

BACTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extra Parish Council Meeting held on 29 September 2026 from 7pm held in Bacton Village Hall.

In Attendance: David Ryding (DR) Chair person, Deana Bird (DB), Matt Bryant (MB), Martin Head (MH), John Kingsley (JK) and Graham MacAusland (GM)

Others present: Tina Newell (Clerk) (TN), Andrew Mellen (AM) (District Councillor) and Andrew Stringer (AS) (County Councillor).

Prior to the meeting David Ryding informed all of Vanessa Kingsley's resignation from the Parish Council. Vanessa has served the Council for many years as Councillor, Chair and Vice Chair, providing invaluable support and commitment to the village. Her knowledge and contribution will be greatly missed.

290926/01 **Apologies for absence:** Jill Dowsett (JD) and Gail Wigglesworth (GW) offered apologies for absence prior to the meeting due to a previous engagement and a family bereavement.

290926/02 All Councillors agreed to accept apologies from and JD and GW.

290926/03 **Declarations of Interest and Dispensation requests:** Councillors confirmed they had no declarations of interest or dispensation requests at the meeting and no declarations of interest or dispensations had been received prior the meeting.

290926/04 **Minutes of previous meeting:** All Councillors confirmed receipt of the draft minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 2 September 2026 and resolved to accept these as a true record of the decisions made. DR, as Chairperson was authorised to sign and date these (pages 166 – 168 inclusive).

290926/05 **Public Forum:** There were no comments or questions from AM or AS (as the only members of public present).

Planning: Councillors considered the following planning applications made to the District Council relating to Bacton since the last meeting:

- 290926/06 DC/26/03807 Full planning application construction of 20 no space car park and access track.
Land and football pitches at the Bacton Scout Hall, Rectory Road IP14 4LE.
After consideration all Councillors resolved to offer full **support** for this application.
- 290926/07 DC/26/03889 Householder application erection of a single storey side extension to dwelling and alterations to existing rear conservatory
Sunnycott, 2 Cow Green IP14 4HJ
After discussion it was agreed that the proposal would provide an improvement to the existing dwelling and therefore all Councillors resolved to **support** the application.
- 290926/08 DC/26/03955 Full planning application – erection of 2 no dwellings including erection of garage to serve existing dwelling (following partial demolition and alteration of existing dwelling)
St Helier, Broad Road, IP14 4NB
After considering this application all Councillors resolved to **support** the application, **subject to** the submission of a flood risk report and evidence, by way of an appropriate plan, demonstrating that adequate and suitable drainage arrangements will be provided.
- 290926/09 DC/26/03654 Householder application – erection of a single storey rear extension
31 Pound Hill, IP14 4LP
After a brief discussion all Councillors resolved to offer its support for this application.
- 290926/10 Councillors noted there had been no determinations made by the District Council relating to Bacton since the last meeting.
- 290926/11 Councillors noted a bespoke payment plan has been agreed with the District Council relating to the outstanding Community Infrastructure Liability (CIL) on Mizpah (application DC/19/05193) however there is no update on the outstanding liability relating to planning application 4945/16 (land to the Rear of the Bull Inn).
- 290926/12 Councillors noted the District Council has submitted the CIL draft charging schedules to the Planning Inspectorate for an independent examination.

290926/13 Councillors noted a meeting with senior planners regarding the site formerly offered for community use on Ivy Hill is scheduled to take place early October 2026.

Road Safety:

290926/14 Further to a meeting with the Community Engineer from Suffolk County Council all Councillors agreed to extend the length of the existing drain adding a second shorter drain on the verge along Church Road at a cost of £980 using contractor Mark Goodman. Councillors noted this work was approved by the Community Engineer who confirmed no permission or license from Suffolk Council is required.

290926/15 Whilst there was no data from the Speed Indicator Devices available for the meeting TN will update social media when the data is received.

290926/16 DR confirmed the only road safety work, as agreed by the Community Engineer from Suffolk County Council, is to ensure white lines on the road sides are clearly marked and to re-instate 'dragons teeth' on all 30 junctions. It was agreed to obtain quotes to carry out these and bring to the next meeting.

Correspondence:

290926/17 DR informed those present that the current contractor has confirmed that the work previously carried out at North Close was inconsistent and not completed in accordance with the work required; some areas were laid on sand, others on Type 1 material, and many areas had no membrane. The current contractor considered the previous work to be substandard.

290926/18 TN noted a statement to support the Community Governance Review has been written and approved by all Councillors and sent to the District Council.

290926/19 **Other matters for inclusion on a future agenda include:** formation of a finance committee, Community Emergency Plan, disposal of old bins, community library, Cedar Close, working group memberships and election/co-option.

290926/20 **Councillors noted the date of the next meeting as 19 October 2026.**

290926/21 **DR closed the meeting at 19:42.**