

MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Monday 03 November 2025 commencing at 7.30pm held at Tattingstone Village Hall.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED INCLUDED AT APPENDIX B

PRESENT: Cllr R Abbott, Cllr J Lee, Cllr A Mendel (Chair), Cllr S Page, Cllr B Stennett and Cllr B Plumbly.

Note: Councillor D Hawes resigned from the Parish Council

Also in attendance: County Councillor Simon Harley.

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.

Councillor Stennett recorded the meeting and agreed to share the recording with the Clerk.

02. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To note and approve apologies received – Cllrs noted and approved apologies received from 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 None.
- (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 Tattler magazine for £500.

04. MINUTES

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 6th October 2025 –

Cllr Abbott proposed that Council approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the proceedings that took place, seconded by Cllr Plumbly - 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 this report is available with the meeting papers.



06. CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) Actions were noted.
- (b) To note correspondence received in September/October 2025.
 - Thank You Letter from Lighthouse Women's Aid For Information Only (Newsletter available upon request)
 - 2) BMSDC Briefing

FIO

3) NSIP Update

FIO (spreadsheet available upon request)

4) Link for SALC Babergh Forum notes

FIO

5) SCC Meeting on LGR

No attendance (recording of previous meeting to be sent to Cllr Lee)

6) Bramford to Twinstead update with survey link

To register as a consultee

7) Event info from James Cartlidge

FIO (advertised on social media)

8) SALC news Bulletin – feedback on SCC budget

To complete individually

9) SALC communication re. NSIPs

No attendance

10) VCFSE Organisation Support Programme

FIC

11) SALC notification of subscription increase

FIO

12) BMSDC Community Governance Review

To respond individually

13) SALC News Bulletin

FIO

14) SALC LGR Update

FIO

15) SALC LGR Forum

Clerk to attend

16) SALC NSIP Workshop

Clerk to attend

(c) Registration of Playing Field

Bendall & sons have been posted the relevant documents

Village infographic sign quote:

- o 2mm foamex, c/w print to face
- o Cost = £116.01 + vat
- Additional £100 to re-write text so it's visible (file blurs when scaled up)
- The quote was updated to £157+Vat for material, with £100 for re-writing text. Cllr Page proposed, with Cllr Stennett seconding and aif, to go ahead with the sign works.



Play park inspection was not carried out for 2024/25 but has been booked with Babergh for 2025/26 No residents have requested an election so the empty Councillor seat can be Co-Opted

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
 - A resident noted that the church restoration is progressing well and multiple events are being planned, which will be publicised on St Mary's website.
 - A resident asked for an update on the village sign, which Cllr Plumbly informed them would be completed within two weeks.
- (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 28th October 2025. The balances were as follows:
 - Lloyds Account: £14,601.77
 - Lloyds Savings Account: £35,168.52
- (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 with the exception of the fete grant, which will be deferred until the new financial year as agreed with the PFC.
- (c) To consider any requests for financial support received from local people or groups
 - Councillors approved the request for £500 from the Tattler.
- (d) Councillors noted a VAT return has been filed for the period 01.07.2025-30.09.2025 at £229.66, which was received on the 9th October 2025
- (e) Councillors considered the draft budget for 2026/27, which will be brought back for December's meeting.

09. STATUTORY MATTERS

- (a) Councillors noted receipt of the External Audit report and its following note regarding the 2023/24 audit:
 - Information has come to our attention from the internal auditor highlighting the fact that Notice of conclusion of audit and external auditor report and certificate were not published on the authority's website by the dates specified in the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.
 - To note the External Audit report for 2024/25 has already been posted on the website.



(b) Councillors noted the conclusion of the External Audit, advertised by the Clerk in accordance with the regulations.

10. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) To consider and agree a response to the following planning matters related to Tattingstone DC/25/04611

Oakdene, The Heath, Tattingstone, Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LX

Householder Application - Erection of a single storey rear extension and alterations to existing fenestration. Addition of oak framed open porch.

Councillors SUPPORT this application

Two further applications were received after the agenda deadline:

DC/25/04764 & DC/25/04765

Walnut Tree Cottage Tattingstone Park Tattingstone Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2NF

Householder Application & Listed Building Consent - Raising the roof on existing extension, replacing with flat parapet roof and glazed lantern with minor internal alterations.

Councillors stand by their original support of this application (it has been re-submitted)

(b) To note the following decision notices received:
None

11. CALL FOR SITES AND FIVE YEAR LAND SUPPLY

- (a) Councillors noted Babergh have released their Call for Sites 2025
- (b) Councillors resolved not to respond to the consultation on Babergh's Draft Five-Year Housing Land Supply Position Statements.

12. INSURANCE

- (a) Councillors approved the 2025-26 Tattingstone Parish Council insurance renewal.
- (b) Councillors noted the insurance renewal premium has been paid to CAS at a cost of £639.22 to ensure cover remained active.

13. TRIBUTE TO SHEILA TWEEDY

(a) Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Abbott seconded – aif - that the Parish Council would support the Playing Field Committee in their lead on this project.

14. VILLAGE MATTERS

(a) To receive an update from the Playing Field Representative Cllr Page summarised the meeting held on the 24th October 2025, highlighting fete planning for 2026 and the second phase of the play equipment upgrade being well underway. Both the tennis and cricket clubs reported that they were doing well and the football club provided very positive



feedback for the pitch and facilities that Tattingstone provide. The PFC had a balance of £2193.06 on the 30th September 2025.

