

Fulstow Parish Council Draft Minutes

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Location: Fulstow Village Hall

Date: 5th March 2026

Time: 7pm

In attendance: Cllr Guilliat, Cllr Larder, Cllr Lawson, Cllr Mann, Cllr Rack & Cllr Mossop

Minutes taken by Clerk & RFO M Lawson

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Flinn and Cllr Hastings and were accepted by the Council.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct – None declared.

3. Public Participation – 10 Minutes

- a. Public participation opened - No members of the public present.
- b. Public participation closed.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2026 were approved and duly signed by Cllr Guilliat.

5. Review of Outstanding Actions from 22 January 2026

- a. The Clerk to submit the completed precept request form by 31 January 2026 – Completed.
- b. The Clerk to draft a letter regarding hedge trimming and circulate it to Councillors for approval prior to distribution to relevant residents – The hedges were trimmed prior to the letter being drafted; therefore, no letter was sent.

6. Reports from District and County Councillors

Cllr Mossop reported that all his £4,000 District Councillor grant funding from 2025/26 had now been allocated. Grants for 2026/27 will be available from June 2026.

He also informed the Council that, whilst travelling to the meeting, he had noticed fly-tipping at the end of Occupation Lane. The Clerk will report this directly to East Lindsey District Council (ELDC).

7. Co-option of a Parish Councillor

Councillor Pike's six-month non-attendance period concludes on 24 March 2026, which falls before the next planned meeting. If she does not attend that meeting—or any extraordinary meeting held before then—she will be automatically removed as a Councillor. On 24th March, the Clerk will contact Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) to request that they begin the process of filling the vacancy, either through election or co-option.

8. Finance

a. Certification of Payments

The following payment was approved: Paper shredder – £27.99 – Cllr Lawson

b. Village Signs

Due to Cllr Pikes' non-attendance, Cllr Larder offered to contact McFarland's of Louth Ltd regarding the design and purchase of the new village signs.

c. Village Flagpole

Cllr Guilliat agreed to investigate the proposed location for the flagpole in consultation with a local builder.

9. Lincolnshire County Council Grass Cutting Agreement

- a. To note the payment arrangements for grass cutting – The grass cutting invoice for 2025/26 has been forwarded to LCC.
- b. To approve the 2026/27 parish grass cutting plans received from LCC – The plans were reviewed and approved by the Council.

10. Correspondence Received Since the Last Meeting

- i. An email was received regarding a meeting with TotalEnergies concerning the North Ray Solar Farm. A meeting had taken place with local Parish Chairs regarding this project; however, Cllr Guilliat had not received any related correspondence. The Clerk has contacted the relevant parties and requested that Fulstow Parish Council and Cllr Guilliat be included in all future correspondence and meetings. It was noted that, should the project proceed, there may be the possibility of compensation for the village.

11. Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed that the Annual Meeting of the Parish, to be held on 16 April 2026, will commence at 6.45pm.

12. Items for the Next Agenda

Requests for items to be included on the next agenda must be submitted to the Clerk by noon on 6 April 2026.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will be held on Thursday 16 April 2026 at 6.45pm.
The Annual Meeting of the Council will follow at 7.00pm.

Action Points

- a. Clerk to report fly tipping to East Lindsey District Council (ELDC).
- b. Clerk to inform Lincolnshire County Council of Cllr Pike's six-month absence and initiate the process to fill the vacancy.
- c. Cllr Larder to contact McFarland's of Louth Ltd regarding village signs.
- d. Cllr Guilliat to contact local builder to gain advice on the location of a flagpole
- e. Clerk to approve the grass cutting agreement online