

BADINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 6:00 pm, 3rd March 2026

in Badingham Village Hall, Low Street, Badingham IP13 8JT

Members: Cllrs Lindesay, Cutress, Welham. Also present: The clerk and one member of the public.

1. **Chair's Welcome:** The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies received and approved from Cllr Johnston
3. **Co-Pecuniary/Non-Pecuniary Interests:** Non-Pecuniary Interest was signed by Cllr Cutress for Agenda item 10
a. (ii) Cllrs were reminded of their obligations under the new Code of Conduct.
4. **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting on 20th January were approved and signed by the chair.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes not covered elsewhere:** Mill Road flooding - refer to item 6. 20mph speed limit - Cllr Lindesay will follow up on the Speed watch camera and whether the village would like to have this in place.
6. **Public Forum:** A member of the public attended to request an update regarding flooding concerns, which have been logged with Suffolk County Council under reference numbers 545989 and 50470. **Action:** Councillors will clear out the existing gullies. It's a running repair job. The Chair will follow up with Suffolk County Council for a response.
7. **Report from County Councillor:** No report received.
8. **Report from District Councillors and Leader of ESC:** Previously circulated.
9. **Governance and Statutory Business:** The following policies were unanimously approved (i) Asset Register (ii) CIL Statement to 31/03/2026 - The Council is looking to allocate/spend some funds. (iii) Internal Control Statement (iv) Financial risk analysis - the Clerk will check the computer backup procedure.
10. **Planning:**
 - a) DC/26/0579/FUL - No objection was raised to the planning application.
 - b) No planning determinations received. For information only.
 - c) The circulated Planning Reform and what it means for local councils was acknowledged.
11. **Accounts:**
 - a) Payments totalling £1212.23 (previously circulated) were unanimously approved and signed by 2 Councillors. Payments totalling £5792.13 (previously circulated) for the VH were unanimously approved and signed by 2 councillors.
 - b) Receipts to note: £1300.77 VAT reclaim
 - c) The bank reconciliations as at 28.02.2026 (previously circulated) were approved and signed by the chair.
 - d) Nothing to note.
 - e) No current funding opportunities identified.
12. **Village Hall:** The Terms of Reference for the VHMC and the ACRE Guidelines were discussed and will be reviewed. The Village Hall acoustics were approved. One item is scheduled for retrospective approval at the next meeting. The VHMC Chair proposed painting the exterior of the Village Hall. The item will be considered at the next meeting once two further quotes have been obtained.
13. **Pocket Park:** Cllr Welham will contact Creative Play to clarify their plans. Approval will be considered at the next meeting if requirements are met.
14. **Correspondence Received** The clerk confirmed all circulated as appropriate.
15. **Motion under the Public Bodies:** Nothing to note.

The meeting closed at 19:55

The next meeting is scheduled for 14th April 2026

Caroline Byrne - Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to Badingham Parish Council