OULTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 10th March 2026

MINUTES

Present:
S Mather (chair) A Shaw
P Killingback A Nash
K Reeves G Peck

W Murphy (Clerk of the Council)

Cllr S Catchpole (Broadland District Council)
Cllr D Thomas (Broadland District Council)
J Livingstone (Cawston Parish Council)

1. To receive apologies for absence.
None

2. To receive members' declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for Dispensation
None

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
The minutes of the Meeting held on 21st January 2026 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
The Clerk and Chair have received an email regarding charges for the hire of Oulton Congregational Church for the Parish Council meetings.

5. To adjourn the meeting to receive
a. Reports from police, district and county council
b. ors
S Catchpole confirmed that Broadland District Council have not increased their precept for the 2nd year running and are managing to retain all their planned projects including temporary accommodation. She confirmed that the County Council elections will be held on 7th May 2026 and she will be standing as a Liberal Democrat candidate.

As there was no County Council representative at the meeting G Peck confirmed that the County Council precept has increased by 4.99% with a balanced budget.
5b A councillor from Cawston PC as well as their district councillor were in attendance to hear about the proposed AD planning application 2026/0282 updates. They both voiced their concerns about HGV numbers and the impacts on the wider road network and local rural roads.

Members of the public
None present

6. Finance:
a. To approve any accounts for payment
Cheque 100716 £722.80 W Murphy Clerk Wages

Cheque 100717 £193.20 HMRC

b. To agree the Grounds Maintenance Charge 2026/2027
It was agreed to accept the Grounds Maintenance charge

7. To receive an update on Allotment/Horse Field
The area has been assessed and the land needs to be cleared and the hedges cut. This will be looked at in the next financial year.

8. To receive a report on the current state of the southern end of 'The Street' and make any decisions.
It was agreed for a meeting to be arranged with Martin Dixon from Highways. The Chair will arrange this.

9. To consider any planning matters

2026/0314 Erection of Four Poultry Houses and Associated Infrastructure – see planning response attached

2026/0282 Application for Planning Permission to construct an anaerobic digestion (AD) plant, with landscaping, drainage and associated development, infrastructure and works – former Oulton Airfield, Oulton, Norfolk – see planning response attached
To receive updates

2025/0218 Hanger Farm application - nothing to report
2025/4000/4001 application for retention of tarmac access Heydon Rd – see planning response attached.

10. To agree and sign the Bluefield Solar Community Fund Agreement.
It was agreed for the clerk to sign the agreement and find out the next steps.

11. To discuss Box day.
A resident is happy to organise Box Day which will be on 20th June 2026.

12. To note items of information / future agenda

13. To confirm day and dates for the next meetings
Annual Parish Meeting 21/5/2026 8pm

Meeting closed at 21.23