

# KELLING PARISH COUNCIL

Chair – Councillor J. Mills



## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KELLING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2025 AT 6.00 PM AT THE READING ROOM, KELLING**

### **Present:-**

Chairman - Cllr. J. Mills, Vice-Chairman - Cllr. A. Cunningham,  
Cllr. D. Ellingham, Cllr. T. Griffin, Cllr. I. Grundy,  
Cllr. C. Hill and Cllr. P. Randell.

District Councillor – V. Holliday.

Julie Chance – Clerk.

### **1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2025**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025, having been circulated, were taken as read, **AGREED** and signed by the Chairman.

### **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor E. Vardy.

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. C. Hill concerning any Kelling Estate matters.

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. T. Griffin concerning any Kelling Church matters.

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Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. J. Mills concerning any Kelling Church matters.

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. P. Randell concerning any Kelling Heath matters.

#### **4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

#### **5. POLICE**

**5.1 SAM 3 Sign:-** The Clerk reported that the cost of a SAM 3 sign is £3,445. County Councillor Vardy has agreed to meet 50% of the cost in the sum of £1,722.50 and it is possible to apply to the Parish Partnership fund for the other 50%. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will apply for the Parish Partnership Fund. The Parish Partnership Fund deadline is December 2025 and the results will be available in January 2026. It was **AGREED** that if the application is not successful the Members will discuss the possibility of meeting the 50% cost from their reserves.

**5.2 SNAP:-** The Clerk reported that the meeting was held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and the priorities set were speeding and anti-social behaviour.

**5.3 OP Radium:-** The Clerk circulated a letter received from the Police requesting support with a Trigger Plan to deal with Courier Fraud. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will reply with Kelling Parish Council's support.

#### **6. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**6.1 County Councillor's Report:-** None received.

**6.2 District Councillor's Reports:-** Attached. District Councillor Holliday reported that the Police and Crime Commissioner had met with North Norfolk District Council and she is open to meet with Parish Councils. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would email Sarah Taylor and ask whether she would be prepared to meet to discuss the dangerous stretch of road through Kelling.

District Councillor Holliday reported that only Vodaphone is not installing 5G until 2028/29. 4G is at capacity and 3G has been shut off. North Norfolk District Council will be collecting data concerning the masts and different providers.

The Clerk circulated updates concerning the Loal Government Reorganisation. It was **AGREED** to ask District Councillor Holliday to vote for the 3 tier option.

**Carer Money Matters:-** Circulated. Noted.

**PSTN – Lifeline Numbers:-** Circulated. Noted. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would produce a leaflet with this information together with information about home deliveries.

**Chemicals Legislative Reform Proposals:-** Circulated. Noted.

District Councillor Holliday reported that she has complained about Weybourne being a small growth village in the Local Plan. The Inspector is supporting this initiative.

## **7. PLANNING**

The Clerk circulated Planning Related Training information. Noted.

## **8. FINANCE**

**8.1 Cashbook:-** The Clerk circulated the cashbook to 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2025. **AGREED.**

**8.2** All present signed the bank statements against the cashbook for the period to 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2025.

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| <b>8.3</b> The following payments were <b>AGREED:-</b> | <b>£</b> |
| Clerk's salary, travel and inks                        | 406.80   |
| HMRC – Tax                                             | 84.80    |

**8.4 Full Council Training:-** The Clerk will circulate the date that Norfolk ALC are available in November.

**8.5 Budget 2026/27:- AGREED.** The increase in the Precept will be £130 – 1.7%. The total Precept equates to £56.09 per household per year.

**8.6 Remembrance Day Wreath:-** It was **AGREED** to purchase K Wreath in red white and blue at a cost of £30 without a badge. The Clerk will send Cllr. Cunningham the details and he will order it.

