

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
3rd December, 2025 at 7.30 p.m., in Wimbish Village Hall

Present: Edward Browne, Phil Northern, Gareth Jones, Mike Young, Ray Searle and Fiona Hutchings.

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk)

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1.	Apologies for Absence: Lynne Ward-Booth, Stewart Luck, Martin Foley.	
2.	Councillors to declare pecuniary interests: Edward Browne declared a pecuniary interest in UTT/25/3044/FUL Land at Top Road.	
3.	Public Participation (15 minutes): None.	
4.	Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 5th November, 2025: The previously circulated minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.	
5.	District Councillor and County Councillor Report: Report sent from County Councillor.	
6.	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>a) Commonland discussions: Two grant funding applications have been submitted for the Beetle Cottages. Carver Barracks have offered some logs which can be stored at Lucy May field. Some photos of the ponds in the Parish have been taken. Affinity Water have to spend money on public access ponds. A grant has been applied for allotments at Lucy May field from UDC.</p> <p>b) Cole End Lane Solar Farm discussion about Community Benefit: The Clerk has sent a response to Low Carbon asking for the yearly payment.</p> <p>c) Website/email addresses: All Councillors to set up their email address asap.</p>	
7.	<p>Planning</p> <p>a) Applications: <u>UTT/25/3131/HHF Minerva House, Roman Road</u> Proposed single and two storey rear extensions and installation of weatherboard cladding to existing front and rear facades <u>PC Decision:</u> No objections.</p> <p><i>Edward Browne declared a pecuniary interest and left the room during the discussion.</i></p> <p><u>UTT/25/3044/FUL Land at Top Road</u> Ino. self-build with associated landscaping, parking and access</p>	

	<p>PC Decision: No objections UTT/25/3042/HHF Pandemonium, Thaxted Road Proposed two storey side extension, with single storey extension to replace existing conservatory. PC Decision: No objections.</p> <p>b) Decisions: None</p>																	
8.	<p>Roads, Highways and Footpaths:</p> <p>a) Speed Limit B184/Thaxted Road: Mike Young to chase up ECC Highways via Martin Foley.</p> <p>b) Clearance of footpath in Howlett End agreement with landowner: An email has been sent to the owner of the field informing him to contact ECC Highways and discuss the location of the footpath.</p>																	
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	<p>b) Charitable donations to UDC Foodbank and Touchpoint: The PC agreed to donate £200.00 to UDC Foodbank and £ 250.00 to Uttlesford Citizens Advice. They did not agree to donate to Touchpoint at this time.</p>																	
10.	<p>Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance:</p> <p>a) Playground maintenance: Ray Searle and Edward Browne have checked the play area.</p> <p>b) Football goals: The Football Club has asked to remove the goals that are not being used.</p> <p>c) Fly tipping on the recreation ground: The PC agreed to keep a watch on the situation.</p> <p>d) Mr & Mrs Corke: Will be asked to cut back their hedge as it is growing out into the recreation ground driveway.</p>																	
11.	<p>General Correspondence:</p> <p>a) Overgrown hedge at Debden Drive: The barracks are going to organise for the hedge to be cut back by their maintenance team. Carver Barracks will also be asked to cut back the hedge opposite New House Farm.</p>																	

12.	<p>Area Report:</p> <p>a) Rubbish on Top Road: An email has been received about an increase in rubbish along Top Road, but the PC cannot prove that it is the consequence of the water repairs.</p> <p>b) Litterpick: The litterpick will take place on Sunday 22nd March.</p> <p>c) VAS signs: The PC will discuss additional VAS signs at the next meeting.</p>	
13.	<p>Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: The date of the next Parish meeting is Wednesday 7th January, 2026 at 7.30pm</p>	

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Signed

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