts as at 31st March 2025.
The balances were as follows:
- Lloyds Account: £10,848.49
 - Lloyds Savings Account: £35,014.03
- (b) To approve the accounts paid since the last meeting and accounts awaiting payment including forthcoming payments together with the receipts received since the last meeting.
Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Lee seconded that the payments detailed should be ratified and agreed – aif.



- (c) To consider any requests for financial support received from local people or groups –
- None received
- (d) Councillors noted that currently, legal fees for dealing with an ongoing complaint stand at £1593 and will increase.

09. PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) To consider and agree a response to the following planning matters related to Tattingstone
DC/25/01443
Braemar, Folly Farm, Main Road, Tattingstone Ipswich Suffolk
Full Planning Application - Erection of dwelling and garage (following demolition of existing dwelling and garage)
Cllr Mendel proposed supporting this application, with Cllr Lee seconding & aif.
- (b) To note the following decision notices received:
DC/24/05017
Orion, Church Road, Tattingstone, Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LY
Application for a Non Material Amendment relating to DC/21/00730 - Change external wall finish from render and paint to hardi plank cladding system in black.
Planning permission was GRANTED

11. VILLAGE MATTERS

- (a) To receive an update from the Playing Field Representative
Cllr Page reported that the Playing Field Committee met on the 28th March 2025. The grass cutting quote has been received and passed to the Clerk. The Committee is very happy with the grass cutting and the grass cutter will also now be cutting the cricket square. A Committee member has stood down, with 2 volunteers to take their place. Cllr Page responded to Cllr Clarke's query about a hardstanding, with the Committee stating that this cannot be put in place due to limits on the amount of hard surface allowed on the field. Cllr Page will ask the Committee to notify the Parish Council of the Playing Field AGM date so Cllr Clarke can attend and raise this issue.
- (b) Neighbourhood Plan response summary
Cllr Mendel summarised the latest response document for the Neighbourhood Plan and explained that there will be another chance to comment after the next stage of the NP process.
Cllr Lee proposed to accept the summary, with Cllr Page seconding and the majority in favour. Cllrs Plumbly and Clarke abstained.

12. INTERNAL AUDIT

- (a) Councillors noted the dates of the internal audit are the 9th to 13th of June 2025.

13. OVERGROWN HEDGING, CHURCH ROAD

Councillors discussed the issue of overgrown hedging on the bend of Church Road, which is also impacting the footpath through to The Close. Councillors agreed that the Clerk would write to the owner of the hedgerow to request they resolve the issue.



14. RE-CONSULTATION OF REGULATION 25 APPLICATION

Councillors' objection to the application remains unchanged from the previous consultation.

15. VEXATIOUS CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Councillors noted receipt of the example policy.
- (b) Councillors agreed to implement a Vexatious Correspondence policy.

16. DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- (a) Annual Parish Council meeting – Tuesday 06 May 2025, 7.30pm
- (b) Annual Parish Meeting – Thursday 29 May 2025, 7pm

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public were excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed:

17. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM (URGENT)

A confidential item of correspondence was read to Councillors, who noted its content and discussed a response.

The meeting closed at 9.14 pm.

SIGNED.....DATED..... TATTINGSTONE Parish Council

ACTIONS

MONTH	MINUTE NO.	ACTION	WHO
Apr	6(b).3	Respond to resident asking if they would like their letter forwarded to the Playing Field Committee	RBN
Apr	6(b).10	Arrange dog bin post repair	RBN
Apr	9(a)	Log support for planning application DC/25/01443	RBN
Apr	11(a)	Ask the Playing Field Committee to notify the Parish Council of the Playing Field AGM date	SP
Apr	13	Write to the owner of the hedgerow to request they resolve the issue.	RBN
Apr	14	Reiterate objection to SCC/0105/22B	RBN
Apr	15(b)	Write a Vexatious Correspondence policy & circulate for review	RBN



APPENDIX A – List of common abbreviations used.

Aif	All in favour
AGAR	Annual Governance and Accountability Return
APM	Annual Parish Meeting
APCM	Annual Parish Council Meeting
ASB	Anti-social Behaviour
BACS	Bankers Automated Clearing Services
BDC	Babergh District Council
BLC	Brantham Leisure Centre
BMCIC	Brantham Management Community Interest Company
BOS	Brantham Open Spaces Group
BMSDC	Babergh & Mid Suffolk District Council
BPC	Brantham Parish Council
CEP	Community Emergency Plan
CAS	Community Action Suffolk
Chq	Cheque
Clr	Councillor
Cttee	Committee
DCLG	Department of Communities and Local Government
FC	Finance Committee
FOI	Freedom of Information
FR	Financial Regulations
GPoC	General Power of Competence
HMRC	Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs
LPA	Local Planning Authority
LPF	Lower Playing Field
LSC	Legal Sub Committee
NHS	National Health Service
NDP	Neighbourhood Development Plan
NP	Neighbourhood Plan
PC	Parish Council
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
RFO	Responsible Finance Officer
RFSC	Recreation, Footpaths and Services Committee
SALC	Suffolk Association of Local Councils
SCC	Suffolk County Council
SID	Speed Indicator Device
SLA	Service Level Agreement
SNT	Safer Neighbourhood Team
SO	Standing Order
TPO	Tree Preservation Order
VAS	Vehicle Activated Sign
VCSE	Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Organisations
HMC	Village Hall Management Committee