

Snetterton Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tyrrells Restaurant - Snetterton Circuit, Norfolk NR16 2QX

Monday 2nd February 2026 at 6.30 pm

Councillors Present: Sam Hempsall (Chair), Trevor Watkins (Vice Chair), Gen Ellis and Henry Mason

Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer (RFO): Sally Chapman

Also Present: County Councillor Stephen Askew and seven parishioners

Public Forum

A. Public Forum

The Chair of Snetterton Residents Action Group (SRAG) voiced the Group's concerns regarding planning applications PL/2025/1343/OMIN - outline application for three 3-bed five-person houses and two 4-bed seven-person houses with provision of open space and PL/2025/1720/OMIN - the establishment of public open space at North End, Snetterton NR16 2LE.

Cllrs confirmed that they were keen to hear SRAG's comments and views on the applications and noted that it would have been helpful if SRAG had attended the meeting in November when application PL/2025/1720/OMIN was considered (*SPC's comments on application PL/2025/1720/OMIN were submitted online to Breckland District Council Planning Department on 12 December 2025*).

The covenant on the land was discussed and the Chair confirmed that clarification had been received from the Planning Department and that this information would be passed on to SRAG. **Action: Chair**

Following discussion, the Chair thanked SRAG for the work undertaken in investigating the applications and for presenting the Group's concerns.

B. To Receive Reports from County Councillor Stephen Askew

The County Councillor provided a verbal update. Key points included that the County Council elections, originally scheduled for 2025 and subsequently proposed for 2026, have now been proposed to be postponed again until 2027.

It was reported that a Judicial Review in relation to devolution is due to take place on 19th February 2026. The outcome of the review may result in a different position regarding what elements of the devolution proposals will proceed.

MINUTES

1. To Approve Apologies for Absence

Apologies Received and Approved from Cllr Dodds.

2. To Receive Declaration of Interests and any Requests for Dispensation

None

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Last Meeting on Monday 24th November 2025

The Minutes from the Meeting held on Monday 24th November 2025 were confirmed unanimously as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

Signed:

Date:

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4. Finance

a) To Receive the Financial & Budget Reports and Approve the Income & Expenditure

Councillors Resolved unanimously to Approve the Financial and Budget Reports and the following Receipts and Expenditure:

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE
28/11/2025	S/O	Clerk's Salary - November		£378.52
28/11/2025	Transfer	Bank Service Charge		£6.00
23/12/2026	DD	Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) - Cancelled		
28/12/2025	S/O	Clerk's Salary - December		£378.52
28/12/2025	Transfer	Bank Service Charge		£6.00
28/01/2026	S/O	Clerk's Salary - January		£378.52
30/01/2026	Transfer	Bank Service Charge		£6.00
02/02/2026	12	Clerk's Expenses December & January		£26.00
		Total	£ -	£ 1,179.56
		Reserves		
		General Reserves		£ 5,473.70
		Restricted Reserves		£ 1,200.00
		Total		£ 6,673.70

b) Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) - Annual Subscription

Councillors Resolved not to renew the Campaign to Protect Rural subscription. **Action: Clerk**

c) To Consider the Planning Training Quotations

Councillors considered the whole Council Planning Training quotations and Resolved to accept Mr Mark Turner's quotation of £250 for a 2.5-hour session. **Action: Clerk**

d) Budget & Precept for 2026/27 – update

The Clerk confirmed that the precept had been applied for from Breckland District Council and acknowledged.

e) Bid for Parish Partnership 2026/27 – HGV Restriction Signs – c/f

Applied for 50% funding – the award letters will be issued in March 2026

5. To Note the Current Planning Applications & Decisions

BDC planning website: <https://publicportal.breckland.gov.uk>

Cllrs considered and acknowledged the following applications and decisions:

Applications

a) PL/2025/1949/FMIN - [Breckland | Breckland Online | Application | 198847](#)

Land At Falcon Road, Snetterton, Norfolk, NR16 2FB

Provision of electrical sub-station.

SPC Decision: [To Submit the Planning Policy](#). Status: Pending Decision

Action: Clerk

b) PL/2025/1954/FMIN - minor application

Land At Falcon Road, Snetterton, Norfolk NR16 2JZ

Construction of roundabout, vehicular access road, footpaths, drainage swales and associated infrastructure.

SPC Decision: [To Submit the Planning Policy](#). Status: Pending Decision

c) PL/2025/1806/RMAJ

RMAJ Application for approval of reserved matters following outline (major)

Site: Unit 4 Snetterton Park Harling Road, Harling Road, Snetterton, NR16 2JU

SPC Decision: [To Submit the Planning Policy](#). Status: Pending Decision

d) PL/2025/1764/CLEUD

CLEUD Certificate of lawful development (Existing)

Snetterton Business Park Chalk Lane, Snetterton, Norfolk,

SPC Decision: [To Submit the Planning Policy](#). Status: Pending Decision

Signed:

Date:

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e) PL/2025/1720/OMIN

The Establishment of Public Open Space at North End, Snetterton NR 16 2LE.

Snetterton North End, Old Hall Lane, Snetterton

[SPC Decision 4th November 2025: To make No Formal comment at this stage.](#) Status: Pending Decision

[SPC Decision submitted 12th December 2025: Snetterton Parish Council has considered this application and, due to its controversial nature and the level of public interest, does not wish to submit a formal comment at this stage. The Council respectfully requests that the application is referred to the Breckland District Council Planning Committee for determination to ensure full public scrutiny.](#)

Councillors discussed applications **PL/2025/1343/OMIN**, an outline application for three 3-bed five-person houses and two 4-bed seven-person houses with provision of open space, and **PL/2025/1720/OMIN**, the establishment of public open space at North End, Snetterton NR16 2LE.

