

Wimbish Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
4th March, 2026 at 7.30 p.m. in Wimbish Village Hall

Present: Edward Browne, Phil Northern, Mike Young, Gareth Jones, Ray Searle and Lynne Ward-Booth

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk) and Stewart Luck

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| 1. | Apologies for Absence: Fiona Hutchings, Martin Foley | |
| 2. | Councillors to declare pecuniary interests: None | |
| 3. | Public Participation (15 minutes): Football parking: A local residents thanked the PC for addressing the parking issues with the football club. Pond specialists: There is a company that are renting a unit at Pickneys and would like to enhance it for the community. The PC's contact details have been given to the company. | |
| 4. | Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 4th February, 2026: The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair. | |
| 5. | District Councillor and County Councillor Report: <u>District Councillor:</u> Report given. | |
| 6. | Matters arising a) Commonland discussions: The PC are still waiting for a response from Land Registry. b) Cole End Lane Solar Farm discussion about Community Benefit: The contract hasn't been received for signing. Clerk to chase up with Low Carbon. c) Website/email addresses: All to be set up this month. | |
| 7. | Planning a) Applications: UTT/26/0463/FUL Barn opposite the Old Post Office PROPOSAL: S73A part retrospective application for the demolition of an agricultural building. Proposed erection of single dwelling with associated operational development and landscaping works (Material variation to earlier part implemented scheme under UTT/23/2654/FUL) b) Decisions: None | |
| 8. | Roads, Highways and Footpaths: a) Speed Limit B184/Thaxted Road/30mph roundels on the road: Mike Young is waiting for a response from ECC Highways about the speed sign being incorrectly position in Howlett End. <u>Approach to Gunters Corner:</u> Two new chevron signs have been put up but | |

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| | they are small and do not reflect and it isn't clear at all. The PC agreed to write to Highways to state that the signs and bad quality and too small. b) Public Path Extinguishment Order - Footpath 70: There have been an extension for responses until 5 th March, 2026. The PC will send a response and Edward Browne will attend the hearing. | |
| 9. | Accounts | |
| | a) Approval of payments | |
| | Receipts | |
| | Uttlesford Grant (Zero Carbon) | £ 866.30 |
| | Total receipts | £ 866.30 |
| | Payments | |
| | Tracy Coston (March) | £ 293.42 |
| | British Gas Pavilion Electricity | £ 354.68 |
| | Castle Water | £ 2.77 |
| | Ray Seale (Grips) | £ 80.00 |
| | Mr Andrew Basham (Beetle hotel) | £ 156.00 |
| | Total | £ 886.87 |
| | b) Assertion 10 training report: The Clerk attended Assertion 10 training and the PC has to have an IT Policy, Councillor email addresses, and accessible website and privacy statements on the website. | |
| 10. | Pavilion and Recreation Ground Maintenance: | |
| | a) Playground maintenance: Edward Browne will carry out some welding on the play house and mend the seesaw seat. | |
| | b) Football goals: The football club have been reminded to remove the goals asap. | |
| | c) Flood damage to the pavilion – Insurance update: The insurance company have approved the quote from Built Vitae for stripping out the pavilion and refitting the pavilion. The drying work will be completed by Polygon. | |
| | d) Hedge: The recreation ground hedge up the drive has been cut. | |
| 11. | General Correspondence: None. | |
| 12. | Area Report: | |
| | a) Litter pick: 22nd March: The litterpick will take place on 22 nd March and tea and cake will be provided by the Clerk, The PC agreed to paid for the expenses for the litterpick. | |
| 13. | Date of the next Parish Council Meeting: The date of the next Parish meeting is Wednesday 1 st April, 2026 at 7.30pm | |

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm.

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