



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held on Tuesday 18th November 2025 at 7.00pm in West Row Outdoor Bowls Club, Beeches Road, West Row IP28 8NY

Present: Cllr A Fisher, Cllr R Hamill, Cllr M Connery, Cllr A Goodenough, Cllr S Knight, Cllr L Baker and Cllr T Gooch-Taylor-Balls.

Also in attendance: Sharon Vale, Parish Clerk, D/Cllr Don Waldron, Squadron Leader Owen Crosby and 5 MOP's

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

470	<u>Apologies and acceptance for absence</u> Received and accepted by Cllr M Peachey and Cllr J Goodenough	
471	<u>To receive member's declaration of interest and dispensations relating to items on this agenda.</u> None.	
472	<u>To resolve that the minutes of the meeting of the council held on Wednesday 15th October 2025 are a true and correct record.</u> It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting on Wednesday 15 th October 2025 were a true and correct record. The minutes were signed by the Vice Chair.	
473	<u>Public Participation session to include District, County Councillors, RAF Mildenhall and Police reports, plus representation from electors of the Parish.</u> a. County Councillor Colin Noble – Suffolk County Council. Report submitted for October and distributed to Councillors. b. District Councillor Don Waldron – West Suffolk Council. D/Cllr Don Waldron kindly offered the parish a grant for the Easter Egg hunt. c. Squadron Leader Owen Crosby – RAF Mildenhall. Report attached. d. PC Scott Cameron – Community Police Officer. No report at this time. The Clerk still submits the monthly SID data to PC Cameron. e. Two residents from Hurdle Drove attended the meeting to raise concerns regarding the planning application for Mayfield Farm. They highlighted issues including increased traffic, insufficient passing places, and potential noise impacts associated with the proposal. They noted that Hurdle Drove is a single-track road that they believe	

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	<p>is not suitable for the level or type of use proposed. The residents also expressed concern that the planned industrial units are intended for commercial rather than agricultural use, which they feel is inappropriate given the limitations of the surrounding road infrastructure. Clerk to liaise with the planning officer.</p> <p>f. Residents from Pott Hall Road attended the meeting to discuss the results of the recent road survey and requested a copy of the data. The Clerk will forward the information to them. Cllr A Fisher reported that D/Cllr Colin Noble had offered to fund 50% of the cost of installing dragon's teeth markings and additional 30 mph roundels, with the Parish Council covering the remaining costs. This work is scheduled to take place in the spring.</p>	Clerk
474	<p><u>Planning Matters</u></p> <p>a. Household planning application – single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing utility and wc). South View, Mildenhall Road, West Row. SUPPORT</p>	Clerk
475	<p><u>Matters Relating to Governance</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
476	<p><u>Financial Matters</u></p> <p>a. Approval and Authorisation of Payments for November 2025. It was unanimously Resolved to Accept the payments.</p> <p>b. Approval of October 2025 Bank Reconciliation was received.</p> <p>c. Approval of October 2025 Current/Deposit Account was received.</p> <p>d. Precept and Budget for 2026/2027. The budget will be finalised for the December meeting.</p> <p>e. Quotation for maintenance equipment.</p>	
477	<p><u>Matters Relating to Street Furniture/Amenity Provision</u></p> <p>a. Report on Speed Indicator Device Findings. SID stats remain consistent.</p> <p>b. Update on Footpath 30 (eroded riverbank) along the river at bottom of the Gravel. Ongoing.</p> <p>c. SCC Development – No update.</p> <p>d. Building site at the entrance to Pott Hall Road – Cllr A Fisher has spoken to WSC regarding the site and awaiting a response.</p> <p>e. New Cemetery – No update.</p> <p>f. Pott Hall Road – SCC speed survey has been completed. Close.</p> <p>g. Community Road Safety – Joining forces with Moulton Parish Council to challenge SCC about their current stance on road safety, speeding and traffic calming.</p>	
478	<p><u>Other Working Party Updates/Reports</u></p> <p>a. Update to the Echo/Parish Magazine. Distribution will be this week.</p> <p>b. Update on Neighbourhood Plan – No update.</p> <p>c. Warm Places Update. Expenses update. Christmas Lunch Friday 12th</p>	

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	December 2025. d. 100 Club Update.	
479	Allotment Matters Nothing to report.	
480	Events a. Christmas 2025. Tree decoration Tuesday 2 nd December 2025. Friday 5 th December 2025 tree lighting. Santa sleigh on Saturday 6 th and Sunday 7 th December 2025. It was decided and agreed that all monies received from the Christmas event would be donated to West Row Village Hall for the play park. b. Easter Egg Hunt - Monday 6 th April 2026. c. Flower/Vegetable Show 2026. The Clerk to check with the Village Hall to see if they are intending to hold a Village Fete in 2026, and whether we join forces for this event. Close. d. Parish Council Surgeries. Next surgery to take place on Saturday 18 th January 2026 from 10:00 to 11:00. Additional surgeries will be on every third Saturday of the month	
481	Chair and Councillors' reports/suggestion (on the night) Cllr L Baker proposed including a tear-out poster in the September/October issue of the Parish Echo. This poster will allow residents to display it in their window if they prefer not to receive trick-or-treat visitors during Halloween. Cllr A Goodenough reported that the village signpost on St Peter's Church Green is deteriorating at its base and requires attention. Clerk to contact Mark Garrard.	
482	Correspondence and exchange of additional information (at the discretion of the Chair)	
483	Date of the next meeting To confirm the date of the next meeting, Wednesday 17 th December 2025. Meeting closed at 21:15 hours.	

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