

# IXWORTH & IXWORTH THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
At Ixworth Village Hall

**Councillors Present:** Terry Lilley, Stephen Mann, Tony Molloy and Kate Rees

**Others in attendance:** Claire Usher (Clerk) and District Councillor John Griffiths

080426/01     **Election of Chairman for this Meeting:** Kate Rees was nominated as Chairman for the meeting, as approved by all those attending.

080426/02     **Apologies for absence:** Sam Linton and Ben Lord. All Councillors accepted the apologies for absence.

080426/03     **Declarations of Interest:** None

Dispensation: Councillors noted no requests had been received and none were requested at the meeting.

080426/04     **Councillor Code of Conduct at Meetings:** This item was deferred to the next meeting.

080426/05     **Minutes of previous meeting:** All Councillors resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026 as a true reflection of the decisions made.

**Public Forum:**

080426/06     **County Councillor Report:** Cllr Spicer had sent her apologies.

080426/07     **District Councillor Report:** Cllr Griffiths expressed his thanks to Joanna for her support during her time as County Councillor and wished her well for her retirement. He supported the Parish Councils objections to the Persimmon application off Crown Lane. As we were now in a new financial year he had some locality budget available if the Parish Council needed any support for a project.

## Planning:

080426/08 DC/26/0447/TPO – Trees in a Conservation Area – Tree works – 10 Crown Crescent – Councillors supported this application.

DC/26/0383/FUL – Vehicular access and entrance gates, pumping station including metering kiosk and generator building, fencing and hard and soft landscaping – Pumping Station, Crown Lane – Councillors supported this application.

DC/26/0515/TCA – Trees in a Conservation Area – two leylandii to fell – Everton House, Thetford Road – Councillors supported this application.

Councillors noted that no planning decisions had been taken since the last meeting.

080426/09 **West Suffolk Planning Policy Consultation – Call for Sites with Potential for Development:** This item was deferred to the next meeting.

## Finance:

080426/10 All Councillors will receive the end of year accounts 2025/26 shortly.

080426/11 **Bank Reconciliation** – Councillors received a bank reconciliation report prepared by the Clerk, the Community Account as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 £1,926.34 in the Business Account as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 £83,022.49, total £84,948.83.

080426/12 **Receipts:** The Clerk confirmed that no receipts had been received.

080426/13 **Payments:** All Councillors resolved to approve the following gross payments by internet banking confirming a full schedule, supported by invoices and receipts, had been received prior to the meeting:

	Payee	Details	£
080426/14	Claire Usher	Clerks Wage	1419.21
080426/15	R Pye	Caretaker Cemetery	164.90
080426/16	HMRC	PAYE	144.24
080426/17	Jiggins Trust	Room Hire	22.00
080426/18	Gadd Brothers	Tree Works	1320.00
080426/19	Jose Mendez Acosta	Cemetery Maintenance	958.74
080426/20	The Clean Plumber	Tap Cemetery	171.64
080426/21	Glasdon UK Ltd	Waste Bin	954.72
080426/22	West Suffolk Council	Bin Empty	209.04

080426/23	West Suffolk Council	Bin Empty Cemetery	519.48
080426/24	ICO	Data Protection	52.00
080426/25	Cloudy IT	IT	114.32

- 080426/26    **Rent Agreement with the Jiggins Trust:** This item was deferred to the next meeting.
  
- 080426/27    **Outstanding Actions:** All Councillors had received a copy of the report prior to the meeting.
  
- 080426/28    **Health & Safety Update:** Cllr Lilley had no further updates.
  
- 080426/29    **Chairman’s Report:** There was no report.
  
- 080426/30    **Councillor’s Reports:** There were no reports.
  
- 080426/31    **Correspondence:** The Clerk had no correspondence to report.
  
- 080426/32    Any other Council business for information to be noted or for inclusion in a future agenda: The future of the Community Action Group
  
- 080426/33    All Councillors noted that the next meeting of the Annual Parish Council will follow the Annual Parish Meeting starting at 6.30pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 in the School Hall, Ixworth Primary School
  
- 080426/34    The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.00pm

Signed .....

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