- (b) Councillors received an update from the Neighbourhood Plan Representative that the Neighbourhood Plan will now be submitted to an independent examiner.
 Councillors approved comments on the latest Consultation by majority.
- (c) Councillor Stennett reported that many residents have experienced issues with off-lead dogs at Alton Water.

Councillor Abbott also reported the same issue and all Councillors agreed that the Clerk will write to Alton Water and invite them to a Parish Council meeting.

Councillor Abbott also requested an update on the village shop after receiving enquiries from residents. Plans have been suspended due to a lack of support.

Councillor Lee reported that the Local Nature Response is posted on Suffolk County Council's website and she is happy to forward the link to anyone who would like to view it.

Councillor Page announced the resignation of Rodney Chadburn as Chairman of Tattingstone Good Neighbour Scheme, thanking him for his service. Cllr Page also thanked Janice Lee for taking on this role.

13. DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

The meeting closed at 8.53 pm.

(a) Parish Council meeting – Monday 01 December 2025, 7.30pm

SIGNED	DATED	TATTINGSTONE Parish Council



ACTIONS

MONTH	MINUTE NO.	ACTION	WHO
Nov	6b.5	Send recording to Cllr Lee	RBN
Nov	6b.8	SCC budget survey	All
Nov	6b.15	Book & attend LGR event	RBN
Nov	6b.16	Book & attend NSIP event	RBN
Nov	6c	Accept infographic sign quote & progress works	AM/RBN
Nov	6c	Advertise Casual Vacancy	RBN
Nov	8c	Pay Tattler grant	RBN
Nov	8e	Bring budget to Dec meeting	RBN
Nov	10a	Register support for DC/25/04611	RBN
Nov	10a	Register support for DC/25/04764 & DC/25/04765	RBN
Nov	13a	Liaise with PFC for tribute	RBN
Nov	14b	Submit NDP comment response to Babergh via the NDP Consultant	AM
Nov	14c	Write to Anglian Water	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
Cllr	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
ТРО	Tree Preservation Order
VAS	Vehicle Activated Sign
VCSE	Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Organisations
НМС	Village Hall Management Committee

December 2025

County Councillor's

Parish Report



Cllr Simon Harley, Peninsula Division

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Government Consultation on Council Reorganisation

On 19 November, the government launched their consultation on the two proposals submitted for council reorganisation in Suffolk. Suffolk County Council submitted a business case for the government proposing one council for the whole county, and the districts and boroughs submitted a business case proposing three councils, Western Suffolk, Central and Eastern, and Ipswich and Southern Suffolk. The government consultation is different from local consultations you may have filled out recently, and central government will be making the decision on what councils will look like in Suffolk in future. This consultation is only available until 11 January 2026, a relatively short time for Suffolk residents to express their preferences. You can find the consultation here: https://consult.communities.gov.uk/local-government-reorganisation/norfolk-suffolk/

If you want to read through the business cases proposed for the changes, there are links to them on the consultation page above.

Financial Pressures

On 4 November, Cabinet reviewed the council's financial performance for the first two quarters of the 2025-26 financial year. The council is now predicting an overspend for the year of £20.8m, which it will have to fund using its Risk Reserve. This is an increase of £7.5m compared to the prediction at the end of quarter one. Council financial reserves are forecast to reduce by £37m overall during the year, which is extremely worrying and unsustainable. The Dedicated Schools Grant 'negative reserve', a debt relating to Special Education Needs and Disabilities spend, is likely to be -£72.9m by the end of the year. The government allows local authorities to hold this debt via a 'statutory override' which is due to expire in March 2028. If the provision for this expires, it is likely that many councils in the country – not just Suffolk County Council - would be unable to balance their budgets. As well as SEND, overspends at the council are mostly in adult and children's social care.

Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects

At Cabinet on 4 November, it was agreed that the council would object to the Nation Grid's proposed Norwich to Tilbury grid reinforcement, which would see pylons and overhead electricity lines bisecting the county. Some undergrounding is planned in the Dedham Vale National Landscape area, with the council pressing for undergrounding in the Waveney valley too, and more generally objecting on the basis that offshore alternatives had not been fully explored, and that the grid reinforcement might not be necessary in the timescale asserted by National Grid Electricity Transmission. The council is also concerned about the impacts of the project and its construction on the environment and residents of Suffolk, and the possibility that the new lines might lead to an increased number of solar farm applications and energy projects along the route which would have a cumulative effect on the local area.

The council is also objecting to the Sea Link project, whereby cables would make landfall between Aldeburgh and Thorpeness, with a new substation and energy infrastructure built at Friston near

Saxmundham. The grounds for objection include inadequate road access, impact of the scheme on the local landscape and the proposals for a new bridge being 'disproportionate' and damaging to the environment and local heritage including Grade II listed buildings nearby.

Planning for Emergencies

At Scrutiny Committee on 20 November, the council's business continuity arrangements were reviewed. Business continuity refers to how the council ensures it would be able to continue providing essential services in situations of emergency, for example power outages, flooding, or pandemic illness like Covid. Members of the Joint Emergency Planning Unit joined the meeting to explain that all directorates at the council held plans for possible scenarios and incidents, with directors providing oversight and teams in each directorate reviewing and updating the plans as necessary. The council can also set up an Emergency Control Centre to respond to incidents and coordinate if multiple council directorates are affected. The council undertakes planned exercises to assess how its plans would work, and reviews processes after each incident or exercise to improve them. It also takes part in regional exercises, and uses a Home Office recording and planning system, Resilience Direct, to respond to emergencies, which means that it is not reliant on council IT systems in case of a cyberattack. Paper copies of all plans are kept in case of power outages.