## 9. HIGHWAYS

- 9.1 **Kerb Stones – The Street:-** The Chairman reported that he and Cllr. Randell met with the Highway Engineer and it was a very productive meeting. The Highway Engineer will be putting together a business case and submitting it for funding. The grips at Weynor Gardens were also inspected and the Highway Engineer agreed to have them cleared. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write to the Highway Engineer and ask him to put what was agreed at the meeting in writing.
- 9.2 **Temporary Traffic Orders:-** Circulated. Noted.
- 9.3 **Manhole Cover:-** This matter has been dealt with by District Councillor Holliday and can be removed from the agenda.
- 9.4 **Dog Bin:-** The Clerk reported that one of the dog bins is unable to be opened due to the lock failing. Cllr. Randell will inspect the bin and try to repair it.

## 10. TELEPHONE BOX

It was **AGREED** that the notice in the telephone box in The Street will be removed and the Clerk will add to the leaflet that this telephone box is in use as an ideal for emergency calls.

## 11. HORNSEA PROJECT

Cllr. Hill reported that most of the work has been completed and the area reinstated. The remainder will be completed shortly. The signs will not be removed until all the work has been completed.

## 12. ASSET MAINTENANCE

- 12.1 **Annual Inspection of Assets:-** Cllrs. Mills and Cunningham will be carrying out the maintenance on the two benches and this matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 12.2 **War Memorial:-** The Clerk has written to the contractor concerning the flaking but to date has not received a reply and she will chase accordingly.

**13. ANNUAL POLICY REVIEW**

**13.1 Privacy Promise:-** No amendments.

**13.2 Freedom of Information:-** No amendments.

**14. CORRESPONDENCE**

Norfolk ALC – Various – Circulated. Noted.

King Charles III England Coast Path- Circulated. Noted.

**15. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

Newsletter.

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was noted as Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 6.00 pm at The Reading Room, Kelling.

**There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.51 pm.**

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**Chairman**

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**Date**

## September Distract Cllr report

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### Local Government Reform

NNDC Cllrs meet on September 24th to vote on the new structure for local government proposed by NNDC. This for three Unitaries (which are district and county councils combined)- East, West and Greater Norwich. North Norfolk will be in the East. Each of these Unitaries will be about 300k residents. There will be costs associated with the change, but savings are forecast for the future. The advantages of three Unitaries over one or two (one is the County Council's and two South Norfolk's proposals) are more focus on people and place and the uniqueness of each area. There will be better Democratic representation with one Unitary (though it won't be as good as it is now with about half as many Cllrs). Against all this, is the need to split up the statutory services currently provided by County into three Unitaries - these are Adult and Children's services, education, special needs etc - and how viable this will be. Details on the proposal can be found at <https://www.futurenorfolk.com>. If anyone has strong views, please do get in touch with me as I'm looking for a community steer!

The Government will then decide which model they prefer out of the one, two and three Unitaries.

### New local plan

You have till Wednesday to submit your comments on the last stage of the consultation for the new Local Plan which will determine our planning policies till 2040. The webpage for comments is <https://northnorfolk-consult.objective.co.uk/kse/>. The most relevant changes for us are the new site allocation in Blakeney to the west of the Langham Road and the inclusion of Weybourne as a growth village.

### Pharmabox

I've asked again about how we can make it easier for people with bulky prescriptions to get their meds, given the Pharmabox can only cope with packages up to a certain size. The practice says it's not possible to split meds into more than one package. There aren't enough slots and they are at capacity already.

However, they have agreed that residents who are struggling physically to use the box, and also struggle to get to Kelling, may be eligible for home delivery - as even if not clinically housebound, these residents may fall into their most vulnerable category.

If you're in this group, you can fill in an online form summarising why you are finding it difficult to use the Box and what alternative would help the most; or you can call Reception and leave a message for Amy Pardon explaining the difficulties you are having using the Box - and Amy will return your call to discuss.

They have asked if possible to wait to call the practice until the end of September as the flu and covid campaign is about to kick off and there may be delays in answering the phones.

### 5G

I've been trying to find out why mobile connectivity is so much poorer recently. Apparently, it's due to the 3G switch off as 4G is limited in capacity and can't take the volume of calls. Vodafone have told me - and I need to find out whether it's the same for other providers - we need to wait for 5G which is due 28/29! This is too far in the future. Vodafone also tell me they are planning a satellite based Service to be rolled out in 26/27 which 'will eliminate the majority of remaining mobile not spots across the UK.' I need to find out more about this. It'll be interesting to see if 4G connectivity improves now there are fewer visitors around.

### Emergency Ambulance Response Times

We met with the Ambulance Trust to discuss emergency ambulance response times. At a high level, it appears that NR23 times are improved (probably due to the cycle paramedic in Wells) but NR25 haven't. It sounds as if we're keeping the cycle paramedic in Wells but we need to look in more details as to what's happening in NR25. Community First Responder numbers are up which is brilliant as these dedicated volunteers are an absolute necessity.

### Commercial Food Waste Collection

Commercial food waste collection began in August. The food will be anaerobically digested, producing natural gas which feeds into the grid and a nutrient rich fertiliser as a by product. Domestic food waste collections will begin 2026.

### Street Trading policy review

NNDC is consulting on street trading licences which inform where you can and can't sell on streets in North Norfolk. Check out the NNDC website to find more or click on <https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/news/2025/july/street-trading-policy-review-opens/>

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## August DC report

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### From NNDC

#### 'Planning

The new local plan is out for its final consultation. The proposed main modifications ( the changes advised by the Inspector after the first round of consultation, not the plan in its entirety) are available at:

<https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/media/11543/schedule-of-proposed-main-modifications-august-2025.pdf>

All the new local plan documents are available at:

<https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/info/planning-policy/local-plan-examination-local-plan-examination-library/1-examination-documents-published-after-submission/main-modifications-consultation>

The closing date for comments is 17th September. Don't forget this is your last chance to input your views.

#### Leisure

Building of the new Fakenham swimming pool will start October 25 and end Oct 26.

#### Environment

Commercial food waste collection has begun. The food waste will be anaerobically digested creating natural gas which feeds into the grid and a nutrient rich fertiliser as any product.'

#### Landline switch

Those who are worried about the switch from the old copper landlines to the new fibre ones, or those who have additional needs - are over 75, don't have a mobile or no or poor mobile coverage, have medical issues or a telecare device - can register for extra help from BT/EE or whomever provides your telephone service.

It has been pointed out that the number I gave for contacting BT/EE wasn't working.

The alternative number is now 0330 1234 150 for BT (or 0330 123 1105 for EE - same service)

If you ring this number, select option 2, then 1, then 1, then 3. This should get you to an advisor who will run through your needs. You may need your account number to hand to validate your call. If necessary, an engineer will be sent out to your home to set you up for the switch if that is still the correct solution.

UK call centres are open 8am – 9pm Monday to Friday and 8am – 8pm Saturday and Sunday.

You can register your additional needs as well using this form without having to call: [Register Additional Needs](#)

#### Fire prevention

If you're interested in learning more about fire prevention and fire safety in your home, and think you're at greater risk from a fire ( if you have home oxygen or are in a wheelchair for example), you can request a home fire safety visit from the Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service.

The initial step is to fill in an online application:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/firesafetycheck>

If you are assessed as medium or high risk, you will be offered a home fire safety visit. This is useful, as not only will you be offered helpful advice, but if necessary you will be registered as needing priority help in the event of a fire.

#### Fakenham Out of Hours GP coverage

I met with the Out of Hours provider about the limited number of patients being seen at the Fakenham Out of Hours base. There isn't a GP or nurse there anymore, but if you require a GP or nurse appointment I'm told you can request to be seen in Fakenham and I am told they will accommodate you. I'll be interested to hear if that is in fact the case. It's a long drive to North Walsham or Dereham otherwise.

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## DC report July, many thanks

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## De Report July

From NNDC

### 'Democratic Services

The Town & Parish Council Forum will restart in the autumn, This is an opportunity for T&PCllrs and clerks to engage with NNDC officers.

### Coast

NNDC will be working with local communities, including Weybourne, to look at ways to better plan for and adapt to coastal erosion. Topics include how/if to transition housing, local facilities, housing inland.

### Leisure

Holt Country Park, Pretty Corner and Sadlers Woods have again been awarded Green Flag status which means they meet requirements such as conservation of biodiversity, environmental management and be easily accessed. Cromer, East Runton, Mundesley, Sea Palling, Sheringham and West Runton beaches have all been awarded Blue Flag status which reflects good environmental management and safety standards. There are only 70 Blue Flag sea beaches in England.

### Planning

The government wants to combine district and county councils to increase efficiency and save money. Proposals from the current 7 District Norfolk Councils and the County Council are due to government by the end of September and a decision expected early 26.

There is a consultation running till 1st August on the NNDC website <https://www.futurenorfolk.com/have-your-say>.

The new Local Plan will be going out again for public consultation for six weeks in August-September. The additional site allocation to the west of Langham Road in Blakeney is still being put forward, as is Weybourne as a small growth village. This consultation will be the final opportunity to have a say on Planning Policy in North Norfolk for the foreseeable future, so I encourage you to participate.

There will no longer be funding for the development of Neighbourhood Plans which is unfortunate.

### Benefits

Don't forget we have just over £100k to help residents with tenancies and homelessness. Do get in touch if this money would be helpful.

There are 2123 households on the housing list: 22% have the most urgent need. Homelessness is still a problem with 46 accepted as homeless April to June. The majority move into social housing.

There were 59 households in temporary accommodation as of June 30th. NNDC has 27 units of temporary accommodation and is purchasing 6 more as they are far more acceptable than nightly bed and breakfast.

£255k has been spent on housing adaptations to improve accessibility of homes. Typical works are adaptations to showers, widening of doorways for a wheelchair or the installation of a stairlift.

There will be further funding for insulation, low carbon heating and solar panels for qualifying households.

If you have any questions regarding benefits or housing, please do get in touch.

### Environment and waste

Food waste collection will start autumn 2026, depending on the delivery of the new food waste vehicles.

There appears to have been an uptick in missed bin collections- please contact me if you are having any issues.

### Finance

The final outturn for 24-25 is a £622k surplus. This change from the previously predicted loss is due to improved income, and reduced employee and supplies and services budgets.

A small grants scheme has been established this summer for street and town centre support, 'North Norfolk High streets Matter'. Fakenham is one of the recipients.

There is a consultation on street trading.'

### Anglian Water

Sewage overflows in our area in 2025 to date are only 1.5 hrs and only in Melton. Additional phosphorous removal schemes to improve water quality will be installed at treatment centres on chalk streams, including Langham. Additional nitrogen removal is being added in certain treatment works- I think the closest is Briston. Water pressure is a problem in some places. This needs to be reported to AW on a case-by-case basis so they can investigate and amend. The contact number is 0800771881.

### Digital switchover

By January 2027 your current landline phone calls will be made digitally over the broadband network instead of the old copper lines. Unlike landlines, digital phone calls won't work in a power cut (whilst mobiles do). If you want to keep your landline just as it is that is possible but you have to let BT know on 08001234150 as soon as possible to get the help you need. Also, if you don't have a mobile for power cuts, need support with a Telecare device or would like some advice on how to deal with this switchover, please do contact BT or get in touch with me.

### GP out of hours provision at Fakenham

I am hoping to meet with the OOH provider to ascertain why there seems no weekend out of hours cover in Fakenham. At the moment the closest OOH base is in North Walsham which is a long drive if you're poorly.

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