

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NORTH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

THURSDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2026 - held at 7.00pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Marshall-Grint (Chair), Border, Blood, Edwards, Scott, Hemeter, Harper and Thomas Parish Clerk Rachel Curtis

Bor Cllrs Paul Bland and Bor and County Cllr Simon Ring.

Four members of the public

1. To accept any apologies

Cllr Lamb – ill health, Cllr Blackmore – work commitments, Cllr Quick – holiday
Bor Cllr Richard Coates

2. Declarations of Interest of Items within this agenda - None

3. To agree the Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 5th January 2026

These minutes were agreed and signed by Cllr Marshall-Grint.

4. Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes –

4a) – The Clerk spoke about Assertion 10 and confirmed which Councillors still needed to set up their new email accounts and acknowledged that there had been some technical issues with the change of emails and that NALC were aware. Despite the challenges the PC is actively working towards compliance.

5. Law and Order –to hear any issues and updates from the PCSO & Police Liaison

Cllr Hemeter represented the PC at the recent meeting on 19th January which was well attended. It was acknowledged by the beat managers that they are understaffed to cover such a large area. Matters raised included speeding in villages and PC's were encouraged to set up speedwatch groups to tackle this. Non urgent crimes should be reported online. Youths on motorised bikes using the cycle path on Wootton Park have been reported.

6. Open Forum

6a) – Cllr Bland said the Borough had met to discuss the provision of cemetery land.

6b) Following the government's decision to postpone the election of Norfolk County Councillors this year, Cllr Ring confirmed his intention to resign as County Councillor pending the outcome of the reform challenge. The outcome of budget setting means less money in the three year funding strategy. The recent street artwork which appeared in Kings Lynn has been confirmed as not being done by the artist Banksy.

6c) Residents reported that the Luco Wellness business is not adhering to its planning conditions and they have raised concerns with the Enforcement Team at the Borough. Issues include operating before and after the conditioned session times and operating without the 30 minute interval between sessions. Conditions around parking have also been ignored. Cllr Ring offered assurances that this is being looked at by the Enforcement Team and they are in contact with the business owner.

6d) There is a dead oak tree outside a residents property on Manor Road. The tree is on PC land, however the resident has asked permission to cut down to a manageable height, the PC agreed to this.

7. Correspondence -

7a) Scout and Guide Association - asking for a letter of support for their CIL

application to fund roof repairs and disabled toilet extension to the Scout and Guide Hall on Station Road. PC Agreed. ACTION: Clerk to send a letter of support.

8. Clerk to give an update on work undertaken to seek an alternative haulage route away from Manor Rd

Cllr Ring met with the NCC Highways Engineer on 7th January to look at the road, there is little NCC can do unless the road surface is damaged and needs attention. Anglian Water are responsible for their assets underneath the road. The Clerk confirmed that representatives of Eubrink Farms will attend the meeting on 5th March. It was acknowledged that this issue is a difficult one to find a resolution for all parties involved.

9. a) Finance – to agree the payment list presented at the meeting

The payments listed were agreed.

Nurture Landscape	753.19
Scout Hall Hire	40.00
Total Gas and Power - Oct	2,081.72
Total Gas and Power - Nov	2,293.68
Total Gas and Power - Dec	2,528.32
NALC - Domain Registration	67.20
R Curtis - Salary Feb 25	768.56
P Witt	72.99
Veolia - Jan 26	191.54
Lloyds Service Charge	4.25

39,122.20

Made up as follows

Lloyds Gold Deposit A/C (Easy Saver)	234.98
Lloyds Current A/C	68.57
Lloyds Treasurers Account	38,818.65

39,122.20

10. Highways – Nothing to report

11. Wootton Park Association

- Telemast installation – this will be installed shortly, starting with the base being laid which will need a month to set and then the mast will be brought in by crane.
- The planning application for the football club to place a shed next to the pavilion is progressing. The WPA are in discussion with the club to confirm financial responsibility for all aspects of this project.
- Picnic on the Park has been confirmed to take place on 6th June.

12. Street Lighting –
Nothing to report.

13. Planning

26/00118/F - Householder: Front porch extension to dwelling. at 7 Meadow Close – support.

Knights Hill

Cllr Bland reported he has made planning enforcement aware of some issues on the site build including working on a Saturday afternoon and Sunday, vehicles turning left from the works entrance and flooding of the Attenuation lake, flooding issues along Ullswater Ave.

Application decisions made by the Borough Council

25/01495/F – Change of use for domestic garden building to Pilates Studio |
Linnymead, Manor Road, PE30 3PZ - Approved

14. Village Hall

Cllr Harper reported on the continued success of events, although the beginning of the year has been quieter. An increase in pitch fees for the farmers markets and other events will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

A commercially sensitive matter relating to the village hall will be discussed after the meeting.

15. The Village

SAM 2 Report

SAM update for January 2026

Ling Common Rd (traffic CR-NW)

Volume: Daily 679 Peak 17:00-18:00

Speed: 85th 32.3mph Average 27.1mph

To give an update on the bus shelter project on All Saints Drive

The Clerk has signed the licence with the Borough Council and there are now some legalities for them to process. Able Engineering are ready to go with installation and as soon as confirmation is given to proceed from the Borough, the Clerk will inform the contractor to proceed.

16. Open Forum –

Nothing raised.

17. To confirm Items for Future Agenda

None at present.

The meeting finished at 8.05pm

Signed Date: 5th March 2026