

SPORLE WITH PALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the **Meeting of the Parish Council** held on Thursday 13th March 2025
held in the Community Centre, Sporle with Palgrave at 7.00pm.

In attendance: Cllrs Janis BEVAN (Chair), Maggie COUSINS, Helen DYE (part), Paul SMITH, Howard TAYLOR.

Clerk: Miss L Dawson

Members of the public: 1

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were accepted for Cllrs Calvin MCLEOD and Louise TAYLOR.

2. Declarations of interest.

None.

3. Minutes.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th February 2025 were APPROVED as a true and correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair, PROPOSED Cllr P Smith, seconded Cllr M Cousins.

4. Public Form.

- 4.1 William Nunn - County Councillor. Not in attendance.
- 4.2 Peter Wilkinson - District Councillor sent apologies and circulated the Breckland Devolution Consultation document and village asset list.
- 4.3 Members of the public. No comments.
- 4.4 Police matters. None reported.

5. Updates on previous Matters.

Reports on progress of items not on the agenda from the previous meetings and consider any further actions.

- 5.1 It was NOTED that awaiting response from Breckland for an update on the water leak on The Street.
- 5.2 It was NOTED that awaiting response from Breckland for an update on the maintenance of the stream, Clerk to contact Anglian Water contact regarding samples taken from the stream during the recent flooding.

6. Finance and Governance Matters.

- 6.1 The bank reconciliation was RECEIVED.
- 6.2 The payments at Annex A were APPROVED, PROPOSED Cllr P Smith, seconded Cllr H Dye.

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- 6.3 The budget to date 2024/2025, next meeting with final year accounts.
- 6.4 Current unity bank signatories were confirmed to be Helen Due, Janis Sheffield & Paul Smith. It was AGREED to add Cllr L Taylor as signatory and Clerk L Dawson as administrator and remove previous Clerk.
- 6.5 The SSE renewed streetlight electricity contract was RECEIVED.
- 6.6 It was NOTED that the updated streetlight inventory has been sent to UKMSO.
- 6.7 It was AGREED to accept the annual subscription to Norfolk ALC at £199.43 and National ALC at £73.06 Total £272.49.
- 6.8 The quote of £375.00 for NPTS annual subscription was received it was not approved.

7. Planning.

- 7.1 Consultee response to applications received from Breckland District Council:
 - 7.1.1 None received.
- 7.2 Notification of decisions taken by Breckland District Council:
 - 7.2.1 None received.
- 7.3 An update on the High Grove Solar Farms & The Drove Solar Farms proposed projects were received and correspondence from Local Groups that have contacted the Parish Council.
 - 7.3.1 It was NOTED that an invitation from the High Grove Opposition Group to attend a meeting in March 2025 has been received it was AGREED for Mike Bennett to attend as a representative of the Parish and member of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee, along with 2 councillors.
 - 7.3.2 It was NOTED that a contact from 'Environmental Impact Group', were invited to the meeting, and it was AGREED to invite to the next meeting.
 - 7.3.3 It was NOTED that CPRE have created a Solar Farm Alliance, correspondence circulated.

Cllr H Dye left the meeting 20:03

8. Village Matters.

- 8.1 An update on current Community Payback projects was received, it was AGREED for Clerk to order green and red hammerite paint, oil based.

9. Administrative Matters.

- 9.1 SAM2 update, awaiting report from volunteer with data.
- 9.2 Items for the next Village magazine, include new bus timetable.

10. Highways and Footpaths.

- 10.1 No reports or updates.

11. Dates of next meetings.

Parish Council meeting - Thursday 10th April 2025

Neighbourhood Development Plan Meeting & Drop-In – Friday 14th March 10:30am

Neighbourhood Plan Drop-In for Call for Sites Survey – Wednesday 19th March 2025 7pm

12. Matters for next agenda.

None.

Signed:

Dated:

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