

KESSINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary meeting of the
Kessingland Parish Council
At 11am on Wednesday 15th July 2026
Held in the Council Chamber, Marram Green

Members Present: Councillors D. Boyle, N. Glendinning, I. Graham, A. Green, S. James (Chair), J. McLean, D. Pope-Brannon, B. Saunders & B. Nicholls

Others Present: One member of the public

Clerk to the Meeting: S. Hogg (Acting Parish Clerk) and D. Blowers (Admin/Committee Clerk)

61. **Chair's welcome**

The Chair welcomed the Committee and explained the meeting protocol.

62. **Apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Cook with the acceptance of apologies proposed by Cllr Glendinning, seconded by Cllr Boyle with all in favour.

63. **Declarations of Interest.**

There were no declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from Councillors on items on the agenda and it was noted that there are no written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

64. **Minutes of the previous meetings.**

As this is an Extra-Ordinary meeting, the minutes of the meeting held on 8th July 2026 will be presented for approval at the next Full Council meeting.

65. **Public Forum**

During each meeting the council will hold a public forum for a period of 10 minutes. During this time, residents will have a maximum of 3 minutes each to put views/questions to the Chair regarding matters on the agenda. Where possible the Chair will respond but the matter may have to be deferred and placed on a later month's agenda for discussion.

65.1 A member of the public spoke regarding the reconsultation of planning application **DC/23/4255/FUL**. Concerns were raised regarding foul water drainage and sewerage capacity serving the proposed development, and whether the planning conditions previously applied to the application would remain unchanged.

The member of the public also noted that it had been agreed through the Local Plan process that no further large-scale developments should be permitted until existing flooding and drainage issues had been resolved. In addition, concerns were expressed regarding highway safety, particularly at the junction serving the proposed development, and whether a reduction in the speed limit would be considered.

66. Reconsultation

66.1 Councillors discussed the reconsultation of planning application **DC/23/4255/FUL** and raised a number of concerns.

Members considered the consultation period to be too short and expressed concern that it was difficult to conclude that the drainage issues affecting the site had been satisfactorily resolved. Councillors agreed that East Suffolk Council Planning should be asked to provide comments on the submission made by the Water Alliance. It was also noted that all objections and concerns previously submitted by the Council remained relevant and continued to apply. Councillors suggested requesting an extension to the reconsultation period and seeking a meeting with Joe Blackmore to discuss the application in greater detail. Questions were also raised regarding whether the public footpath through the site could be guaranteed to remain open at all times. Members further commented that the consultee response submitted by the previous Parish Clerk remained comprehensive, accurate and worthy of consideration. A proposal was made by Cllr Glendinning to request a six-week extension to the reconsultation period, arrange a meeting with Joe Blackmore, and to maintain the Council's strong objection to the application. It was further agreed that, should the extension request be refused, Cllr Green, in his capacity as an East Suffolk Councillor, would contact Mr Blackmore directly. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Pope-Brannon and carried unanimously.

11:15am Cllr Nicholls left the meeting for approximately five minutes to take a telephone call and then rejoined the meeting.

67. Kessingland Football Club

67.1 To consider amendments to the Kessingland Football Club pitch hire fee. (Confidential)

This item was considered during the confidential session.

68. Other Matters

There were no other matters to discuss.

69. Date of Next Meeting

Cllrs noted the date of the next meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 9th September 2026.

70. Items for the next agenda

The last date for notifying the Clerk of items for the agenda will be Friday 28th August 2026.

71. Exclusion of the Press & Public

Cllr Graham proposed that in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 (Sections 100 and 102), the public and press be excluded for the remaining items of business due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted including contractual and personnel related matters. Cllr Boyle seconded the motion with all in favour.

72. Close of meeting

This meeting closed at 12.03pm.