



## **Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council**

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**Monday the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 7.15**  
**Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall**  
**AGENDA**

- 1      Election of Chair**
- 2      Apologies**
- 3      Declaration of Interests**
- 4      To agree the minutes of 27<sup>th</sup> October**
- 5      Matters arising from the minutes**

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### **10 minutes public speaking time**

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- 6      Report from County Councillor**
- 7      Report from District Councillor**
- 8      Emergency Plan**
- 9      Communications**
- 10     Planning**
- 11     Finance**
- 12     Village Entry Signs**
- 13     Vision Statement**
- 14     1066 Speed Limit**
- 15     Grit Bins**
- 16     Flooding Locations**
- 17     Website**
- 18     Cock Crow**
- 19     Footpaths**
- 20     Any Other Matters**
- 21     Date of next meeting**

**Parish Clerk**



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### **Minutes of the Meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2025**

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

**Present:** Councillors, Chair, Mr M Le Grys, Mr M Edwards, Miss M Lanchester, Mrs K Le Grys, and Mrs S Barton. Also present were District Councillor, Mr James Easter, one member of the public and the clerk, Mr M Mortimer

#### **1 Election of Chair**

After a show of hands Mr Edwards was elected Chair and took over chairing the meeting.

#### **2 Apologies**

Mrs H Farstad McKeown and Dr C Rowett

#### **3 Declaration of Interests**

None

#### **4 To agree the minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> of October**

The minutes were agreed and signed.

#### **5 Matters arising from the minutes**

Mrs Barton reported that she had contacted NCC about damaged signposts and had a “low priority” response. The clerk confirmed that he had reported the dumped toxic waste.

#### **Public Speaking Time**

There were no public comments

#### **6 Report from County Councillor**

Dr Rowett had sent her apologies and a report which is in the minute book and on the website

#### **7 Report from District Councillor**

Mr Easter understood that the Community Action Fund would be available for another year and be increased to £150,000. He reported that his member’s grant had doubled. He announced that the Warm Homes Scheme was open as was a septic tank replacement scheme. The report is in the minute book.

#### **8 Emergency Plan**

In the absence of Mrs Farstad McKeown this item was postponed till the next meeting.

#### **9 Communications**

The clerk reported that the Local Government Reorganisation consultation was open. Mr Le Grys had received an expression of interest in buying or renting the land behind the allotments. Miss Lanchester said that if a sale was to go ahead the process must be opened up to all interested parties.

#### **10 Planning**

Refusal was recommended for 2025/3497 Common Road as it was too big and too close to existing housing.



**11 Finance**

A report had been provided.

**12 Village Entry Signs**

Miss Lanchester had provided useful information on the installation of Village Entry Gates at a nearby village. There was a discussion about the way forward and Mr Edwards agreed to approach a local contractor who it was believed had the appropriate credentials to work on Highways projects.

**13 Mission Statement**

In the absence of Mrs Farstad McKeown this item was postponed till the next meeting.

**14 A1066 Speed Limit**

Mr Le Grys had received an enquiry about reducing the speed limit on the A1066. The clerk explained that the road was administered by National Highways and was outside the responsibility of either NCC or SNDC but agreed to make enquiries.

**15 Grit Bins**

Mr Edwards reported that all bins were present and full and though one was damaged it was still effective.

**16 Flooding Locations**

The A1066 and School Road junction and The Street and Bates Lane area were identified. Mr Easter explained that there was no Flood Officer anymore. The clerk agreed to speak with Dr Rowett.

**17 Website**

There were several views expressed that the website was difficult to navigate and some changes would be required.

**18 Cock Crow**

Mr Edwards had been informed that the Cock Crow would come to an end sometime next year. Disappointment was expressed and Mrs Barton pointed out that it would mean the loss of an information delivery method for the PC.

**19 Footpaths**

There was agreement that footpaths were in a poor state and Mr Le Grys wondered if it might be worthwhile paying someone to cut them back twice a year.

**20 Any Other Matters**

Mr Edwards reported that attempts to get the war memorial cleaned and repaired were not going well but hoped that a recent approach to a local stonemason would yield more success.

**21 Date of Next Meeting**

26<sup>th</sup> of January at 7.15 in the Village Hall