



Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council

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Monday the 27th of October 2025 at 7.15 Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall AGENDA

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declaration of Interests**
- 3 To agree the minutes of 22nd of September**
- 4 Matters arising from the minutes**

10 minutes public speaking time

- 5 Report from County Councillor**
- 6 Report from District Councillor**
- 7 Emergency Plan**
- 8 Communications**
- 9 Planning**
 - 2025/3087 Deal Farm
 - 2025/2289 Moat House, High Road
 - 2025/1061 School Road (Amended)
- 10 Budget 2026/2027 (Precept)**
- 11 Village Entry Signs**
- 12 Mission Statement (H)**
- 13 Biodiversity Plan (H)**
- 14 Any Other Matters**
- 15 Date of next meeting**

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Parish Clerk



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Minutes of the Meeting held on the 27th October 2025

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

Present: Councillors, Chair, Mr M Le Grys, Mr M Edwards, Miss M Lanchester, Mrs K Le Grys, Mrs H Farstad McKeown and Mrs S Barton. Also present were County Councillor Dr C Rowett, two members of the public and the clerk, Mr M Mortimer

- 1 Apologies**
Mr J Easter
- 2 Declaration of Interests**
None
- 3 To agree the minutes of the 22nd of September**
The minutes were agreed and signed.
- 4 Matters arising from the minutes**
None

Public Speaking Time

There was a report of a missing sign on the footpath off Common Road resulting in walkers ending up on private property. Mrs Farstad McKeown offered to pursue the matter. Mr Edwards offered to look for some signs to purchase.

- 5 Report from County Councillor**
Dr Rowett reported on the deluge of energy projects leading to a round of consultations. On local government reform she stated that NCC had voted for a single authority for Norfolk and for the acceptance of a mayor for Norfolk and Suffolk. She invited applications for what remained of her personal councillor fund. The full report is in the minute book and on the website
- 6 Report from District Councillor**
Mr Easter sent his apologies and a report which had been circulated to councillors. It produced no comment or discussion and a copy is on the website and in the minute book.
- 7 Emergency Plan**
Mrs Farstad McKeown had circulated a preliminary draft plan as a basis for discussion and awaiting details. Miss Lanchester explained that the public event had provided some useful ideas. Several views were expressed by councillors on essentials and priorities were expressed but there was agreement that a list of vulnerable people should be made. The possibility of setting up an Emergency Team separate from the PC was raised. Councillors agreed to give consideration to the development of the plan.
- 8 Communications**
The clerk reported two calls regarding dumping on the airfield but after a tour with Mr Edwards found nothing new. Mr Le Grys explained that he had already responded to the request for comments on the Norwich to Tilbury pylons.



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9 Planning

The following recommendations were agreed.

2025/3087

Recommend rejection. Too big, smell issues and excessive traffic resulting

2025/2289

Recommend approval

20 25/1061

Major issues remain. Too many houses, drainage, traffic including waste lorries access without reversing.

10 Budget

The precept amount in the budget proposal was agreed.

11 Village Entry Signs

The clerk reported that the Highways engineer had not provided any answers to the questions asked. Dr Rowett offered to speak to the person concerned.

12 Mission Statement

Mrs Farstad McKeown suggested a Mission Statement for the PC which might create more community activity and awareness.. There was a discussion but no conclusion. Dr Rowett suggested some funding sources for community development.

13 Biodiversity

Mrs Farstad McKeown wondered if the PC had a biodiversity plan and felt it should. She asked if it was a requirement to have one and Miss Lanchester stated that it was a requirement to have one or a Nature Plan.

14 Any Other Matters

Mrs Barton spoke about the disappearance of signs and the dumping of toxic waste. The clerk agreed to report the waste to South Norfolk.
Mr Le Grys announced that he would be resigning shortly.

15 Date of Next Meeting

24th November at 7.15 in the Village Hall