New Project Celebrating Disability

Suffolk Archives has received a grant of £139,107 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund to deliver a new project called Beyond Labels: Celebrating Disability which aims to shine a light on the lives achievements and challenges of people with disabilities in Suffolk. Beyond Labels will collect and preserve personal stories - as well as the histories of organisations, schools, and charities that support disabled people - to create a record that celebrates those who cope with disabilities, while sparking conversations about inclusion, accessibility, and equality.

As part of the project, Suffolk Archives will work with local schools and community groups to offer free workshops that teach skills in recording, organising, and preserving archives. There will also be workshops around the county that provide opportunities for participants to co-create projects that amplify disabled voices and educate others about the challenges faced in daily life. The project will also include cataloguing and selective digitisation of existing disability-related records, making them more accessible to the public and ensuring that Suffolk Archives reflects the diversity of the county. There will be a free public exhibition at The Hold in Ipswich which will run from February to May 2026 to celebrate the stories collected through the project and encourage greater awareness and empathy across Suffolk.

Social Media and Helpful Links

Follow us on:

Twitter - Suffolk Green, Lib Dem & Independent Group (@ SuffolkGLI) / Twitter

Instagram – https://www.instagram.com/suffolkgli_group/

Facebook - Suffolk GLI - Green, Liberal Democrat & Independent Group | Facebook

Website - <u>Suffolk Green, Liberal Democrat and Independent Group – The GLI Group at Suffolk County Council (suffolkgli.wordpress.com)</u>

Cost of Living help and

advice: https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/family.page?familychannel

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Benefits advice and

support: https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/adult.page?adultchannel=0

Flood preparation advice: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/suffolk-fire-and-rescue-service/fire-and-

<u>rescue-</u> <u>safety-advice-in-the-community/what-to-do-in-a-flood</u>

https://suffolkprepared.co.uk/get-prepared/risk-advice/flooding/

Flood recovery advice and support: http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/flood-recovery-information-

for- suffolk



Rachel Belcher-Nairn Clerk to the Council Windmill Lodge, Mill Road Buxhall, Stowmarket IP14 3DS 07713 864505 clerk@tattingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk

Paper submitted by the Clerk to the Council in advance of the Parish Council meeting on 01 Dec 2025

Parish Clerk's Report – December 2025

a) To review actions from the previous meeting

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	01. 40	Booked	DD1
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		Booked, could not attend	444/554
Nov	6c	Accept infographic sign quote & progress works Completed	AM/RBN
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b) To receive items of correspondence

Please see Paper 6b.1

c) To receive an update from the Clerk on any other Council issues

- Village sign update required from Cllr Plumbly.
- Infographic sign has been completed and been picked up, will be installed during dry weather.

- Registration of the playing field: the solicitor has the paperwork and has advised the process will now take several months.
- Peninsula Alliance updates:
 - We met with Babergh to discuss planning and policy, with several actions for each side. Notes available on request.
 - Jimmy's Farm traffic will be raised with the farm and Suffolk Highways after problems on the A137 because of the Christmas Fayre.
 - o Contact information has been provided for the Highways engineer covering Tattingstone.

CORRESPONDENCE DECEMBER 2025

1)	BMSDC		Update		
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For Information Only

2) NSIP Update (spreadsheet available on request) with drop in information FIO

3) SALC link to Mayoral website

FIO

4) Landscape grant information

FIO

5) SCC link to Government LGR ConsultationTo decide a PC response and complete individually

6) Minutes of Police and Parish Forum, 24th Sept

FIO

7) SALC Communication re LGR

FIC

8) SALC News Bulletin

FIC

9) SALC NSIP info

FIO



Students debate climate issues at councils' second COP-style event

Ahead of global leaders gathering in Brazil for COP30 next month, students from schools across Suffolk have taken part in their own event to tackle real-world climate change issues.

<u>'A groundbreaking step forward' – Councils make listed building energy upgrades easier</u>

A groundbreaking council initiative – one of the first of its kind in the country – will help owners of Grade II listed buildings make their homes more energy efficient.

Councils ask communities to identify potential development sites

Residents, developers, landowners, businesses and other organisations are being invited to submit locations which could be considered for planned future development.

Dog owner prosecuted for noise nuisance

A Shotley resident has been fined over £1,000 after repeatedly allowing his dog to cause a serious noise disturbance, despite multiple warnings and formal enforcement action.

Developer cash to support communities in Babergh and Mid Suffolk

Towns and parishes across Babergh and Mid Suffolk are set to receive more than £1m in developer contributions to help community infrastructure keep pace with housing growth.

Upcoming funding summit

The Babergh and Mid Suffolk grants and funding team is hosting a free funding summit on Wednesday 19 November at Chamberlin Hall, Bildeston, from 9am to 2.30pm. The event will help community organisations access the funding they need and is being delivered in partnership with Suffolk Community Foundation, Community Action Suffolk, Suffolk County Council and the National Lottery Community Fund. Book online: Conference Booking Form: AideCRM

Anglian Water flood guidance

Anglian Water has created a leaflet to help people protect their homes from winter flooding. The information is particularly relevant due to the long, hot summer we have

had this year. You can find the leaflet as an attachment on this email. Further flooding information and guidance can be found on our website.

Sustainable Communities Food Fund

Our Sustainable Communities Food Fund provides grants to small scale food initiatives such as community pantries, fridges and food pop-ups.

