



Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 24th September 2025 7.30pm

Sloley Methodist Church

Present: Phil Madeley (Chair), Leigh Rumsby (Vice Chair), Caroline Churchill, Rob Sadler, Tony Smith

Also present: Anne Tandy, Clerk to the Council and RFO

Members of the public: 2

1. The meeting was opened and apologies for absence were received from Stephanie Jones; personal
2. There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda or requests for dispensations.
3. The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 30th July 2025 were proposed as an accurate record of the meeting and approved. All agreed.
4. **Public Forum**
Nothing to report.
5. Matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda: for information only
 - a. The defibrillator is pending the outcome of investigations by the Methodist Church as to the installation.
 - b. Village Sign is pending enquiries into the access to funding.
 - c. The telephone box has now been converted into a library and residents are welcome to donate and/or borrow books. Donations to be dropped at 'Furioso' on the opposite side of the road to the phone box.
6. **Planning**
 - a. To consider next steps in the process of complaining about the decision process and hear feedback from discussions with Worstead Parish Council for planning application [PF/24/2474](#): Albert Bartlett. It was reported that a response had been received from North Norfolk District Council to the stage one complaint. It was considered that the response was woefully lacking. It was then proposed that with the Chairs of Sloley and Worstead consider a meeting with the Chief Executive of North Norfolk District Council to discuss matters and find a way forward. It was also proposed to escalate the original complaint to a stage 2. All agreed.
 - b. To note the planning decisions issued regarding:
 - i. [PF/25/1468](#) Pyghtle
 - ii. [PF/25/0738](#) Oak View
 - iii. [PF/25/1537](#) Sloley Hall
7. **Sloley Charities**

The expected application for a new Trustee has not been received. The matter was adjourned to the next meeting.

8. Reports

An update on Highways matters was reported. No responses received as yet. Drainage issues have also been raised. The recently fallen branch was cleared quickly and a thank you was expressed to those individuals who dealt with this.

9. Christmas Village Event

The options and funding for an activity for the community to attend for Christmas 2025 was discussed at length and it was proposed that a carol concert at St Bartholomew's Church be considered. The Clerk to contact the Diocese to establish availability of the Church.

10. Budget 2026/27

- a. The options for the style of white gates at Anchor Street were discussed and the preferred specifications will be referred to the design consultants at Norfolk County Council.
- b. There were no other projects brought forward for inclusion in the 2026/27 budget.

11. Accounts

- a. The bank reconciliation to 31st August 2025 was agreed. The total balance was: £5,680.74
- b. The NJC Pay settlement for 2025/26 and the imbursement of back dated pay was noted.
- c. The following payments for August/September 2025 were proposed and approved. The online authoriser will be Caroline Churchill:

Voucher	Date	Description	Supplier	Account name	Net	VAT	Total
56	31/08/2025	July 2025	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Service Charges	-6.00	0.00	-6.00
57	18/08/2025	Jul-25	HMRC PAYE	PAYE NI	-30.80	0.00	-30.80
58	28/08/2025	August 2025 - inc back payment	Anne Tandy	Clerks Salary	-236.87	0.00	-236.87
59	24/09/2025	Autumn Seminar (20%)	Norfolk Parish Training and Support	Training	-11.20	-2.24	-13.44
60	28/09/2025	September 2025	Anne Tandy	Clerks Salary	-256.55	0.00	-256.55
61	30/09/2025	August 2025	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Service Charges	-6.00	0.00	-6.00
62	24/09/2025	WAH/Travel expenses	Anne Tandy	Clerk's Expenses	-59.92	0.00	59.92

12. Correspondence

- Email from Worstead 5m runner thanking the village for turning out to support them.
- Catfield Parish Council – Questionnaire for Parish Councils - Survey Response
- Norfolk Scouts - Volunteers sought for Scouting in the area please
- Norfolk County Council - LGR Update: Business case for one unitary authority published
- Norfolk Police – Op Radium
- Norfolk County Council - Norfolk County Council Recycling Centre Annual Satisfaction Survey - Norfolk ALC

13. Items for the next Parish Council Meeting on **Wednesday 26th November 2025.**

- Charity update
- Christmas Event planning progress
- Update on the Albert Bartlett matter

Meeting closed at: 20:07

Signed