



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

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED INCLUDED AT APPENDIX B

PRESENT: Cllr R Abbott, Cllr D Clarke (arrived 19.34, during Item 2), Cllr D Hawes, Cllr J Lee, Cllr G Mark, Cllr A Mendel (Chair), Cllr S Page, and Cllr B Plumbly.

Also in attendance: County Councillor S. Harley and 6 members of the public (2 of whom arrived at 7.31pm, during Item 1).

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 Cllr Stennet 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 February 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 Mark - 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. Cllr Harley highlighted some areas of his report, with an update on the Government's devolution decision, a review of Suffolk Fire & Rescue Service and the news that Suffolk Libraries will be moving back to Suffolk County Council's control. There were no questions.
- (b) A written report had been circulated from Cllr Potter and a copy of his February report is available with the meeting papers.



***Items 6 & 7 were reversed to allow a member of the public to speak before having to leave the meeting**

07. PUBLIC FORUM

- (a) To receive questions and matters of concern from members of the public in attendance on items on the agenda submitted –
- A member of the public attended the meeting to advocate for a skate park project in Brantham. They hosted an event in September 2024, which was attended by approx. 300 people from the area and have received good local support, with some funding already in place from Brantham Parish Council. They are seeking funding from surrounding villages. Cllr Page asked for a timescale on the project, which was estimated to be construction in spring 2026 with opening in summer 2026.
- (b) To receive comments or questions relating to Tattingstone in particular –
- A resident informed the Council that they have submitted a complaint to the Council via their solicitor, handing out copies of the complaint to Councillors in attendance. The resident was reminded that their complaint had been acknowledged and the complaint would be discussed in a confidential item.
- (c) To receive questions and comments submitted in writing/email for future consideration by the Council – nothing raised

2 members of the public left the meeting.

06. CLERK'S REPORT

- (a) Actions were noted with the following questions:
- Cllr Page asked for an update on the hedge cutting. Another contractor has assessed the work and is due to provide a quote. They will be reminded to provide the quote.
 - Cllr Lee asked about the Lemons Hill light, which Cllr page updated is still not working. Cllr Page is to send County Councillor Harley both reference numbers from his reporting the light so Cllr Harley can progress the repair.
- (b) To note correspondence received in February 2025. All for information only.
- 1) BMSDC Briefing Notes
 - 2) BMSDC Spring Clean
 - 3) SALC Devolution Update
 - 4) Letter from Simon Harley re. Devolution
 - 5) SALC Devolution Update
 - 6) Email from Daniel potter re. Joint Local Plan
 - 7) Email about 12th Man (leaflet available if PC are interested in holding an event)
 - 8) SALC Devolution update
 - 9) SCC briefing note on Devolution
 - 10) Email from Simon Harley with link to Government's latest Devolution document
 - 11) Email from SCC re. SCC/0105/22B at Brockley Wood Land off A12 Belstead Suffolk IP8 3JS
 - 12) Email from SALC, NALC Award Winners



- (c) The Clerk asked Cllrs if they were aware of anyone local who could carry out repairs to the village sign. Cllr Plumbly had received a quote, which he offered to send as a reference. Cllr Lee suggested contacting surrounding Clerks to see if they had any recommendations.

08. FINANCE REPORT

- (a) To note the balance of accounts as at 25th February 2025.
The balances were as follows:
- Lloyds Account: £42037.94
 - Lloyds Savings Account: £5010.19
 - Barclays Current account: CLOSED
 - Barclays Deposit Account: CLOSED
- (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 Plumbly proposed and Cllr Mark 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 –
- The request from St Mary's Tattingstone PCC for £800 financial support towards the churchyard maintenance was discussed. The request was approved for payment from this year's grant fund.
Cllr Page proposed, seconded by Cllr Lee and aif

9. SAVINGS ACCOUNT

- (a) Councillors discussed the movement of funds to the savings account, with all in favour of doing so to capitalise on any interest earned.
- (b) The amount of £30,000 was agreed to be transferred.
Cllr Page proposed and Cllr Mendel seconded with all in favour

10. PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) To consider and agree a response to the following planning matters related to Tattingstone
DC/25/00690
Tattingstone Place, Park Lane, Tattingstone, Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2FP
Application for Listed Building Consent - Construction of lantern rooflight to existing flat roof and alterations to parapet coping of single storey front.
Cllr Hawes proposed supporting this application, with Cllr Lee seconding & aif.
- (b) To note the following decision notices received:
- DC/24/05017
West Maine The Heath Tattingstone Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LX
Full Planning Application - Erection of 2 No. detached one-and-a-half storey dwellings.
Planning permission was GRANTED
- DC/25/0009
Glenavon The Heath Tattingstone Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LX
Application for a Non Material Amendment relating to DC/22/03710 - Repositioning of bins and change to permeable tarmac
Amendment was GRANTED
- DC/24/05250
Vale Farm And Vineyard Stutton Lane Tattingstone IP9 2NZ



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Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a Proposed: Erection, Extension or Alteration of a building for Agricultural or Forestry Use. Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended Schedule 2, Part 6 - Erection of 1no agricultural building.
Prior approval is NOT REQUIRED

11. VILLAGE MATTERS

- (a) To receive an update from the Playing Field Representative
Cllr Page reported that the Playing Field Committee met on the 21st February 2025. The cricket club has cleared their storage to create extra space. The football club representatives asked for clarification of parking arrangements for matches, which was clarified as leaving both sides of Green Lane clear. Cllr Clarke asked about dedicating some of the field for match parking, which Cllr Page said he would relay to the committee.
- (b) To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan:
Cllr Mendel stated that the latest Consultation period had ended on the 28th February and responses were being collated.

12. INTERNAL AUDIT

- (a) Councillors noted the receipt of SALC's Terms of Engagement Letter.
- (b) Councillors agreed to appoint SALC as Internal Auditor for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, with Cllr Page proposing & Cllr Lee seconding and aif.

13. BRANTHAM SKATE PARK

- (a) Councillors discussed the skate park proposal, with the majority in support of the project. More information is to be gathered to allow Councillors to make an informed decision on financial support, including contacting the school and placing an article in the Tattler to gauge village support/potential use. The resident is to be asked to write an article for the Tattler explaining the project.
- (b) CIL funds are to be reviewed (Cllr Hawes checked the amount stated in meeting minutes from July 2024).

14. ANGLIAN WATER – ALTON WATER USER GROUP MEETING

- (a) Councillors noted the Annual User Group Meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th March at 1pm.
- (b) Cllr Page will attend the meeting and put forward the following:
 - Tattlingstone Parish Council are disappointed that Anglian Water have not acted on any previous issues brought up at the meetings.
 - Lemons Hill bridge needs cleaning & maintenance
 - Off-lead dogs are an issue
 - Fences and gates at the car parks are not maintained/monitored so access is often gained at inappropriate times.

15. DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- (a) Parish Council meeting – Monday 07 April 2025, 7.30pm



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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:

16. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

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

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

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

ACTIONS

MONTH	MINUTE NO.	ACTION	WHO
Mar	6(a)	Chase quote for hedge cutting	RBN
Mar	6(a)	Send Lemons Hill light reference numbers to Councillor Harley	SP
Mar	6(c)	Cllr Plumbly to send Clerk repair quote for village sign	BP
Mar	6(c)	Contact surrounding Clerks re. sign repair	RBN
Mar	8(c)	Notify Tattlingstone PCC their bid was successful & pay them £800	RBN/AM
Mar	9(b)	Transfer £30,000 from current to savings account	AM
Mar	10(a)	Respond to application DC/25/00690 on the planning portal	RBN
Mar	12(b)	Book Internal Audit	RBN
Mar	13(a)	Ask resident to write an article for the Tattler	RBN
Mar	13(b)	Get updated CIL balance	RBN
Mar	14(b)	Attend, and report back from, Alton Water User Group Meeting	SP



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
TPO	Tree Preservation Order
VAS	Vehicle Activated Sign
VCSE	Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Organisations
HMC	Village Hall Management Committee