



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28TH JULY 2026 AT 19.00 AT JEPHSON HALL

1. **Present**

Cllr N Dyble - Chair, Cllr S Dolby, Cllr T Roberts, Cllr A Sylvester,
Cllr B White, Cllr R Dyble and Cllr G Coates
Cllr J Kirk NCC
8 members of the public
G Robinson – Clerk & RFO

2. **To reflect on the sad passing of Cllr Graham Roberts**

Cllr N Dyble noted that he had offered the Parish Council condolences to Cllr Graham Robert's wife and that the Councillors were greatly saddened and shocked by his passing. Details of the funeral were shared. It was felt that Cllr Roberts was on the council for about 5 years.

Bus shelter benches are going to be picked up from Cllr Robert's home.

3. **Welcome**

Open Session for Parishioners Questions (3 minutes

allowed per speaker, up to a maximum of 15 minutes in total

- Bus shelter near the school – a member of the public would like a small window so people can stay safe under the bus shelter, while still being able to see if a bus is coming. Another suggestion was to have a mirror at the bus stop to help see buses coming while seated at the bus stop. It was agreed this could be considered.
- A parishioner offered to help with installing the bus shelter benches.

4. **To consider apologies for absence**

None

5. **To record Councillors' declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

6. **To approve the meeting minutes from the Annual Parish Council meeting held on the 26th of May 2026.**

It was proposed by Cllr N Dyble that the minutes of the 26th of May 2026 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the last meeting. This was seconded by Cllr R Dyble and all agreed.

7. **To consider matters arising from the last meeting:**

- a. Speed watch – Cllr White noted that training is on hold at the moment by the Speed watch central police team. But the village is now third in line to be trained up. Signage and appropriate clothes are supplied when trained. A parishioner asked if more speed checks could be undertaken while we are waiting for the training.

A parishioner noted that there had been concerns about the limited number of signs for the A17 work. The contractors have been told to supply more signs.

- b. Memorial names update

Six people have been identified for this parish. During the first world war the parish was part of Walpole st Andrew. It has been hard to trace the exact address of parishioners. More people are being identified to make sure that everyone is included and those that actually lived in a different village are not included. Cllr R Dyble asked if she could research the types of plaques available. It was agreed this would be a good idea.

- c. Installation of bus shelter seats

Cllr N Dyble will pick these up ready for installation.

- d. Replacement millennium garden information board

Cllr N Dyble noted that the posts for the replacement millennium garden information board are also at Cllr G Roberts home, so he will be picking them up too.

- e. Painting of the milestone

Cllr A Sylvester would like to paint the milestone, and it was agreed that she would do this work. It was noted that the milestone is now up right and in the correct position.

8. **To receive Chairman (inc. SAM & NDP updates) and Clerks Reports**

Cllr N Dyble reported that the Neighbourhood Plan has now been approved by the assessor and it will go to referendum in September. There won't be a charge for the referendum. Cllrs discussed posting a leaflet to all households to encourage people to vote. A parishioner felt that it is a lengthy document and asked if it could be summarised in some way to capture the main points. Councillors and the public discussed the Neighbourhood Plan in general and the process that has been undertaken to get it formed which has been both lengthy and detailed.

Cllr N Dyble noted that the data has been collected from the SAM2 near the school and read them out. Looking at average speeds in each group. 39% were over the speed limit. The fastest traffic is between 6.00am and 7.00am each morning. Cllr White has spoken to a farm owner to see if signage could be put on his property. A parishioner noted that the speed limit before

the village is 60mph. It would be better to have a staggered speed limit change. Cllr R Dyble noted the matters that prohibit the possibility of getting the lowering of speed. Parishioners and Councillors would like to have James Wild MP attend the meeting and get his support to change the limit. Cllr N Dyble noted that he had spoken to A Wallace, the local highway engineer and the 'round alls' to be painted on the road have been ordered and will happen. Clerk to get details, including cost of 20mph school flashing signs. Cllr N Dyble noted that he has spoken to the school staff and they are happy for signs to be put up outside the school. Cllr N Dyble showed examples of the proposed signs. Parishioners and councillors discussed bad parking outside the school. It was noted that because the signs would be placed on private land they can be put up. A parishioner asked why a nearby village has more things (speed restrictions) along their road near the school and why that is not the case here. It was noted that signage needs to be in place ready for when diversions are taking place off the A17. Parishioner noted that lorry and bus companies need to be reported when their vehicles speed. A parishioner asked if school signs be activated to slow traffic at all times, but that would not be possible. Cllr N Dyble proposed that the two speed signs are purchased at a cost of £40 each. This was seconded by Cllr Roberts and all agreed.

