

Widdington Parish Council

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 5th February 2026 at 7:30pm

Present Cllr. Albert Edwards, Cllr. Fiona Watson, Cllr. Liz Follows.

In Attendance 4 members of the public, and Katrina Levy, Clerk to the Council.

02.26.01 ELECTION OF MEETING CHAIR: Cllr. Albert Edwards nominated by Cllr. Watson, seconded by Cllr. Follows, agreed by majority.

02.26.02 CHAIR'S WELCOME

Chair Albert Edwards welcomed those present to the meeting.

02.26.03 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Ian Southcott, Cllr. Chris Firmin, Cllr. Maggs Webb

02.26.04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

02.26.05 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Speed limit through the village on high street and towards Wood End. Day fire brigade had pumped the flood water, van had been stranded from 6am until 4pm near Bridge meadows and had no lights as it was getting dark, worry from land owners on how to help keep this area safe as road is too fast. Landowner have offered to monitor the ditches in the area and help keep them clear. Youth centre broken mirror has been left for a time and needs to be removed, footpath 17 the footbridge repair has been completed. Trees from pudding stone down on left hand side need to be cut back. Does emergency plan include tradesmen?

2 members of public left the meeting.

02.26.06 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – None

02.26.07 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – None

02.26.08 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the January Parish Council Meeting were approved by Councillors as an accurate representation and Chair Edwards signed the minutes.

02.26.09 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported;

1. Precept demand submitted to UDC.
2. UTT/26/0003/DOC - Comments from WPC submitted
3. Contacted County Cllr. re bus contacts at company and ECC.
4. Contacted contractor re. hedge cut back near car park.
5. Ordered new battery and pads for defibrillator.
6. Responded to correspondence from residents.

01.26.10 PLANNING

01.26.10.1 Representation to [Uttlesford District Council](#) in response to planning applications and noted planning decisions arising since January Parish Council meeting - See Appendices for WPC resolved responses and noted decisions.

02.26.11 FINANCE

02.26.11.1 Invoices; The clerk presented a statement of accounts and reconciliation to cash books which were agreed and approved for signature.

Clerk Salary + Expenses	£445.11
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They were [approved for payment](#).

02.26.11.2 – discuss in March meeting.

02.26.12 CODE OF CONDUCT – Moved to March meeting.

02.26.13 VILLAGE EVENT – To discuss further at March meeting, village hall committee have offered to support WPC with any event held. Cllr. Follows proposed a large rounders match on the pub field based around other events.

02.26.14 FREEMAN OF THE PARISH – To be discussed further and decided at April Meeting.

02.26.15 301 BUS: Not currently a concern.

02.26.16 OTHER BUSINESS: Do the oak posts need replacing and repairing damage to the green need to happen, March agenda.

02.26.17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at **7:30pm** on **Thursday 5th March 2026**, in the Village Hall. :

Meeting closed at: 8:45pm

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Appendix: Planning details for minute reference 02.26.10.1

DD- determination deadline

Minute Number	Planning application Ref	Address	Outline	Deadline for comments	WPC decision	UDC Decision
02.26.10.1	UTT/26/0032/FUL	Land At Clare House Wood End	Erection of x1 dwelling	16/02/2026	Resolved to Object	
02.26.10.2	UTT/26/0050/TCA	Vine Cottage High Street CB11 3SG	Trim and reshape x1 Yew	DD 19/02/2026		Tree No Objections