

## 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, 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026, COMMENCING AT 7.30pm**

Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> 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.  
RECORDINGS MAY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR REPEATED VIEWING/LISTENING.  
ANYONE SPEAKING AT THE MEETING WILL HAVE DEEMED TO HAVE GIVEN CONSENT TO BEING RECORDED.***

Documents to support agenda items can be viewed on the Parish Council website on the "documents" page. All documentation on current planning applications can be viewed on the planning page of Mid Suffolk District Council's website.

### AGENDA

Item Ref	Description
26.03.01	<b>Chairman's welcome</b>
26.03.02	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> (a) Councillors to receive any apologies for absence. (b) Councillors to <b>vote</b> on acceptance of any apologies received.
26.03.03	<b>Declarations of Interests</b> Councillors to declare interests in subsequent agenda items as follows: (a) Pecuniary Interests (b) Other registerable interests (c) Non-registerable interests
26.03.04	<b>Dispensations:</b> To receive any requests for dispensations.
26.03.05	<b>Councillor vacancies:</b> No applications for co-option have been received.
26.03.06	<b>Minutes:</b> Councillors to review and <b>approve</b> the minutes as a true record of the business conducted at the meeting held on 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026.
26.03.07	<b>Updates from Councillors/Committees/Clerk</b> (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.
26.03.08	<b>District &amp; County Councillors:</b> Councillors to raise any questions on submitted reports.

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26.03.09	<p><b>Public forum:</b> Councillors to receive questions or comments from the public on <b>agenda items</b>.</p>
26.03.10	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>(a) Councillors to determine a response to the following planning consultation: <b>DC/26/00349</b> – Listed building consent – reinstating internal partition walls. Low Farm, Pixey Green.</p> <p>(b) Councillors to note the outcome of the following planning application determined by MSDC: <b>DC/25/05442</b> – Five Oaks, Fressingfield Road. Discharge of conditions 3 (bat licence), 4 (dust management plan), 7 (biodiversity enhancement plan), 8 (materials), 9 (flood evacuation) and 11 (cycle storage)</p> <p>(c) Other Planning matters</p>
26.03.11	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>(a) <u>Monthly accounts</u> - Councillors to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. note account balances at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026.</li> <li>ii. <b>approve</b> the payments as per the schedule prepared by the Clerk including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payments already made in month to fulfil contractual obligations</li> <li>• Payments to be made after meeting</li> </ul> </li> <li>iii. note receipts in February 2026</li> </ol> <p>(b) Councillors to note a VAT reclaim will be submitted for the period ending 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026</p> <p>(c) Councillors to note that SCC has been informed that the Parish Council will continue with the current arrangement for footpath cutting, ie that Parish Council receives grant from SCC and arranged the cuts as per the agreed budget.</p> <p>(d) Councillors to note that MSDC have advised that the cost of emptying the bins will rise on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 from £50 per bin to £51.50 per bin. This is still a subsidised rate as the true cost to MSDC is £175 per bin.</p>
26.03.12	<p><b>Updates on Council Projects</b></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"> <li>i. SIDs</li> <li>ii. 20mph</li> <li>iii. Waiting restrictions</li> </ol> <p>(b) <u>Pedestrian crossing points</u>: to receive any update</p> <p>(c) <u>Neighbourhood Plan review</u>: Preparations are underway for the launch of the Regulation 14 consultation on the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review</p> <p>(d) <u>Tennis Courts</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillors to agree who will be signing the lease on behalf of the Council and complete the forms accordingly.</li> <li>• Upgraded lighting has been ordered.</li> <li>• Other matters to be discussed in closed session at the end of the meeting.</li> </ul> <p>(e) <u>Clock</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chimes will be reconnected soon – possibly, 10<sup>th</sup> March.</li> <li>• No update has been received on when clock face work will be completed.</li> </ul> <p>(f) <u>Playing field safety &amp; security</u>: Works have not yet been ordered and a meeting to review the compound size has yet to be arranged.</p>

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	(g) <u>Chapel</u> : No update for this meeting. (h) <u>Play equipment</u> : No update available for this meeting.
<b>26.03.13</b>	<b>Policies and Council protocols and documents for approval or review:</b> None for this meeting.
<b>26.03.14</b>	<b>Correspondence:</b> (a) Tabled: Councillors to note and <b>agree</b> actions for correspondence tabled at the meeting. (b) Emails: Councillors to note correspondence previously circulated - SALC bulletins
<b>26.03.15</b>	<b>Next meeting:</b> Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 Deadline for submission of agenda items & papers to the Clerk – Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April.  Reminder that the <b>Annual Village Meeting</b> will take place on Thursday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 at the Community Centre – start time 7pm
<b>26.03.16</b>	<b>Closed session</b> (a) Councillors to vote on a proposal to review this item in closed session in accordance with the Public bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confirmation nature of the business to be discussed. (b) To agree on a way forward for financial matters regarding the tennis court upgrade project, including quote review.