

WALPOLE HIGHWAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Time & Date of Meeting: 1930 Tuesday 12 April 2026

Location of Meeting: Walpole Highway Village Hall

Subject: Ordinary Meeting

Attendees: Parish Councillors – Sheila Hillier (SMH), Helen Waters (HW)

Andrew Clifton (AC), Richard Housden (RH),

Elizabeth Jackson (EJ),

Clerk – Gillian Barnes (GB)

County & Borough Councillor Julian Kirk

Apologies: Andrew Melton, Simon Huggins

In the absence of the Chairman the meeting was chaired by SMH vice-chair

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24/26 Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Chairman Andrew Melton and Councillor Simon Huggins

25/26 Declarations of interest regarding agenda items. None

27/26 Minutes of the meeting held on 3 March 2026 were approved as a true record.

28/26 Matters arising from the minutes. Confirmed that formal approval for the NCC Parish Partnership bid 2026/2027 for footpath improvements has been received, authorised and returned.

29/26 Councillor Resignation. A letter of resignation has been received from Councillor Gloria Joiner. Gloria had been a councillor for almost 20 years and all present wished to send her best wishes and thanks for her many years of service. GB to arrange a personal thankyou from members. Electoral services to be notified of the vacancy.

30/26 Planning

to note planning applications since last meeting

- **25/00436/DISC_B** Tamar Nurseries Ltd West Drove South, DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS 8, 9 AND 11 FROM PLANNING PERMISSION 25/00436/FM - Construction of Glasshouse and a Reservoir
- **25/01304/DISC_A** Tamar Nurseries Ltd West Drove South, DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 2 (RETROSPECTIVE) FROM PLANNING PERMISSION 25/01304/F - Retrospective: Installation of water storage tank and the formation of a pond.
- **25/01634/DISC_A** Tamar Nurseries Ltd West Drove South, DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 5 FROM PLANNING PERMISSION 25/01634/F - Erection of a café.

to note planning decisions applications permitted

- **26/00135/F Stark Cottage Ratten Row, PART RETROSPECTIVE-** Proposed 2-storey side extension to dwelling, relocation of access and change of use of land forming domestic driveway.
- **26/00128/F Newfields Trinity Rd,** Single storey side and rear extension including new garage.

31/26 Tweedy Almshouses. The transfer of the Tweedy Almshouses to Freebridge Housing Association has been completed and work has already commenced on their modernisation. EJ had noted that the brick wall had been demolished to the front of the property and wondered if it was to be replaced. GB confirmed that it was shown on the plans.

32/26 Community Speed watch. At the last session 10 vehicles had been logged speeding in one hour.

33/26 To note correspondence received for information

- Norfolk Ramblers Assoc - footpath Audit
- Cllr J Kirk May report
- National Grid - Eastern Green Link 3 (EGL 3) and Eastern Green Link 4 (EGL 4) and Grimsby to Walpole – Targeted Statutory Consultation under Section 42 of the Planning Act 2008
- National Grid - Grimsby to Walpole: Community Update for residents

34/26 PC Website. A contract for a new website has been agreed with RLS computers. On completion GB to receive training and notes re updating.

35/26 Clerks Salary. Agreed to apply pay scales agreed per Local Government Services Agreement 2025/2026. Increase to commence from 1st April 2026.

36/26/ Audit 2025/2026 Clerk confirmed notice of audit received. Agreed to appoint Debbie Newton as Internal Auditor

37/26 Accounts approved for payment by internet banking

Supplier	Invoice details	Total £	Value £	VAT £	PAYE/NIC
WH Hall	Apr mtg	20.00	20.00	Nil	
G Barnes	Salary qtr. 03/26	1470.30	1176.19		294.00
WHPC	Employers NIC contrib				253.58
Nurture	Inv 1 Mid 380511 Apr	196.48	163.73	32.75	
KL & WN BC	Dog Bins 2026/27	2186.50	1822.08	364.42	
K Lynn IDB	Drainage rates 2026/27	107.77			

38/26 Public Participation – review of matters raised at the Annual Parish Assembly held prior to this meeting.

- Reporting dangerous dogs, does KL&WNBC still have a dog warden
- Report to KL&WNBC litterbin housing not delivered
- Mill Bank/ West Drove (S) report overgrown hedged to NCC Highways
- Hall Rd and Trinity Rd bends report potholes to NCC Highways

39/26 Date of next meeting 19 May Annual Meeting