Between £250 and £5,000 is available and can be used for anything from the purchase of equipment and revenue costs to delivering training and workshops.

Funding is awarded on a first come, first served basis, so please encourage groups to submit an application as soon as they can.

Good afternoon,

Please find attached updated spreadsheet showing the progress of NSIPs and large-scale energy projects in the districts for your information.

Of note in this update:

- The Norwich to Tilbury project has been accepted for examination by the Planning Inspectorate. You can view the application documents, and interested parties can register to comment on the application / participate in the examination here: https://national-infrastructure-consenting.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/EN020027/get-updates/start
- The Essex and Suffolk Water transfer, recycling and storage project non-statutory consultation has started and runs until 10th December. There will be a series of consultation events throughout November. The consultation can be found here: https://suffolkwaternetwork.co.uk./

We are expecting more projects / applications which may warrant a further update during a month. I will continue to review the effectiveness of this email update to keep councillors and parish councils up to date. I appreciate all feedback, thank you.

Please do let me know if you need any support for your parish council meetings regarding any of these projects, or any other matter.

<u>Please be reminded that pre-application details (those shown in red text on blue background)</u> are confidential and must not be shared. If you are uncertain about what can be shared please contact me.

I hope this is helpful. As ever, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Good morning,

Babergh and Mid Suffolk officers are trialing the offer of a regular drop in surgery to support our communities with the Norwich to Tilbury NSIP.

Starting on Thursday 13th November, officers will be available to answer questions about the project, process and how to participate.

Questions can be emailed in advance to <u>planningpink@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk</u> but this is not essential.

If the surgery sessions are helpful, we will look to continue to offer them throughout the examination and beyond.

Please note: The regularity of sessions may change depending on officer availability.

Interested parties can join the surgery session using the details in this invite.

Please do share this with your communities and let me know if you have any queries.



Weekly news e-bulletin

week commencing 10th November 2025

Devolution in Norfolk and Suffolk

The new Mayoral Combined County Authority (MCCA) website is now live.

Although the site is still in its early stages and content will continue to be developed, it already provides a helpful overview of the work underway to establish the new combined authority for Norfolk and Suffolk. The website sets out background information on the devolution process, governance arrangements, and the next steps towards formal implementation.

As the MCCA develops, additional information will be added, including updates on key milestones, details of the proposed functions and responsibilities, and opportunities for councils to stay informed.

Councils are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the site and check back regularly for updates and supporting materials.

Click here to visit the website.

Apply now National Landscape Community Grants 2026-27

Please share these grant opportunities via your community networks.

Grants across Suffolk & Essex...

Community Grants Dedham Vale National Landscape & Stour Valley



dedhamvale-nl.org.uk/managing/grants/

Fund Name	Apply for £	Apply by
Sustainable Development Fund – Dedham Vale National Landscape	£6,000	3 rd February 2026
Stour Valley Environment Fund	£2,500	Rolling applications

Community Grants Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape



coastandheaths-nl.org.uk/managing/grants/

Fund Name	Apply for £	Apply by
Sustainable Development Fund – Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape	£6,000	3 rd February 2026
Galloper Wind Farm Fund	£3,000	9 th June 2026
Amenity and Accessibility Fund	£3,000	9 th June 2026

Updates for 2026-27

For all grants

- The Application Form has been simplified
- There is a new Budget Form for all applicants to complete - feedback is encouraged - so please let me know if guidance is needed, if any difficulties are encountered or if you need the form in a different format.

Community and Conservation Fund – is now part of the Sustainable Development Fund

- We still welcome small grant applications to all of the community funds
- For small grant applications up to £1,000 the Sustainable Development Fund has a simplified Budget Form

Sustainable Development Fund (SDF)

- For small SDF grant applications up to £1,000 there is a simplified budget form. Complete Budget Form 1
- For larger SDF grant applications over £1,000 extra detail is needed for the project budget. Complete Budget Form 2

Other National Landscape Funding opportunities

Natural Environment Improvement Fund – Apply now!

A £10 million fund to mitigate residual landscape and visual impacts of the Sizewell C Project, contribute to the conservation and enhancement of landscape character, enhance biodiversity, and improve habitat connectivity and resilience in the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape and its setting.

For more - follow the below link:

Natural Environment Improvement Fund – Apply now!

 Farming in Protected Landscapes funding - enquire now Alex.Dinsdale@suffolkandessex-nl.org.uk

The Farming in Protected Landscapes programme is open to all farmers and land managers (including from the private, public and charity sector) in the Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape – or where activity on the ground can bring benefit to the National Landscape.

For more - follow the below links:

- Dedham Vale National Landscape
- Suffolk & Essex Coast & Heaths National Landscape

Dear all,

Today the government launched its <u>consultation</u> on local government reorganisation (LGR) in Suffolk. This will run for seven weeks until 11th January.

LGR presents the biggest change to local government in Suffolk for over 50 years – and the consultation gives stakeholders and residents the chance to have their say.

Suffolk community leaders from sectors including health, social care, business, agriculture and tourism, have all backed the One Suffolk plan for a single unitary council to deliver all county-wide and local services. Watch this video to hear directly from some of our advocates: Voices of One Suffolk

One Suffolk would create key benefits, including:

- Empowering communities by offering powers and funding to town and parish councils where these councils express a desire for additional responsibilities. Creating a new town council for Ipswich to enhance democratic representation.
- A new deal for market towns, including Ipswich, backed by a £40 million capital investment fund, and a review of car parking charges and markets conducted in consultation with traders, businesses and representative bodies.
- Building a strong, flourishing, and resilient local economy that serves all residents, businesses, and communities.
- A stronger voice for Suffolk through effective collaboration with the new mayor, focusing on clear investment priorities that maximise benefits.

