

BADINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 6:00 pm, 20th January 2026

in Badingham Village Hall, Low Street, Badingham IP13 8JT

Members: Cllrs Lindesay, Cutress, Johnston, Welham. Also present: The clerk.

1. **Chair's Welcome:** The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for Absence:** No apologies were received by the chair.
3. **Co-Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests:** There were no interests declared and no requests for dispensations. Cllrs were reminded of their obligations under the new Code of Conduct.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting on 9th December were approved and signed by the chair.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes not covered elsewhere:** 20 mph speed limit - It was noted that research has not yet been possible. SCC has now voted on the introduction of a 20 mph speed limit across the county. **Action:** Cllr Lindesay to follow this up. Flooding at Mill Road was discussed, particularly where the track meets the lane. The owner feels this is where the problem lies. Local residents are stressed about the situation and have raised it with the PC. It was agreed that SCC should be asked to issue an order to the owner to sort out the ditch. **Action:** The Clerk to contact SCC to request them to issue an order to the person responsible to resolve the flooding.
6. **Public Forum:** No reports to note
7. **Report from County Councillor:** Previously circulated.
8. **Report from District Councillors and Leader of ESC:** Previously circulated.
9. **Governance and Statutory Business:** The following policies were unanimously approved (i) Standing Orders (ii) Financial regulations.
10. **Planning:**
 - a) DC/4926/FUL - No objection was raised to the planning application.
 - b) No planning determinations received. For information only.
 - c) No planning matters to consider.
11. **Accounts:**
 - a) Payments totalling £638.95 (previously circulated) were unanimously approved and signed by 2 Councillors. Payments totalling £1706.25 (previously circulated) for the VH were unanimously approved and signed by 2 councillors.
 - b) No receipts to note
 - c) The bank reconciliations as at 31st December (previously circulated) was approved and signed by the chair.
 - d) The 2026/27 precept and budget was approved. **Action:** Clerk to submit signed copy of the precept
 - e) It was confirmed to Cllr Cutress that she is now signed up for internet banking and will need to wait for Unity Trust Bank to contact her by post. The form to update the Clerk's email address was signed and will be submitted to Unity Trust Bank.
 - f) No current funding opportunities identified.
12. **Village Hall:** It was agreed to investigate acoustic panels, including potential grant funding and options suitable for playground use. Cllr Lindesay will continue to research on governance matters.
13. **Pocket Park: Verge Maintenance is ongoing with consideration for environmental awareness.** The committee noted that a third quote for playground equipment is awaited from Action Play. **Action:** Clerk to be follow up.
14. **Correspondence Received** The clerk confirmed all circulated as appropriate.
15. **Motion under the Public Bodies:** Nothing to note.

The meeting closed at 19:45

The next meeting is scheduled for 3rd March 2026

Caroline Byrne - Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to Badingham Parish Council

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So signed..... by the Chair at the meeting on.....