

Minutes of Nedging with Naughton Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 14th January 2025

Present: Cllr Harding (Chairman), Lynn Allum (Clerk), Cllr Witham, Cllr Goodman, Cllr Pratt, Cllr London
6 members of the public.

1. Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Apologies were received from District Councillor Leigh Jamieson and County Councillor Robert Lindsay

2. Councillors' Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of Interest.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 12/11/24

The minutes of the last meeting held on 12/11/24 were approved, agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising directly from the minutes

Village Welcome Gates – Talks are still in progress with the Contractor to move the village welcome gates to an alternative position. It was suggested that the gates might be able to be lowered, rather than moved, although this would need approval from SCC.

It was confirmed that any problems or queries with overgrown hedge rows, damaged road surfaces or pavements/footpaths should be reported via the online SCC Highways Reporting Tool.

5. Reports from Visiting Councillors

Cllr Harding read the County Report out to the meeting. (provided by County Cllr Lindsay)
Cllr Harding read the District Report out to the meeting. (provided by District Cllr Jamieson)

6. Report from Village Hall & Community Council

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

7. Planning Application: DC/24/05266 - Mobile Home at Vine Farm Granary, Nedging Rd, Nedging with Naughton IP7 7HJ – Proposal: Erection of dwelling with cartlodge, following demolition of redundant barn; conversion of existing granary building to ancillary space (following approval of planning permission DC/21/03835

After a short discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council have no objections to this planning application.

8. Finance Report

General Fund

Balance b/fwd from previous meeting on 12/11/24 £6,801.93

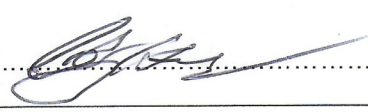
Income

Date	Item	Amount
09/12/2024	Bank Interest	£9.59
09/01/2025	Bank Interest	£9.88

Total Income £19.47

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Chairman



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Expenditure

Date	Item	Amount	VAT	Power
27/11/2024	Sky Broadband (November)	£44.50	£0.00	S111 LGA 72
02/12/2024	Clerk/RFO Expenses 22/11/23-30/11/24	£120.65	£0.00	S112 LGA 72
20/12/2024	Clerk/RFO Salary Q3 (Incl backdated pay)	£1,116.18	£0.00	S112 LGA 72
22/12/2024	Sky Broadband (December)	£44.50	£0.00	S111 LGA 72

Total Expenditure £1,325.83

General Fund Balance £5,495.57

CIL Fund

There has been no CIL Income or Expenditure since the last meeting and the balance remains at **£5,848.00**

Total Balance as at 14/01/25 £11,343.57

(Lloyds Treasurers Account £100.00 Lloyds Savings Account £11,243.57

Reconciliations and bank statements for November & December 2024 have been sent to Cllrs and the balances were agreed as being a true record.

Budget Update

An up-to-date budget has been sent to Cllrs.

Expenditure to date is **£7,027.35**

Estimated further expenditure to the end of the financial year **£1,234.20**

Estimated Total Expenditure to the end of the financial year **£8,261.55**

Precept received was £7,745.00

Based on these figures we would be taking **£516.55** from reserves, which is approximately the cost of the new laptop and Microsoft office package.

9. Budget Setting 2025/26

The budget had been sent to Cllrs prior to the meeting and after discussion it was agreed that there should be an increase of 10% on last year's precept request of £7,745, to take into account the total of identified allowances for 2025/26 and to start raising the level of the reserve held to comply with Council Policy.

10. Precept Setting 2025/26

The draft precept had been sent to Cllrs before the meeting

The tax base level has increased by 0.3%.

It was agreed that the precept request for 2025/26 would be a 10% uplift on last year's precept received (£7,745) to meet the expected identified allowances for the year and to start raising the level of reserves held.

Total precept of £8,520 will be requested from BDC.

This precept gives the Parish a Council Tax Band D amount of £41.85. This will show an increase of 9.68% on the Council Tax Bill for 2025/26. The request form was signed and will be submitted to BDC by 31st January 2025.

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11. Clerk's Report

Decision Notices

DC/24/03765 – Unit 9, Crowcroft Road Industrial Estate IP7 7HR – Demolition of existing bulding and erection of Class E (g) building – Permission Granted.

DC/24/04319 – Ivy House, Nedging Road, IP7 7HW – Erection of 1no self-build dwelling with detached garage including change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden – Permission Granted.

DC/24/04371 – Red House Barn, Ipswich Road IP7 7BN – Erection of a garage – Permission Granted.

Review of Internet Banking Policy – The Policy was reviewed and it was agreed that no changes are required.

12. Setting dates for 2025/26 Meetings

The dates had been sent out to the Councillors as listed on the meetings list. It was agreed that there would be 6 Parish Council meetings planned for the coming year 2025/26. All meetings will continue to be held in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on 13th May 2025 at 7pm, to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 8pm. The Clerk will arrange for the dates to be printed in the Roundabout magazine.

13. Review of Clerk's Contract

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

14. Any Questions

It was confirmed that grants could be available from Suffolk Community Foundation, for planned projects. Cllr Goodman will make enquiries as to whether a grant would be available, to create disabled parking for the Village Hall.

No updates were available as to when the Anglian Water Pipe works will be completed.

The Parish Council Meeting dates could be put on NEXTDOOR and both the Village and the Village Hall Facebook pages. Cllr Goodman will look into this. **(now actioned)**

Neighbourhood Watch – It was thought that Nedging Road still has a neighbourhood watch scheme. There is also a 'Police Connect' messaging service available, connecting you to the latest policing news in your area via email. There is no charge for this service and you can register to receive information about the issues that most affect you.

It was confirmed that there is a Nedging with Naughton Neighbourhood Internet Site (NEXTDOOR) that anybody can join to share information or concerns.

The meeting closed at 20:30

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Chairman	Date <u>11/03/25</u>