The alternative proposal, from Suffolk's district and borough councils, would see Suffolk split into three arbitrary council areas, putting key services such as social care at serious risk and costing millions to set up.

Their plan does not address the enormous costs associated with splitting up these critical services, and poses clear risks to the most vulnerable people in Suffolk. Not only would three councils cost significantly more than a single unitary for Suffolk - it would also cost more than the current two-tier system.

What happens next?

We are confident that One Suffolk is the right approach for Suffolk and will deliver greater support and influence for town and parish councils – and we have been contacted by a number of you who share this view.

It is vital that government hears directly from you – so please do engage with the consultation and have your say in this momentous decision for Suffolk. You can take part here: Consultation on Proposals for Local Government Reorganisation in Norfolk and Suffolk - Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government - Citizen Space

Thank you once again for your engagement and for the constructive way you have helped to shape this important work. If you would like to be involved in our One Suffolk proposal, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr Matthew Hicks, Leader of Suffolk County Council **Nicola Beach**, Chief Executive of Suffolk County Council



Hadleigh Locality

Meeting Minutes: 24th September 2025, Stoke By Nayland

Trott Ward addressed the meeting outlining that the format was for all Parishes and parishioners to attend the forum, this was our chance to bring forward any issues in your local areas, which can then be brought and discussed with the Local SNT team, and taken forward for action.

A question being asked, who can attend, parish councillors, parish clerks, anyone who the parish council wish to send on their behalf, and parishioners, yes the doors are open to all, make use of your quarterly meeting with your local police force, in fact, nearly every meeting someone brings forward information or has their chance to talk to the police, one to one.

Present

Trott Ward, (Brantham) Chairman Adrian Rust (Secretary) Bill Davies, Stratford St Mary PC Niall Johnson Inspector Naomi Lofthouse, Hadleigh and Nayland

Apologies Cliff Daldy, Bentley Stuart Hopwood, Brantham Gordon Watkins, Flowton Shaun Fry, Stoke By Nayaland

Attendance 14

Matters arising from Minutes, None

Trott addressed the meeting to mention the passing of David Busby, local councilor and a very good friend of the forum, David always supported his local parishers where possible, a sad loss.

Trott welcomed Inspector Naomi Lofthouse to the meeting

Report from Inspector Naomi Lofthouse

Hadleigh Nayland Area, Last 3 Months

Anti social behaviour, damage to front doors Vehicles damaged, Capel and Nayland, antisocial behaviour



Burglary, slight rise, 5 dwellings, 1 empty dwelling, Time of year, please lock your doors, etc and make sure any lights outside work.

Aldham, window smashed, silverware stolen

Sheds broken into, power tools stolen.

Hadleigh 1 stop search, drugs found

6 offensive weapons, weapon threat in private place

Anti social behaviour, road rage etc

Theft from shops down following a lot of work where problems were found

4 thefts of vehicles, Toyota Hilux and Lexus, out of area group coming in

offence against a person, GBH, low numbers

Anti social behavour numbers are low

stop serarches, 2 positive results

Claydon / Copdock Area

Criminal damage and anti social behaviour, low numbers

Burglary

flat broken into, shed break ins

Great Blakenham warrant negative, Canabis and cash

Package intercepted, property searched and weapon found, Bramford.

Gbh, know to each other

No Robberys of persons

Sexual offences, low numbers and know persons

Theft from shop, large decrease, couple of offen[nders have been locked up

Couple of trailer thefts, please lock

Vehicle offences, hi lux lexus etc

Offences against a person, low

Off road motor cycles, Brantham, Tattingstone, 5 Notices issued, section 59 notice issued, I seized bike, 2 arrests stop searches, 50% positive outcomes

Simon Page, Tattingstone Parish Council

Farms in tattingstone area had off road bikers riding through their crops, footpath and bridleway.

Work put in by the police and an infrared drone helped track offenders, the issue has gone away at present but thanked the police for their help

Jeremy Bloomfield, Nayland, Recreation Ground

huge rise in the stupidity of adults, dog off lead, people hurt, dog hurt, people take their dog into the play area and just hearl abuse at people when questioned, what can the police do.

Niall Johnson, Dangerous dog incident, should be reported, if things persist then there can be conditions put on the owner of the dog.

Any evidence, video, photos, allowed to take photos video if its for witnesssing an incident

Web site reporting or live chat to report issue

Lyn Matthews, East Bergholt

If the person does any retubution then it needs reporting and becomes an harrasement issue, report it

Dog fouling is a council issue

Rosemary Gravell, Chelmodiston

Motorbikes speeding through village and Tattingstone

Collect and report times /days if frequent and when possible police may attend and speed check.

Lynn Matthews East Bergholt

A1070 accident Brantham 4 such accidents in a year, 1 fatal, increase in properties and traffic to area, highways attended in July but too much development in the area.

Robin Coates, Wherstead Parish Council

Go onto crash map and you check out crash data history for your area, Crashmap.co.uk

Andrea Mendel, Tattingstone Parish Council.

Devepoments in the are means there are more people but are there any more police.

Numbers have increased but still not enough Police.

When we have violent crime resources get sucked into an area and other areas suffer sometimes.

