

Minutes of Nedging with Naughton Parish Council
Meeting held on Tuesday 1st September 2026

Present: Cllr Harding (Chairman), Lynn Allum (Clerk), Cllr Witham, Cllr Godman, Cllr London, Cllr Pratt, County Cllr Robert Lindsay, District Cllr Leigh Jamieson, 2 Members of the public attended.

1. Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
No apologies were received.

2. Councillors' Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 14/07/26

The minutes of the last meeting held on 14/07/26 were approved, agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising directly from the minutes

S.I.D Posts: Clerk will contact the speed watch team for an update.

Defibrillator Cabinet: This has now been water-proofed. Cllr London will monitor it to make sure it stays dry.

5. Reports from visiting Councillors

District Cllr Leigh Jamieson read the District Report to the meeting.

County Cllr Robert Lindsay read the County Report to the meeting.

- Bildeston Development Workshops are being held on 10th, 11th, & 12th September. Cllr Jamieson will make further enquiries regarding attendance and times and report back.
- An enquiry was made regarding the possibility of installing rumble strips on Ipswich Road as an alternative to the proposed zebra crossing, which had been refused. It was understood that this alternative would also be unlikely to be approved.
- Cllr Lindsey advised that he may be able to contribute 50% of the cost of purchasing an additional SID through grant funding. However, it was agreed that there were insufficient funds available to proceed with the purchase during the current financial year.

6. Neighbourhood Planning update

BDC has offered funding of up to £8,000 towards the costs of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. This funding is intended to cover the initial Phase 1, although it is thought that the full cost may exceed the available funding. There is currently no guarantee of funding for Phase 2, although it was considered likely that further funding may become available; otherwise, the work undertaken during Phase 1 could be of limited benefit. Cllr London will arrange a meeting with Ian Poole to discuss whether the costs can be reduced to within the £8,000 funding available.

7. Village Hall & Community Council Report

Cllr Goodman read the VH&CC Report to the meeting.

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8. Finance Report

General Fund

Balance b/fwd from previous meeting on 14/07/26 £7,390.62

Income

Date	Item	Amount
10/08/2026	Bank Interest	£3.98

Expenditure

Date	Item	Amount	VAT	Power
20/07/2026	Bank Service Charges	£4.25	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
22/07/2026	BDC Dog Litter Emptying Service	£216.00	£0.00	Litter Act 1983 ss 5,6
27/07/2026	Sky Broadband	£38.00	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
18/08/2026	Bank Service Charges	£4.25	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
27/08/2026	Sky Broadband	£38.00	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
27/08/2026	Elan City SID Solar Conversion Del & Labour Inv 02936		£39.20	S111 LGA 72

Total Expenditure £339.70

General Fund Balance £7,054.90

CIL Fund

Balance b/fwd from previous meeting on 14/07/26 £1,943.22

Expenditure

Date	Item	Amount	VAT	Power
27/08/2026	Elan City SID Solar Conversion Del & Labour Inv 02936	£196.00		S111 LGA 72

CIL Balance £1,747.22

It was noted that after making the above payment to Elan City, there might be a shortfall in CIL funds to pay for the 3 new SID posts.

Total Balance as at 01/09/26 £8,802.12

(Lloyds Community Account £100.00 Lloyds Instant Access Account £8,702.12)

- **Budget Update**
- An up-to-date budget has been sent to Cllrs.
- Expenditure to date is **£2,954.77**
- Estimated payments remaining to the end of the financial year **£6,050.59**
- Estimated Total Expenditure to the end of the financial year **£9,005.36**
- Precept received £9,585.00
- Estimated end of year general balance £5,881.14

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9. Clerks Report

Decision Notices

DC/26/01829 Unit 9, Crowcroft Rd Industrial Estate IP7 7HR: Demolition of existing storage building and erection of two storey office/storage building and overhang. Permission Granted subject to conditions.

2026-27 NATIONAL SALARY AWARD

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has agreed the new pay scales for 2026-27 to be implemented from 1 April 2026. It was agreed that the Clerk's pay increase should be awarded to stay in line with the NJC Agreement. This will be backdated to April 2026 in the Quarter 2 payroll.

New Data Protection Requirements

From June 2026, new data protection requirements require parish and town councils, as data controllers, to have a formal process in place for handling data protection complaints.

The Council must ensure that complaints are appropriately acknowledged, investigated and responded to in a timely manner.

To meet these requirements, the Council has approved and adopted a new Data Protection Policy, Complaints Procedure and Complaints Investigation Form.

Broadband Review

The SKY Broadband contract expires in August 2027 and is currently £38/month. It was agreed to continue to pay the fee by direct debit and to review next year.

Workplace Pension Compliance Awareness - Re-enrolment duties were completed and submitted in 2025. The next re-enrolment assessment is therefore not due until 2028.

Army Engagement Event - An invitation has been received for the Clerk or Cllrs to attend an Army Engagement Event, "Building Partnerships for the Future", being held in Ipswich in October. It was noted that no members were available or wished to attend. The Clerk will respond to the invitation.

10. Chelsworth Community First Responder Initiative

A request was received for funding towards the Chelsworth Community First Responder Initiative. It was noted that the initiative receives support through the East of England Ambulance Service and charitable fundraising, including funding for some equipment and uniforms. Following discussion, the Council agreed that although this was considered a worthwhile cause, that it could not make a financial contribution, as there are currently insufficient funds within the Council's budget to support the initiative.

11. Insurance Renewal & Asset Register

The Council's insurance policy is due for renewal on 1 October 2026. The Clerk is awaiting confirmation from CAS as to whether the SID units, posts and solar panels should be categorised under 'municipal infrastructure' or 'all risks'. Once the renewal quote has been received, the Clerk will circulate the details and the asset register to Councillors by email for approval, as the renewal will be due before the next meeting in November.

12. Any Questions

There were no further questions

The meeting closed at 20:45

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