[SPC Decision 2nd February 2026: Councillors Resolved to Withdraw their Support for the above applications and agreed to issue a statement to Breckland District Council outlining the reasons for this decision.](#) Action: Chair/Clerk

f) PL/2025/1343/OMIN

Outline application for 3 No. 3-Bed 5-Person Houses and 2 No. 4-Bed 7-Person Houses
Land at North End Snetterton

[SPC Decision: To Support with Conditions.](#) Status: Pending Decision

g) PL/2025/1356/RMAJ

RMAJ Application for approval of reserved matters following outline (major) outline planning permission: 3PL/2022/0422/O.

Land South Of Falcon Road, Snetterton, NR16 2JZ

[SPC Decision: Object to this Planning Application with comments.](#) Status: Pending Decision

h) PL/2025/0251/DCA

DCA Approval of details reserved by condition

Land Off Falcon Rd, Snetterton, NR16 2FB.

Discharge of Condition(s) 3 & 4 on 3PL/2021/0989/F

[SPC Decision: To Submit the Planning Policy.](#) Status: Pending Decision

Decisions

i) PL/2025/1967/DCA

Land Off Heath Road, North Of Snetterton Motor Circuit, Snetterton, Norfolk.

DCA Approval of details reserved by condition

Discharge of condition 5 (materials) on pp 3PL/2024/0701/H

[SPC Decision: To Submit the Planning Policy.](#) Status: Discharge of Condition

j) PL/2025/1568/CLEUD - Certificate of lawful development (Existing)

Confirmation that planning permission ref. 3PL/2022/0378/F has been implemented and is extant. Land To Falcon Road, Snetterton, Norfolk

Status: Granted No Conditions

k) PL/2025/1401/DCA

Discharge of condition 11 on pp PL/2025/0553/FMAJ

Rjm Warehousing & Distribution, Loch Lane, Snetterton Pk, Snetterton, NR16 2FU

[SPC Decision: To Submit the Planning Policy.](#) Status: Discharge of Condition

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6. Breckland Local Plan: Regulation 18 Consultation – update

The public consultation on the Draft Plan ended on Monday 15th December 2025

[Regulation 18 Local Plan Consultation 2025 - Breckland Council](#)

The Clerk advised there has been no further update.

7. Highways and Transport

a) NCC Application for a Restricted Byways Across World Horse Welfare Land – c/f

b) Light Pollution - A11 Corridor – update

Cllr Ellis informed that he had emailed the Breckland Astronomical Society twice regarding this issue, raising the Council's concerns, but as yet had not received a response.

c) Snetterton/Shropham Hargham Road, North End Road & Spring Lane, 40mph Speed Limit

Proposal – Traffic Regulation Order – update

The new 40 mph speed limit signs are now in place and Councillors thanked the County Councillor for his support.

8. Correspondence (*emails circulated as received*)

a) Snetterton Power Station – parishioner's email

An email had been received regarding permission for lorries to park on land adjacent to the power station, noting that the roads and drains had not been cleared during the year. The correspondent believed that road maintenance was a condition of the planning permission. Councillors discussed the matter with the County Councillor. The Clerk confirmed that contact had been made with Mr Luke Denny at Norfolk County Council Highways. Councillors requested that the Clerk contact the Planning Department's Enforcement team to clarify whether maintaining the roads and drains is a condition of the planning permission. Action: Clerk

b) Snetterton Business Park Pavement – parishioner's email

Cllrs considered a request regarding a potential pavement or paved walkway between Snetterton Business Park and the Esso service station. The Clerk confirmed that the concerns had been raised with Mr Luke Denny at Norfolk County Council Highways and with County Councillor Stephen Askew. It was also noted concerns regarding long-term maintenance and potential safety issues arising from pedestrians walking adjacent to a busy route.

[Councillors acknowledged that the proposal was a good idea in principle but Resolved that the cost would be too high for a small Parish Council to fund.](#)

c) Invitation to BDC Community Land Transfers - Parish Council Workshops

Cllrs noted the above invitation.

d) WHW Candlelit Carol Service Invitation – Monday 8th December 2025 – update

Cllrs attended the candlelight carol service in December and commented that it was an amazing evening, which they all thoroughly enjoyed.

9. AOB (*For discussion only – the Council cannot make decisions on these items unless stated on the agenda*)

a) Policies Adoption & Review

The Clerk informed Cllrs that a policy adoption and review would take place at the next meeting in March, and that the new Assertion 10 requirements would be addressed.

b) Litter around McDonald's

Councillors raised concerns regarding the litter around the McDonald's site and requested that the Clerk raise a complaint with Breckland District Council. Action: Clerk

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c) Tree Preservation Orders – update

The Clerk reported that an update had been received from the Tree & Countryside Officer, who advised that progress would be made in the spring.

10. To Receive Items for the Next Agenda

None

11. To Note the following Meeting Dates

- Monday 30th March 2026 at 6.30 pm
- Tuesday 26th May 2026 at 6.30 pm – *Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting*
- Monday 27th July 2026 at 6.30 pm
- Monday 28th September 2026 at 6.30 pm
- Monday 23rd November 2026 at 6.30 pm

The meeting ended at 7.30 pm

Signed:

Date: