

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
7th January, 2026 at 7.30 p.m, in Wimbish Village Hall

Present: Edward Browne, Phil Northern, Gareth Jones, Ray Searle, Lynne Ward-Booth and Fiona Hutchings.

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk) and Martin Foley

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1.	Apologies for Absence:	
2.	Councillors to declare pecuniary interests: None	
3.	Public Participation (15 minutes): None	
4.	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 7th January, 2025:	
5.	District Councillor and County Councillor Report: <u>District Councillor:</u> No report sent. <u>County Councillor:</u> The Local Plan has been approved by the Inspector and it just needs to be ratified through the Full District Council meeting. UDC should make their net zero targets.	
6.	Matters arising a) Commonland discussions: A grant has been received from UDC for £ 833?? Fiona Hutchings to move the project forward. b) Cole End Lane Solar Farm discussion about Community Benefit: Clerk to chase up the documents to sign. c) Website/email addresses: Gareth and Ray to sign up.	
7.	Planning a) Applications: <u>UTT/26/0106/HHF 5 Rayments Bungalow, Top Road</u> PROPOSAL: First floor extension, ground floor extension and replacement garage (amendments to scheme approved under planning permission UTT/25/2999/HHF) <u>PC Decision:</u> No objections b) Decisions: None c) Southview appeal has been dismissed.	
8.	Roads, Highways and Footpaths: a) Speed Limit B184/Thaxted Road: Chase up slow signs on the road.	

9.	Accounts		
	a) Approval of payments		
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	Tracy Coston (February)	£	293.42
	British Gas Pavilion Electricity	£	13.23
	HMRC	£	220.00
	Edward Browne (Work at Lucy May field and drainage)	£	1,440.00
	Total	£	1,966.65
	b) Appointment of new internal auditor: Signed up. £ 225.00		
10.	Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:		
	a) Playground maintenance: Hedge cut up the drive. Carver Barracks – Brooklands Garage to Abbots. South side of road		
	b) Football goals: Remove the old goals, remind the Football Teams.		
	c) Flood damage to the pavilion – Insurance update: The water tank in the loft has leaked and caused water damage. The PC has had the building assessed by the insurance and they have found asbestos in the ceiling which has to be removed. The PC are going to get quotes.		
11.	General Correspondence:		
	a) Parking by the football club and other residents: Remind the teams that they can park at the Village Hall. Don't park in Ravencroft and trying to stagger the matches and car spare.		
12.	Area Report:		
	a) Katie Chapman: Taken over from Becky Tomlin		
13.	Date of the next Parish Council Meeting:		
	The date of the next Parish meeting is Wednesday 4 th March, 2026 at 7.30pm		

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

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Date

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