Trott Ward Thanked Stoke By Nayland Parish Council for The meeting Venue

Next Meeting 3rd December 2025

The Congregational Church

Cemetery Lane East Bergholt CO7 6RZ

7.30pm Start, All Welcome,

Future Meetings Venues To Be Confirmed

Report something– 999 in an emergency, call 101 to speak to the contact centre (non-urgent matters) or report online at https://www.suffolk.police.uk

Chat-bot also available on the new website, live chat

Community Engagement Officer CEOipwesthadleigh@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

please can parishioners be reminded that crimes and intelligence should not be reported via email, they must be reported via one of the options listed above

Twitter Facebook

@IpswichPolice, https://www.facebook.com/HadleighPolice/
@hadleighpolice, https://www.facebook.com/suffolkpolice/

Dear all

Consultation on proposals for local government reorganisation in Suffolk now open

The Government has now taken an important step forward shaping the future of local government in Suffolk. Following the announcement last week, a public consultation has now been launched on proposals for local government reorganisation - an initiative that could significantly transform how services are delivered across our communities.

Why is this happening?

This consultation stems from the Government's White Paper "Power and Partnerships: Foundations for Growth" which sets out a vision for stronger, more efficient local governance.

In September 2025, two detailed proposals were submitted outlining potential models for unitary local government in Suffolk. They aimed to simplify structures, reduce duplication and create a system that is better equipped to meet the needs of residents and businesses.

What does the consultation involve?

Before any proposals can be implemented, the Government is seeking views from residents, businesses and stakeholders. This consultation will assess the merits of the submitted proposals against key criteria including improved service delivery, value for money, local identity and accountability.

All responses will be considered alongside representations and other relevant information before a final decision is made.

We have updated our information page to help your council recap on what has been happening over the last 11 months.

https://salc.org.uk/information-page-devolution#scrollTop=0

Why your voice matters

Local government decisions affect everything from housing and transport to education and social care. This is your opportunity to influence how these services are structured and delivered in the future. Every response will help shape the assessment process and inform the Government's judgment on which proposals - if any - should be implemented.

SALC super-forum - 2nd December online

We now have over 70 delegates booked onto our devolution superforum, which we hope will be a lively and informative session that aims to unpack:

What devolution really means and how it differs from local government reorganisation.

The current timetable and next steps.

The ambitions behind the forthcoming draft Devolution Bill.

Suffolk County Council officers will be sharing what is being devolved, outline transition plans and an update on the 2026 County Council elections and pre-election period.

We asked in advance for questions ahead of the session and the deadline has now passed. Thank you to those who have contributed.

If you haven't already booked we encourage you to do so. The event will be held on the MS Teams Platform and we will be using breakout rooms to split delegates up into district-based area forums to allow for group discussions.

BOOKING PAGE - you will need to log into your portal account to register or ask your clerk to do so. Any queries contact the SALC team who will be pleased to help - admin@suffolk-alc.gov.uk

Sally Longmate

CEO Suffolk Association of Local Councils



Weekly news e-bulletin

week commencing 24th November 2025

Local Government Re-organisation and Devolution

Following our mailing earlier today, please note a public consultation has now been launched on proposals for local government reorganisation - an initiative that could significantly transform how services are delivered across our communities.

The consultation closes on 11th January 2026.

Please click here to view the consultation and share your views.

All information regarding LGR and Devolution can be found here on our dedicated webpage.

NALC proportion of the subscription fee for 2026/27

Following the email sent to all members on 23rd October informing you that the SALC subscription fee will be increased by 3% for 2026-2027, we can now confirm that the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) proportion of the subscription fee will include an increase of 3.6%.

Internal Audit Trends 2025

As we approach the end of another audit cycle, the findings from SALC's 2025 internal audits provide a clear picture of how local councils across Suffolk are performing.

Click here to view our blog post.

SALC will be arranging the 'Preparing for Audit' drop in sessions for early 2026 - details to follow.

NALC and the British Toilets Association (BTA) National Survey

NALC and the British Toilets Association (BTA) have today launched a national survey for parish and town councils to provide views and updates on public conveniences they currently manage or are likely to manage in future, to coincide with World Toilet Day 2025.

NALC and the British Toilets Association would like to get as firm a handle as possible on general trends on public conveniences (financial/operational/asset and liability transfer) currently managed by parish and town councils, and, separately, likely to be transferred to parish and town councils as a consequence of local government re-organisation – in the context of there being no single database where this data currently resides.

Please complete the short snapshot survey on public conveniences your council owns or manages by latest **23:45 on 14 January 2026** (the survey will take around 5 minutes to complete).

Click here to complete the survey.

Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association

The Neighbourhood Watch team have produced a winter crime prevention poster.

Click here to view it.

Suffolk Highways Forum - Winter Maintenance

Following the Suffolk Highways Forum last week, we're pleased to share the latest recording on the Winter Maintenance Programme.

Click here to view the recording.

Sustainable Suffolk - Keep The Heat & Loft Offer

Sustainable Suffolk have asked us to share information on 2 schemes currently running.

The first is Keep the Heat, the thermal imaging project, which is a free opportunity for parish/town councils to help their residents make their homes warmer.

Secondly, they have a Loft Insulation Offer which is a discount that applies to all Suffolk residents.

Click here to find out more about Keep The Heat.

Click here to find out more about the Loft Insulation Offer.

National Landscape Community Grants 26/27

Various grant opportunities are available across Suffolk and Essex.

Click here to find out more.