It was noted that a 'No turning' sign is needed at 'New Holland'. Cllr N Dyble will contact A Wallace to follow up on this.

Low Road sign is going to be replaced; parishioner has reported this.

9. **To receive County and Borough Councillor's Reports – Cllr J Kirks reports are on the website (June & July) August one is on the website.**
Cllr Kirk noted that the local members fund has been taken away. He would like £1,000 to still be pledged and will see if this can be kept to.
County lines is the biggest problem for the county at the moment and therefore the highest cost. New police and crime commissioner and he has good plans.
Borough councillors have a bit more grant for Parish Councils this year at £5,000. Cllr Roberts agreed to contact Cllr Squire for some money. Cllr Kirk noted that he is very busy at various events in the county.

10. **Finance:**

- a. Approve bank statements/reconciliation and payments/receipts for May and June 2026

Bank reconciliation 31st May

301 Current	£22,239.78
408	£9,260.72
411 Cil	£10,811.49

Bank reconciliation 30 th June	
301 Current	£5,795.94
408	£24,328.98
411 Cil	£10,864.05

- b. Approve payments made since the last meeting and for payments for consideration

June

Mowing Man	£70.00
BCKLWN, dog bin	£163.99
Bank charge	£7.00

Approve payments for consideration

Mowing Man - July	£70.00
BCKLWN, dog bin -	£163.99
Bank charge - July	£7.00
G Robinson Wage/WFHA M3	£305.40
G Robinson Wage/WFHA M4	£305.60
HMRC M3	£70.00
HMRC M4	£69.80
NorfolkALC	£86.88
SSE to 31/5/26	£17.72

- c. To note income received
None.

- d. To consider net position

The Clerk reported that no cost codes were over the budget.

Cllr White proposed to approve the above financial figures. This was seconded by Cllr Roberts and all agreed.

11. **Planning Matters –**

To consider PC consultation comments on all new planning applications & decisions received before the meeting, as attached and any others received after the agenda has been issued:

- a. Applications –

- 26/01011/F Variation of Condition 2 attached to 25/01632/F: Proposed single storey front/side extensions and garage conversion to create a residential annexe, garden room and entrance lobby. Bonnetts Farm 75 Station Road Walpole Cross Keys King's Lynn PE34 4HB – Deadline 13.7.26
It was resolved to give respond with no observations.

- b. Decisions –

- 26/00651/F Proposed extensions to existing spa to create a swimming pool, squash court, plant room and swimming pool changing rooms. Samuels Family Farm Shop and Butchers, Market Lane, Walpole St Andrew, PE14 7LT – Application permitted 9/7/26.
It was noted for the benefit of those present, that the

greenhouses development was not supported. And this has been refused by the planning department. The Parish Council will keep an eye on this.

c. Withdrawn –

- 23.6.26, proposed detached stables, menage and paddocks at Barn SE of Pochester Market Lane, Bustards Lane, Walpole St Andrew

12. **Correspondence/Communications – including received after agenda issue date:**

The letter received at the end of the last meeting was responded to and was out of the remit of the Parish Council. The main issue raised was dogs in the village.

13. **To discuss Highways, Crime, Environmental and Gardens**

This was considered in an earlier part of the meeting. A parishioner felt that verges and footpaths are getting overgrown.

14. **To receive Representative reports**

Cllr Coates reported that the meeting was cancelled again.

15. **To receive items for next meeting agenda**

None.

16. **To consider holding monthly Parish Council meetings**

After a discussion about the content of meetings and the need for a few more, Cllr White proposed that meetings should be held on the fourth Tuesday of the following months: January, March, April, May, July, Sept, Oct and November, with an optional meeting in June if it was felt necessary in the months leading up to June.

It was agreed that no meeting was necessary for the months of February, August and December.

This was seconded by Cllr Roberts and all agreed.

17. **To note the date of the next meeting, Tuesday 22nd of September 2026 at the Jephson Hall, starting at 7.00pm**

Details of the next meeting were noted by those present.