



Minutes of a Meeting of Harling Parish Council

Held at Harling Old School Hall

On Tuesday 23rd June 2026

PRESENT

Cllr L Mould (acting Chair)
Cllr A Hayward
Cllr G Jubb
Cllr Blades
Cllr G Denham
Cllr J Denniss
Mrs K Filby (Clerk)

Cllr B Copping
Cllr J Jacob
Cllr K Rayner

Two members of the public were present

1. APOLOGIES WERE RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED

Cllr P Edge & Cllr N Johnson

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 26th May

Item 7. On the matter raised of Council assets – The Clerk confirms that land transferred to the Council at no cost would be recorded as having a £1 value on the Councils asset register

3. MINUTES SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD BY THE CHAIRMAN

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Pathways along B1111 overgrown – Clerk advised outside of Harling PC boundary but resident can report directly to Norfolk County Council

5. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY OR PERSONAL INTEREST(S) IN ANY AGENDA ITEMS

None

7. PLANNING

- a. PL/2026/0623 – Ash Lodge, Quidenham Road – No comments
- b. PL/2026/0675 – Lime Kiln House, Eccles Road – No Objections
- c. PL/2026/0773 – Tom’s Meadow, Fen Lane – Following discussion, the Parish Council **resolved to object** to the application. Members considered that the proposal failed to overcome the reasons for previous refusals and remained contrary to the Breckland Local Plan. The Council’s principal concerns were:

The substandard visibility at the junction of Fen Lane and Quidenham Road remains unchanged, resulting in continued highway safety concerns. The proposal would increase vehicular movements along Fen Lane, an unmade lane that also forms a Public Right of Way, leading to increased conflict between vehicles and pedestrians, cyclists and other users, together with further deterioration of the lane.

The site lies outside the defined settlement boundary and conflicts with the spatial strategy and Policy HOU03 of the Breckland Local Plan. Recent Planning Inspectorate decisions relating to development on Fen Lane remain material considerations, and the circumstances that led to those appeals being dismissed have not materially changed.

8. ACCOUNTS

- a) SCG Communication (Broadband) - £59.99
- b) Staff Costs - £3802
- c) British Gas (street lights) - £402
- d) ROSPA - £346.80
- e) Harling Old School Hall - £21
- f) NPTS - £76.80
- g) Clearscape - £1600
- j) Scribe - £66
- k) NPTS - £76.80

9. LAND TRANSFER GRIGSONS WOOD

The Council have reviewed the Heads of Terms from Breckland Council in relation to the transfer of Grigsons Wood (part of) to the Parish Council. Cllr Blades proposed the acceptance of these terms, seconded by Cllr Denham. Eight Councillors for and one against, Cllr Jacobs wished for his objection to be minuted.

10. PLAY PARK INSPECTIONS

Inspections have taken place on all Council play areas including gym and skate park. The reports are being made available to all members of the Parish Council. Cllr Rayner to work with the grounds team on repairs and upgrades as required

11. CORRESPONDED RECEIVED/CLERKS REPORT

- a) Complaint received over E Scooters being ridden through the village, Norfolk Police Beat Manager informed
- b) Freedom of the Parish closing date 15th July for nominations
- c) Complaints continue over noise and litter in Grigsons Wood – Beat Manager to be asked to patrol and speak with children
- d) Head Groundsman B Allen is currently on long term sick – R Plumb covering duties along with Clearscape who were instructed to cover. Thanks to Cllr Rayner for also taking on watering and cutting duties whilst R Plumb is on annual leave

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

28th July 2026

K Filby
Clerk
6th July 2026