

OULTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 3rd December 2024

MINUTES

At the meeting of the Oulton Parish Council held at the Old Congregational Chapel Oulton on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 the following members were present:

Mrs S Mather (chair)

Mr P Killingback, Mr A Windross. Ms A Shaw

In Attendance

Mrs W Murphy (Clerk of the Council)

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.**
Mr Greg Peck
- 2. To receive members' declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation and the new Chair to sign the Declaration of office**
None Received
- 3. To confirm minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council**
The minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd October 2024 having previously been circulated to all members were amended and then APPROVED as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.
- 4. To receive information on matters arising not listed elsewhere on the agenda**
RWE Grant funding was discussed and the S Mather will contact Oulton Church to see if they will be submitting an application
- 5. To adjourn the meeting to receive**
 - a. reports from police, district and county**
No reports received
 - b. Bluefield Solar (Oulton Airfield Solar Farm)**
No reports received
 - c. Members of the public**
No public present
- 6. Finance**
 - a. To approve payments**
Cheque Number 100667 Country Style Recycling £51.00
Cheque Number 100668 S Mather £29.49 (Poppy Wreath)
 - b. Allotment Gate Update**
No update given
 - c. Internal Scrutineer**
The clerk confirmed that this is not needed as all invoices and bank reconciliations are presented to council

d. To receive and agree the Budget 2025/2026

As proposed by P Killingback and seconded by S Mather and all in favour it was RESOLVED to accept the budget for 2025/2026

e. To agree the Precept request 2025/2026

As proposed by A Shaw and seconded by P Killingback and all in favour it was RESOLVED to not increase the Precept for 2025/2026 and this to remain at £3,500.00

7. To consider planning matters

a. Planning applications received before 3rd December 2024 & any updates

Church Farm, Heydon road PP-13542943 Proposed link extension, covered area and external alterations

No objection

b. To receive Offshore wind updates

Orsted

The Chair attended the archaeological exhibition at Cawston Village Hall on the 21st November.

This was an opportunity to see and hear about finds which formed part of the archaeological surveys and digs along the cable route.

Most of the finds were not on display as they are undergoing conservation work.

There were significant finds in the Reepham/ Salle corner.

The exhibition appeared to have been well attended, by residents and the local school.

RWE Norfolk Vanguard

OPC finally had feedback about Link 75 (Blickling Rd)

It appears that the Link will be subject to a 30mph temporary speed restriction which will come into force February 2025.

This will last for the duration of the use of Link 75.

Access points have now been constructed at Hendon Rd & Aylsham Rd in Oulton, these areas have been closed to through traffic.

Alison Shaw has been to the Aylsham Rd access site to see how they are progressing.

Residents have contacted OPC about pedestrian access while there is a road closure, as the traffic notice does say there is pedestrian access, but residents have said this is not the case.

RWE have been contacted about this and they have said that due to there being no footpath, access for pedestrians is also restricted.

The most noticeable access construction has been in Blickling Rd where several mature trees have now been felled, and is very noticeable.

Airfield Solar Farm

Bluefield Solar have been contacted as they expressed an interest in attending the PC Meeting, however they are not in a position to proceed with construction details.

They will contact OPC in the New Year.

Orsted & RWE continue to meet with Bluefield Solar.

8. To receive an update on Blickling Road

The RWE Link 75 will commence in January/February on Blickling Road with a temporary 30 mile an hour speed limit. The painting of white lines is still to be done.

9. To receive an update on Septic Tank Scheme

Nothing has been heard.

10. To agree response to the Further Consultation of the Local Plan

Oulton Parish Council had no further response to make

11. To note items for of information/ future agenda

Allotment Gate

Septic Tank Scheme

The Chair accepted A Windross resignation and thanked him for his time on the Council

12. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council Meeting

28th January 2025

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING AND DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.42