

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 6:15pm on 4th November 2025

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

Members: Cllrs Lindesay, Cutress, 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. **Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests:** No pecuniary interests were declared.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting on 30th September were approved and signed by the Chair.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes not covered elsewhere:** The Clerk read a response from Suffolk County Council, which advised that speeding concerns should be reported to the police or addressed through a Community Speed Watch (for 30 mph areas and below). A speed limit change may be considered if the required criteria are met and supported by the local Council, with any costs to be covered by the Parish Council and/or Councillor. The Clerk advised that she had provided Suffolk County Council with further information regarding the exact location of the proposed 20 mph limit and is awaiting their reply. The Council is keen to pursue this matter.
6. **Public Forum:** Nothing to report.
7. **Report from County Councillor:** Previously circulated.
8. **Report from District Councillors Grey and Langdon-Morris and ESC Leader's Monthly Bulletin:** Previously circulated.
9. **Governance and Statutory Business:** Nothing to report
10. **Planning:**
 - a) No planning matters to consider
 - b) No planning determinations received.
 - c) Any other Planning Matters for information: It was noted that the Council wishes to be kept updated on any developments regarding the Bellway housing application in Framlingham.
11. **Accounts:**
 - a) Payments totalling £1827.83 (previously circulated) were unanimously approved and signed by 2 Councillors. Payments totalling £4812.52 (previously circulated) for the VH were unanimously approved and signed by 2 councillors.
 - b) Receipts to note: £4414.87 CIL payment. £6975.00 – 2nd precept payment. Cllr Welham handed the clerk cheque from Eastern Power Networks for £1.15, which the clerk will bank.
 - c) The bank reconciliation as at 31st October (previously circulated) was approved and signed by the chair.
 - d) It was noted that the invoice to Parish Online of £60 was reviewed and confirmed. With the agreed discount of £31.68 applied, the payment due for the year is now £28.32.
 - e) It was noted that an additional donation to local First Aid/community responder groups is pending receipt of a response from them. If no reply is received, the Council will not proceed with the donation.
 - f) Online banking account management forms were signed to remove the previous Chair from the accounts. A separate form was also signed to update the registered email address to the official gov.uk address
 - g) No funding opportunities were discussed.
12. **Village Hall:** Clerk updated council that VH chair had confirmed the bench – being funded by the pc - was on order but had not arrived.
13. **Pocket Park and Open Green Spaces** Cllr Welham met with Fawns at the Pocket Park to discuss new play equipment with a possible location near the existing sign. A quote is being sought for a climbing frame, bench, and table. A zipwire quote will also be requested. Fawns do not supply plastic wood, so alternatives will be considered - Glasdon was mentioned as a supplier that does offer plastic wood. The ROSPA report showed no high-risk issues, but bark needs topping up and some fittings replaced; Cllr Welham will get these from Fram DIY. A zipwire quote will also be requested. The pond and sign area need clearing and a call for volunteers will be included in the Parish Magazine.
14. **Badingham Parish Council Mailboxes:** Cllr Welham has yet to set up the new mailbox but will endeavour to complete the setup as soon as possible.

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- 15. Review of Badingham Map Subscription & Proposal for Village Hall Display:** Cllrs confirmed they have successfully reset their new login details for Parish Online.
- 16. Correspondence received:** All items had been circulated in advance; no matters arising.
- 18. Motion under the Public Bodies:** The Clerk let councillors know about the NALC national salary award, which takes effect from 1st April and includes back pay from that date. The Council raised no objections.

The meeting closed at 19:30

The next meeting is scheduled for 9th December 2025 at 6:15pm

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