Barford & Wramplingham Parish Council (BWPC)

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting

Meeting held on Tuesday 7th July 2026 at 7:30pm at Wramplingham Church

Members: Cllr Keith Waldron (KW) [Chair]
Cllr Jeremy Hyam
Cllr Sandra Betts (SB)
Cllr David Evans (DE)
Cllr Sara Harrold (SH)
Cllr Ian Irving (II)
Cllr Charlie Harrold (CH)

Present: JH, II, SB, DE, SH
Jimmy Miller (JM) (Clerk)
Two members of the public.

In attendance
Richard Elliott (RE), District Councillor.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

1. **Public Forum – maximum of 15 minutes for comments from members of the public**
Nothing was discussed.

2. **Report from County & District Councillor**
JH briefly summarised a report which had been sent from County Councillor, Malcolm Latarche (ML). One item of interest was the discontinuance of local members' funds to pay towards local highways improvements. ML said in his report that he may be able to assist financially with any local improvements which are put forward. JM will ask ML if there is any funding available for traffic calming measures along the B1108 in Barford.

RE had sent out a report a few days previous to the meeting. He was disappointed with the loss of money for local highways projects. He also mentioned food waste recycling.

3. **To receive and approve apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from KW and CH, and ML.

4. **Declarations of interest for items and applications for dispensations**
None.

5. **To approve minutes of meeting of 2nd June 2026**
JH proposed that the minutes be approved; seconded by DE; unanimous decision in favour. The minutes were duly initialled and dated by JH.

6. **To receive and note the Clerk's report**
The Clerk's report had been circulated to councillors a few days previous to the meeting. The Clerk gave a brief outline of what was in the report.

7. Planning

a) Applications received

None.

b) Applications received since 2nd July 2026

None.

(c) Planning decisions

2026/1510

46 Chapel Street Barford Norfolk NR9 4AB
Details for conditions 2 - Facing Materials & 8 - Archaeology Report of permission 2021/1293
Decision by SNDC: Approval of details - Approved (Delegated)

2026/1644

Bungalow Farm Chapel Street Barford Norfolk NR9 4BJ
Two new general purpose buildings for storage of machinery, hay and straw for existing livestock enterprises
Decision by SNDC: Prior Approval not Required

(d) Planning Decisions received since 2nd July 2026

2026/1474
1 The Bowers The Street Wramplingham Norfolk NR18 0RU
T1- rear garden of No.1 - #231 - Prunus cerasifera - Reduce NE section of crown by no more than 1.5m to clear overhead BT wires. Finishing height of no less than 6.5m.
Decision by SNDC: No objections (Delegated)

Correspondence – To consider and respond to the following correspondence:

The correspondence list was noted.

8. Finance

a) To note Bank Reconciliations and Accounts

JH proposed that the bank reconciliation and accounts be noted and approved; seconded by II; unanimous decision in favour. JH duly initialled and dated the bank reconciliation and accounts.

b) To approve the following items for payment:

Payee	Item	Amount
J. Miller	Salary for July 2026	£419.23
J. Miller	Home office July 2026	£13.00
J. Miller	Mileage (meeting July 2026)	£21.60
J. Miller	Printing	£1.20
Collective Community Planning	Advice on Neighbourhood Plan	£1,050.00
Zurich	Insurance	£486.16

JH proposed that the payments be approved; seconded by DE; unanimous decision in favour.

c) To approve payment of invoices received since 2nd July 2026
None.

9. To consider awarding a grant to Barford Village Hall

JH said that a request for a grant towards repairs at the village hall had been received

JH proposed grant of £2,000 to the village hall for repairs to the village hall; SH seconded; unanimous decision in favour of the proposal. II agreed on the proviso that the village hall committee may come back for an additional grant at a later date.

10. Rental of Land Off Marlingford Road

The Clerk said that according to his records, the three year tenancy agreement ended on had ended on 31st March 2026. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the tenant to clarify the situation.

11. To consider possible traffic calming measures for the B1108 in Barford

This was covered in the public forum.

12. To consider contract to regularly clean Barford bus shelter

SB suggested three cleans per year every four months at £40 per clean. The Clerk said he'd contact the person who'd quoted and see if this was acceptable.

13 A47 Local Liaison Group update and collaboration with other local parishes

SH and JH both made clear that they wanted a joint approach towards issues regarding closures on the A47. There was disappointment that the local liaison group meetings were no longer being held.

14 Flooding issues to record

Nothing was discussed here.

15 Village issues to record

SB spoke about war memorial. BWPC thank Angela Timson who has paid for the war memorial repairs.

Regarding the countryside classroom, BWPC were concerned that buildings had been put up with no permission, that there were traffic issues down the private road where the countryside classroom is located, that a septic tank had been installed, that trees had been chopped down, that taxis had previously been blocking people's drives along the private road, and that the area floods. The Clerk said that he would pass these concerns on to SNDC.

16 Neighbourhood Plan

JH said that the Clerk had circulated the steering group meeting minutes from 29th June, that Louise Cornell had visited Barford & Wramplingham recently, and that the next steering group meeting was to be held on 30th July.

17 Review of annual work plan

The Clerk said that everything was on schedule.

18 Agenda items for meeting in September 2026

The Clerk will put out a call for agenda items before the next meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.33pm.

Date of next Parish Council meeting: 8th September 2026