

STRADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

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COUNCILLORS ARE SUMMONED and THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND the ORDINARY MEETING of the PARISH COUNCIL which is to be held in THE COURT HOUSE, QUEEN STREET, STRADBROKE on MONDAY, 9th FEBRUARY 2026, COMMENCING AT 7.30pm

Dated this 4th day of February 2026

O Wladon Clerk to the Council

***THIS MEETING MAY BE BROADCAST LIVE AND RECORDED.
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS WHO WISH TO SPEAK IN THE PUBLIC FORUM ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND.
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ANYONE SPEAKING AT THE MEETING WILL HAVE DEEMED TO HAVE GIVEN CONSENT TO BEING RECORDED.***

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AGENDA

Item Ref	Description
26.02.01	Chairman's welcome
26.02.02	Apologies for Absence (a) Councillors to receive any apologies for absence. (b) Councillors to vote on acceptance of any apologies received.
26.03.03	Declarations of Interests Councillors to declare interests in subsequent agenda items as follows: (a) Pecuniary Interests (b) Other registerable interests (c) Non-registerable interests
26.02.04	Dispensations: To receive any requests for dispensations.
26.02.05	Councillor vacancies: No applications for co-option have been received.
26.02.06	Minutes: Councillors to review and approve the minutes as a true record of the business conducted at the meeting held on 12 th January 2026.
26.02.07	Updates from Councillors/Committees/Clerk (a) Updates from Committees: no meetings since last full Council meeting. (b) Update for Broadband working group: to receive an update (c) Councillors with specific responsibilities: i. Youth Voice – RA/KL ii. Climate Change – TW iii. SALC – TW iv. Bus transport - TW (d) Training – to receive any updates on training booked or attended. (e) Action taken by the Clerk.
26.02.08	District & County Councillors: Councillors to raise any questions on submitted reports.

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26.02.09	<p>Public forum: Councillors to receive questions or comments from the public on agenda items.</p>
26.02.10	<p>Planning</p> <p>(a) Councillors to determine a response to the following planning consultations: DC/25/05422 – Reconsultation: Application for consent to display an advertisement – retention of large black and white aluminium and PVC illuminated backlit sign 14 wide and 4.5m high showing Skinners brand name and design. Roger Skinner Ltd, Queen Street IP21 5HL DC/25/05398 – Listed building consent: repair or replace roof tiles woodwork and chimneys. High House, Wilby Road. DC/26/00137 Listed building consent: retrospective application for replacement windows in front elevation (like for like replacement) and replacement of modern double glazed timber windows on rear elevation to match those at the front. Passmore Weeks and Richardson, Church Street</p> <p>(b) Councillors to note the outcome of the following planning applications determined by MSDC: DC/25/04640 – Listed building: Grove Farm, Queen Street GRANTED DC/25/04030 – Grove Farm, Queen Street DC/25/03449 – Hepwood Logdge, Wilby Road. Discharge of conditions 8, 9 & 10</p> <p>(c) Other Planning matters DC/26/00097 – Application for lawful development certificate. This is being considered by officers at Mid Suffolk District Council. Mulberry Lodge, Laxfield Road.</p>
26.02.11	<p>Finance <u>Monthly accounts</u> - Councillors to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. note account balances at 31st Janaury2026. ii. approve the payments as per the schedule prepared by the Clerk including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Payments already made in month to fulfil contractual obligations • Payments to be made after meeting iii. note receipts in January 2026
26.02.12	<p>Updates on Council Projects</p> <p>(a) <u>Pedestrian/Highways Safety Project</u>: To receive an update on the following project areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. SIDs ii. 20mph iii. Waiting restrictions – to include consultation comments received by SCC. <p>(b) <u>Pedestrian crossing points</u>: to receive any update</p> <p>(c) <u>Neighbourhood Plan review</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft Neighbourhood Plan Review has been prepared and is being reviewed by the Steering Group and LUC. • Recommendation is that the Parish Council does not proceed with a design code, as it would only be relevant to the additional site being included as the 3 sites being carried forward already have some form of planning permission. • A Housing Needs Survey is not required as the Housing Mix policy has not been changed. • The Parish Council will need to fund any strategic environmental assessment work – this will cost approximately £10,000 – the CIL funds set aside for design code

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	<p>work could be used instead.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provisional date for launching Plan Review consultation: 23rd March 2026, suggested date for Annual Village Meeting – Thursday, 26th March 2026 which would include a presentation on the review. <p>(d) <u>Tennis Courts</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grant from Mid Suffolk District Council has been accepted. • Discussions are taking place about the improved lighting works, which are to be funded by the Tennis Club. • Negotiations are underway as to when the resurfacing works will commence. • The solicitor working on the lease has advised that the cost has increased. Recommendation is that the Parish Council contributes £1,000 to the cost (up from £750). <p>(e) <u>Clock</u>: Winding mechanism is complete and the chimes will be reconnected. Work on the clock face has been delayed due to the weather.</p> <p>(f) <u>Playing field safety & security</u>: Works have not yet been ordered and a meeting to review the compound size has yet to be arranged.</p> <p>(g) <u>Chapel</u>: No update for this meeting.</p> <p>(h) <u>Play equipment</u>: Recommendation that a discussion on what to include to replace the piece of equipment recently removed from Westhall takes place with members of the public at the Annual Village Meeting. Direct discussions with the pupils at the primary school can take place during school time.</p>
26.02.13	Policies and Council protocols and documents for approval or review: None
26.02.14	Playing field: To review and discuss the matter of dogs on the playing field at Wilby Road.
26.02.15	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>(a) Tabled: Councillors to note and agree actions for correspondence tabled at the meeting.</p> <p>(b) Emails: Councillors to note correspondence previously circulated - SALC bulletins</p>
26.02.16	<p>Next meeting: Monday, 9th March 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for submission of agenda items & papers to the Clerk – Friday, 27th February. • Dates for meetings to May 2026: 13th April 2026 11th May 2026 (Annual meeting)