

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 17<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER, 2025 AT 7:30pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs David Welsted (DW), Pete Bate (PB), and Timothy Birt (TB).

**In attendance:** DC Helen Crane, the clerk and 2 members of the public

**1206. To receive any apologies**

Cllr. KW

**1207. To accept any declaration(s) of interests**

None declared

**1208. To accept and sign the minutes of the Parish Council on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Cllr. PB proposed to accept the minutes, seconded by Cllr. TB and approved unanimously by all. Cllr. PB signed the minutes as accurate.

**1209. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting (not already included on the agenda)**

Cllr. DW raised the planning application for the travellers site on Otter Road. The deadline has passed but there is no decision from Breckland as of yet. Clerk to make sure that Ovington Parish Council's response has been logged.

**1210. District Councillor Reports**

DC Helen Crane and DC Pete Bate's reports are available on the website

**1211. Correspondence**

- Thank you letter from St John's Church, Ovington – All Councillors received the letter
- There was a letter from a resident regarding the drains outside the Church and fly tipping. There is currently a 4 inch pipe that appears to be blocked. Clerk to request Highways come assess the area.

**1212. No planning matters**

Nothing to discuss

**1213. Payment of Accounts and precept update**

- Payments Received  
None
- Payments made/to be made
  - Norwich Diocesan £625.00
  - Donation to Ovington PCC £ 50.00
  - Bank Service Charge (July/August) £ 8.50
  - Clerk Backpay £ 37.50
  - Clerk's expenses £ 22.48

Payments were agreed by all and Cllr. PB signed them as accurate

**1214. Update on the 20 is Plenty campaign**

Cllr. DW informed the Council that the campaign has stalled. Cllr. TB proposed to seek making the road through the village 20 mph. Clerk to research how to obtain this.

**1215. To discuss the Telephone box and decide on future renovation action to take**

It was agreed that Cllr. TB, DW and PB will meet and repair the wood on the base and the door. Painting might have to wait until the spring.

**1216. To discuss the OP Radium Trigger plan from the Police and decide what action to take if any**

There was a discussion over if this has occurred in the village before. Cllr. TB proposed to put note in Oracle. Seconded by Cllr. DW and approved unanimously.

**1217. Any Highways or Village Issues**

Nothing raised

**1218. Future Business**

Budget

Phone Box update

Future meeting dates

**1219. Adjournment for public participation**

A resident mentioned that when they had moved into the village the post box in Ovington wasn't accessible. They were advised to notify Norwich Post Office who responded in two weeks and replaced the Post Box.

**1220. Date of Next Meetings: 12th November, 2025**

**1221. To approve a motion to exclude the press and public for the next item as their presence would be prejudicial to public interest due to the confidential nature. In accordance with Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 (2)**

Cllr. DW proposed to approve the motion. Seconded by Cllr. TB and agreed unanimously.

The Chairman suspended the meeting at 19:57 to hold the Ovington Parish Trust Meeting

**Minutes to the Parish Trust Meeting are posted on the website**

Vice-chair PB brought the Parish Council meeting back into session

**1222. To discuss annual appraisal and consider annual salary review for the Clerk**

A decision was taken.

The meeting ended at 20:15