REMINDER - SAPPP and CIPFA launch consultation on proper practices for smaller authorities

The Smaller Authorities Proper Practices Panel (SAPPP) and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA), with the support of the Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA) and the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, have launched a new joint consultation to gather views on the proper practices that guide how smaller authorities are governed and manage their finances.

Consultation has now launched and closes on 2nd January 2026.

Click here to find out more and complete the form.

NALC website!



To receive NALC information you will now have to create your own log in to their website.

Click on this link to view our blog post for more information.





Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects Bulletin - NOVEMBER 2025

Access issue of the newsletter using this link

Suffolk already has a high number of nationally significant infrastructure projects (often referred to as NSIPs) and it is anticipated there are many more coming down the line.

Community representation is at the heart of what local councils do and it is essential that through town and parish councils local voices are heard. The NSIP process is complicated, lengthy and impacts on both officer and councillor time.

We have set up a dedicated page on our website to present links and information designed to help guide parish and town councils and parish meetings find out more about the county-wide picture and guidance to help them engage.

Please click here to view this page.

As promised, where we are notified about updates and deadlines for parishes we said we would contact those affected direct with any further guidance and information we are gathering from past experience.

SEA LINK is now at examination stage and SALC is registered as an interested party so watched the preliminary meeting and the subsequent issue specific and open floor hearings. We also receive updates and looking at written representations to help aid out learning and sharing of approach for future projects. Working with the Town and Country Planning Association we held workshops to assist parishes on preparing for the examination stage.

NORWICH TO TILBURY opportunity to register as an interested party closes on 27th September. We have held two workshops on how and why to register as an interested party and also been

commissioned again to run workshops on preparing for examination stage in January. The dates are (which cover Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex). Please put one of these in your diary - details of how to book direct with TCPA to follow.

Monday 12 January – 17:00-18:00

Wednesday 14 January – 17:00-18:00 Tuesday 20 January – 17:00-18:00 Wednesday 21 January – 13:00-14:00

We are looking to re-vamp our dedicated page and the merits of individual project-based pages. We are also starting the recruitment of a dedicated officer at SALC to help support parishes engage with future NSIPs having secured funding for this important new post. The timetable is to have someone in the SALC team by end of Feb/March 2026.

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PAYMENTS AGREED/RATIFIED AT THE MEETING HELD ON 3rd November 2025

PAYMENTS MADE

Payee	Detail	Method	NETT	VAT	TOTAL
R. Belcher- Nairn	Clerk salary Oct 2025	BACs	556.77		556.77
R. Belcher- Nairn	MS365 Subscription (paid by personal card due to debit card being cancelled)	BACs	8.51	1.70	10.21
R. Belcher- Nairn	Postage for playing field docs	BACs	4.95		4.95
NEST	RBN Pension Contribution	Direct Debit	48.92		48.92
Tesco Mobile	Phone	Direct Debit			15.99
CAS	Email accounts	BACs	240.00		240.00
CAS	Web hosting	BACs	55.00	11.00	66.08
Tattler magazine	Grant	BACs	500.00		500.00
Tattingstone Church	Lights donation	BACs	10.00		10.00
Lloyds bank	Service charge	DD	4.25		4.25
					£1457.17
Lloyds Savings Acc	Transfer	BACs	5000.00		£5000.00

PAYMENTS TO BE MADE

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NEST	RBN Pension Contribution	Direct Debit	20.97		20.97
Tesco Mobile	Phone	Direct Debit	15.99		15.99
Parish Online	Mapping	BACs	54.00	10.80	64.80
					£668.74

Countersigned by......Chair of Parish Council

All payments authorised under The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012

Note: Council resolved at the 2023 Annual Meeting that it met the eligibility conditions, and this continues right through until the next relevant annual meeting which will be May 2027. This is regardless of whether the Council continues to meet those conditions for the duration, (para 7.12 of the Explanatory Memorandum to The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 refers

