

Minutes of a meeting of **Blakeney Parish Council** which was held on **Tuesday 2nd December 2025** in **The Parish Office/Parish Room**, commencing at 6:30pm.

Present:- Rosemary Thew (Chairman), Nigel Sutcliffe (Vice-Chairman), Shirley Everett, Alban Donohoe, Iain Wolfe, Willie Weston, Mike Reed, Jenny Girling and Samantha Arlow.

Clerk:- Tracey Bayfield

Public:- 0

Did not attend:- 0

1. Apologies for absence were **approved** from; Barry Girling & Judy Pegden.

2. The following Declarations of Interest were received. There were no requests for dispensations from members

- *Mike Reed – personal as tenant of Blakeney War Memorial Cottages (item no 11.2.)*

3. Resolved that the **Minutes** of The Full Council Meeting held on Tuesday 4th November 2025 are signed as a true record.

4. Chairman's Announcements – Saddened to report that Edward Hackford, whom served on Blakeney Parish Council for a number of years, passed away last week. Our condolences and thoughts are with his wife and family.

5. Reports from County & District Councillors;

5.1. *County Councillor* – Michael Dalby had sent a report in advance.

5.2. *District Councillor* – Victoria Holliday had sent a report in advance. In addition she asked members to let her know of any questions they may have for Anglian Water (AW), as they will be attending the NNDC 'Overview & Scrutiny Committee' meeting at NNDC on 10th December 2025 = Confirmation from AW is sought on capacity to cope with the proposed number of new houses.

Members asked if buses could run back into Blakeney later in the evening, as the public transport system for this rural area is hugely disadvantaged.

6. Open Public Session – None.

7. Planning Items – PF = Full Planning Permission, PM = Planning Permission – Reserved Matters, LA = Alteration to Listed Building & Appeals.

7.1. **PF/25/2509** – *Proposal; Detached garage/carport to front of dwelling at, Wild Acre, 83 Morston Road, Blakeney.*

Resolved: No objection; subject to it being conditioned as being for ancillary garage use only.

8. FINANCE

- 8.1. **Resolved** that the **Accounts** totalling £6,743.36 are to be paid.
- 8.2. **Clerk/RFO Report:** i) Letter of thanks received from the Blakeney & District Branch of the Royal British Legion for the Parish Councils assistance with the Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day event in the village & ii) NNDC update on affordable homes for local people.
- 8.3. **Resolved** no increases to **Carnser Car Park Fees** for 2026.
- 8.4. **Resolved** no increases to **Coronation Car Park Fees** for 2026.
- 8.5. **Resolved** that **Threshold Sports** are invited to make a donation of £1,600 for 2026.
- 8.6. **Resolved** to approve the purchase of the new (14th edition) of **Local Government Administration** (Charles Arnold-Baker).

9. Reports from Representatives on Other Committees/Groups which have met recently if applicable;

- **Blakeney Parish Council & The National Trust Working Group** – RT; the group met on 25th Nov and agreed to advertise the two car park attendants positions for 2026, subject to approval from the BPC H.R. & Finance Committee approval, which was granted.
- **Blakeney Village Hall Trust** – MR; advised that the meeting last month, which was to include the AGM did not take place, as they had inadvertently failed to advertise the meeting. New date waiting to be confirmed.

10. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS – None.

11. CORRESPONDENCE –

- 11.1. **Resolved** that we respond to the latest **Local Government Reorganisation Consultation** stating that Blakeney Parish Council supports the **Three Unitary Council Proposal**; (Greater Norwich: East and West unitary authorities) as proposed by the Future Norfolk partnership of six district councils (Breckland, Broadland, Great Yarmouth, Kings Lynn & West Norfolk, North Norfolk & Norwich City).

11.2. ***Resolved*** that Blakeney Parish Council approves the signing of the **Transfer Deed** to transfer the ownership of the **Blakeney Memorial Cottages** from BPC to the Blakeney War Memorial Cottages Trust.

For information only; NNDC Planning Decisions or Updates, or any Planning Inspectorate Appeals since our last meeting; most available on NNDC website.

PF/25/2022 & LA/25/2023 – Proposal; Internal and external works to dwelling and outbuildings, including; Single storey extension to link outbuilding to dwelling, external alterations including insertion of rooflights, alterations to some door and window openings, raising of roof pitch over single storey section at, **Miranda, 1 Little Lane, Blakeney – APPROVED.**

Meeting closed at 7:38pm

Chairman _____