

Minutes of Nedging with Naughton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13th January 2026

Present: Cllr Harding (Chairman), Lynn Allum (Clerk), Cllr Witham, Cllr Goodman, Cllr Pratt, Cllr London, District Cllr Leigh Jamieson, County Cllr Robert Lindsay, 1 member of the public.

1. Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Apologies were received from Lynn Allum (Clerk) (broken wrist)

2. Councillors' Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 11/11/25

The minutes of the last meeting held on 11/11/25 were approved, agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising directly from the minutes

There were no matters arising.

5. Reports from Visiting Councillors

County Cllr Robert Lindsay read the County Report to the meeting.
District Cllr Leigh Jamieson read the District Report to the meeting.

Funding is available to provide improved bus services. Councillors agreed that there appeared to be little demand in the Parish. After discussion it was agreed that Cllr London would prepare notices to be displayed in the Parish Notice Boards advising of the opportunity for improved bus service and asking Parishioners to express their interest and level of support for more buses.

Funding is also available for new paths or improvements for existing paths. It was suggested that the path on the Ipswich Road could benefit from resurfacing.

It was reported that Council Elections are likely to be delayed until May 2027, with shadow unitary council elections which will be for areas still to be decided and Mayor elections in May 2028.

Residents and Landlords are being urged to apply quickly for Warm Homes Local Grant Funding. There are Winter warmth Packs available for people struggling with rising living costs.

There is funding available through our County Councillor which could pay for repairs to the gates and fencing at the Village Hall.

6. Report from Village Hall & Community Council

- Report of social events and continuing activities.
- The Village Hall kitchen is in need of repair and improvement.
- Repairs to the rendering to rear wall has been delayed by inclement weather.

7. Planning Application DC/25/04953 Hillcrest, Nedging Road IP7 7HJ – Proposal: Erection of general purpose agricultural barn

There were no comments raised regarding this application, no meeting held and no response submitted to BDC. Application has been Granted.

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8. Planning Application DC/25/05078 Landfill Systems Ltd, Crowcroft Road Industrial Estate, Nedging with Naughton – Proposal: Extension to existing building (Class E (g))

The Council have no objection to the application, but are concerned that nearby properties could be unacceptably affected by noise from operations in the extended building. The extended building should have noise insulation provisions included.

9. Finance Report

General Fund

Balance b/fwd from previous meeting on 11/11/25 **£7,432.35**

Income

Date	Item	Amount
09/12/2025	Bank Interest	£5.20
09/01/2025	Bank Interest	£5.08

Total Income £10.28

Expenditure

Date	Item	Amount	VAT	Power
18/11/2025	Bank Service Charges	£4.25	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
27/11/2025	Sky Broadband	£34.00	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
13/12/2025	Clerk Expenses incl 2 ink cartridges	£118.37	£7.09	S112 LGA 72
17/12/2025	Clerk/RFO Salary Q3	£1,053.55	£0.00	S112 LGA 72
19/12/2025	Bank Service Charges	£4.25	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
29/12/2025	Sky Broadband	£34.00	£0.00	S111 LGA 72

Total Expenditure £1,248.42

General Fund Balance £6,194.21

CIL Fund

Balance b/fwd from previous meeting on 11/11/25 £3,582.07

There has been no CIL Income or Expenditure and the Balance remains at £3,582.07

Total Balance as at 13/01/25 £9,776.28

(Lloyds Community Account £100 Lloyds Instant Access Account £9,676.28

Reconciliations and bank statements for November and December 2025 have been sent to Cllrs and the balances were agreed and signed as being a true record.

- **Budget Update**
- An up-to-date budget has been sent to Cllrs.
- Expenditure to date is £7,164.40
- Estimated payments remaining to the end of the financial year £1,317.23
- Estimated Total Expenditure to the end of the financial year **£8,481.63**
- Precept received **£8,520**
- Estimated end of year general balance **£5,421.98**

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10. Budget Setting 2026 - 2027

The Councillors discussed the budget at length. it was agreed that there should be an increase of 12.5% on last year’s precept request of £8,520.00, to ensure that appropriate progress is made to recover reserve funds to the previously agreed target level and to comply with Council Policy.

The Budget target allowances should be agreed for each item and the target improvement for the reserve included. The precept request will be £9,585.00.

11. Precept Setting 2026 – 27

The tax base level has increased by 2.0%

It was agreed that the precept request for 2026/27 would be a 12.5% uplift on last year’s precept received (£8,520) to meet the expected identified allowances for the year and to continue to raise the level of reserves held. Total precept of £9,585.00 will be requested from BDC.

This precept gives the Parish a Council Tax Band D amount of £46.14 which will show an increase of 10.25% on the Council Tax Bill for 2026/27. The request form will be signed and submitted to BDC by 31st January 2026.

12. Adoption of

- **Data Protection & Information Policy and Data Protection Impact Assessment**
- **Bring your own device policy (BYOD)**

The above policies were agreed and adopted by the Council.

13. Clerks Report

There was nothing to report other than items already on the Agenda.

14. Setting dates for 2026/27 Meetings

It was agreed that meetings would continue to take place on the second Tuesday of alternate months.

15. Review of Clerk’s Contract

The Clerk’s contract has been reviewed and it was agreed that no changes are required.

16. Any Questions

The meeting closed at 20:27

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