

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 6:15pm on 8th July 2025

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

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

1. **Chair's Welcome:** The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting in the absence of the Chair.
2. **Apologies for Absence:** No apologies were received by the Vice-Chair.
3. **Co-Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests:** Non-Pecuniary Interest was signed by Councillor Lindesay for Agenda ref: 11 a (ii). Cllrs were reminded of their obligations under the new Code of Conduct.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting on 20th May and the extraordinary meeting on 3rd June were approved and signed by the Vice-Chair.
5. **Proposal from Sonia Frost and Bill Dicks on Parish Online:** The Vice-Chair temporarily suspended Standing Orders to allow them to speak to provide information and answer questions from members. Following this detailed discussion, the Parish Online Mapping Services, which offers a 90-day free trial, was approved. *Action:* Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.
6. **Outstanding Matters arising from those minutes not covered elsewhere:** The clerk did not have any updates to report from the War Graves Commission. Councillor Welham is still to receive a quote on the grass cutting around the memorial and up to the church door, and it was agreed to wait for any confirmation or mention that the Church is managing the grass cutting before proceeding. *Action: Clerk to follow up with an email to War Graves Commission.*
7. **Public Forum:** No reports to note
8. **Report from County Councillor:** No reports to circulate.
9. **Report from District Councillors and Leader of ESC:** No reports to circulate
10. **Governance and Statutory Business:** Nothing to report.
11. **Planning:**
 - a) DC/25/0184/FUL Erection of new cart-lodge with first floor for use as residential annexe and/or holiday let accommodation. Crossways, Bruisyard Road – Application was unanimously approved. (ii) ii) DC/25/2040/EE Electricity Company Consultation. Overhead Electricity Line, Twin Oak Drive – Cllr Lindesay left the room for duration of discussion. After discussion, members unanimously resolved to approve. Discussed need for details on policies. *Action: clerk to follow-up on.*
 - b) No planning determinations received. For information only.
 - c) Response from ESC re planning application DC/25/1983/FUL – Sundown House – was read by the clerk to the council and previously circulated. *Action: Clerk to respond to enquire whether the studio is for non-residential or residential use.*
12. **Accounts:**
 - a) Payments totalling £1597.62 (previously circulated) were unanimously approved and signed by 2 Councillors. Payments totalling £147.94 (previously circulated) for the VH were unanimously approved and signed by 2 councillors.
 - b) No receipts to note
 - c) The bank reconciliations as at 30th June (previously circulated) were approved and signed by the Vice-Chair.
 - d) No update to report.
 - e) No update for clerk to report on donation to local first aid responders. *Action: Clerk to follow up with email.*
 - f) No current funding opportunities identified.
13. **Village Hall:** It was resolved that the Council would support the installation of a bench outside the village hall. *Action: Clerk to liaise with Rob Picton.*
14. **Pocket Park: Verge Maintenance is ongoing with consideration for environmental awareness.** Members discussed signage indicating 'Wildlife Area' or 'Designated for Wildlife'. Play equipment for under 4-year-olds and a goal post for over 12-year-olds to be considered. *Action: Clerk to research suitable signage and play equipment.*
15. **Village Hall Wifi/BT update:** *Action: Clerk will endeavour to contact BT to see if a better deal can be obtained.*

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- 15. Badingham Parish Council Village Hall Website:** The council has approved the use of the gov.uk domain for official government websites and new mailboxes. *Action: Clerk to contact CAS to organise.*
- 16. Correspondence Received** The clerk confirmed all circulated as appropriate.
- 17. Motion under the Public Bodies:** Nothing to note.

The meeting closed at 20:25

The next meeting is scheduled for 19th August 2025 at 6:15pm

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