TPC ANNUAL BUDGET 2026-27

DATE OF ADOPTION: xx MINUTE NO. xx

CATEGORY INCOME	BUDGET 2023-24	BUDGET 2024-25 (+5%)	BUDGET 2025-26 +5%	ACTUAL 2025-26	Variance	BUDGET 2026-27
Precept	15,500	16,196.00	17,005.80	17,005.80	0.00	18,040.52
Bank Interest	5.00	50.00	50.00	275.00	225.00	250.00
Allotments		100.00	100.00	135.00	35.00	135.00
CIL	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	-500.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	16,005.00	16,846.00	17,655.80	17,415.80	-240.00	18,425.52
EXPENDITURE						
Salaries						
Clerk/RFO	4,200.00	6,000.00	8,400.00	8,141.88	-258.12	8,141.88
Clerk's expenses	220.00	220.00	108.00	312.00	204.00	312.00
HMRC		1,500.00	505.00	730.00	225.00	800.00
Payroll costs	110.00			128.00	8.00	130.00
Staff pension	110.00	. 120.00		453.80	453.80	680.64
TOTAL	4,530.00	7,840.00	9,133.00	9,765.68	632.68	10,064.52
Administration						
Audit	350.00	500.00	525.00	544.00	19.00	600.00
Hall Hire	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
Insurance	550.00	560.00	588.00	639.22	51.22	675.00
Website/Email	100.00	300.00	315.00	306.00	-9.00	320.00
Training	200.00	200.00	300.00	127.65	-172.35	300.00
GDPR costs	40.00	40.00	40.00	42.04	2.04	45.00
Office purchases	10.00	700.00	100.00	50.00	-50.00	50.00
Stationery		100.00	105.00	50.00	-55.00	50.00
Postage		20.00	21.00	0.00	-21.00	10.00
Staff recruitment		200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accounting software		250.00	250.00	228.00	-22.00	228.00
Election costs	1,000.00	200.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
TOTAL	2,490.00	3,320.00	2,744.00	2,486.91	-257.09	2,778.00
Colorado de Constante De California						
Subscriptions/Grants, Donations			222 ==		40.50	
SALC Subscription	237.00	275.00	288.75	278.23	-10.52	300.00
SLCC Subscription	100.00	130.00	136.50	112.80	-23.70	140.00
Donations/Project support	800.00	800.00	800.00	1,150.00	350.00	650.00
Church support	800.00	800.00	840.00	800.00	-40.00	800.00
Tattler support	400.00	0.005.00	0.005.05	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	2,337.00	2,005.00	2,065.25	2,841.03	775.78	2,390.00
<u>Services</u>						
BDC Litter bin emptying	350.00	435.00	456.75	498.00	41.25	498.00
Litter purchases	300.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	
Playground Inspection	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	-100.00	65.00
General Village Maintenance	200.00	500.00	525.00	1500 *	975.00	600.00
Play areas grass cutting	2,000.00	1,600.00	1,680.00	1,680.00	0.00	1,680.00
SCC Street Light contract Maintenar	550.00	550.00	550.00	273.20	-276.80	350.00
TOTAL	3,500.00	3,185.00	3,311.75	2,451.20	-733.80	3,193.00
Other items						
Purchases/Assets	548.00		735.04	0.00	-735.04	
Miscellaneous	2,600.00	396.00	415.80	2,281.50	1,865.70	
Allotments	,	100.00			-105.00	
TOTAL	3,148.00	496.00	1,255.84	2,281.50	1,785.50	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	16,005.00	16,846.00	17,774.80			18,425.52
		20,040.00				20, 120.32

*Does not include CILCA cost	S
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COUNCIL TAX BASE FIGURE	2026-27
COUNCIL TAX BASE	249.32
BAND D COUNCIL TAX	77.03

Council tax base Calculations	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Council tax base	240.55	253.21	249.32
Amount per person	67.97	70.70	77.03
CTB change (%)		3.86	8.22
TPC Precept Request	16,196.00	17,006.00	18,040.52
TPC Precept Increase %		4.76	5.73

^{*}Have been notified of increase

^{*}Have been notified of a 3% increase

^{*}To include village sign & infographic

Click in cell A2 below then use dropdown arrow to select parish

Tattingstone	:	2025/26	2026/27	
		<u>FIXED</u> Actual	Illustrative	
Based on Precept requirement				
Council tax base	Α	253.21	249.32	
*Total Precept (Note 1)	В	£17,006	£18,041	Type in precept requirement for 2026/27
Band D Council Tax (B/A) =	С	£67.16	£72.36 % Increase =	7.74% This is what is shown on the council tax bill

Based on Council Tax % Increase					
Council tax base	Α	253.21	249.32		
*Total Precept (Note 1)	В	£17,006	£18,041		
Band D Council Tax (B/A) =	С	£67.16	£72.36		
Council Tax increase for 2025/26 in %			7.74%	Type in Council Tax % increase	

Notes

¹ The total amount which is collected from Council Taxpayers for the Parish

^{*} These amounts will change whenever the tax base changes

Planning & Building Control



Sarah Keys Tattingstone Parish Council 34 Sycamore Way Brantham Suffolk CO11 1TL Please ask for : Jasmine Whyard
Telephone : 0300 123 4000 opt 5 then 3

Our reference : DC/23/05656

E-mail: planningpink@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

12th November 2025

Dear Sarah Keys

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 APPEAL UNDER SECTION 78

Appeal Reference: APP/D3505/W/25/3370515

Appeal by: Green Switch Capital Ltd

Proposal: Full Planning Application - Construction of a solar farm (up to 40MW export

capacity) with ancillary infrastructure and cabling, DNO substation, customer

substation and construction of new and altered vehicular accesses.

Location: Land At Grove Farm And Land East Of The Railway Line, Bentley, , ,

I am writing to confirm that the Public Inquiry into the above appeal will start at 10:00 am on 20 January 2026 at Orwell Room , Wherstead Park , The Street , Wherstead Ipswich IP9 2BJ

Please note that in the intervening period between the Council's decision and this appeal, the Council have designated a Conservation Area in Bentley.

An Inspector has been appointed by the secretary of state to determine the appeal(s). The Inspector will be Zoë Hill BA (Hons) MRTPI DipBLDGCON. You may attend the Public Inquiry and at the Inspectors discretion, give your views.

This event is scheduled as an in-person, face to face event, there is no option to join remotely at present. However, in the event that the inquiry needs to be changed at short notice to online and virtual, please register your interest at least 2 weeks prior to the Public Inquiry date, by sending your email address to us at planning@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk.

A copy of the decision letter will only be sent to those who request one in writing from Kerr Brown
The Planning Inspectorate
Temple Quay House
2 The Square
Bristol
BS1 6PN,



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quoting the appeal references. The appeal decision will be published on the planning case on our website and on the Planning Inspectorate website www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate

Full details of the original application, all appeal documentation (including Inspector details) and future comments can be viewed on our website https://planning.baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/ and search DC/23/05656

Any new information will be uploaded on the link above within two working days of receipt.

The venue for the appeal is fully accessible to people with disabilities.

Yours sincerely

Philip Isbell Acting Director of Planning

