

MINUTES OF MARTHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 16 April 2025 at 7.30 pm

Public Participation - no members of the public were present.

381/38: ATTENDANCE

Present: Cllr Bob Fossey (Chair), Cllr Colin Starkings (Vice-Chair), Cllr Ian Bradford, Cllr Vick Smith, Cllr Terry Watson, Cllr Sharon Coates, Cllr Adam Sayer, and Cllr Graham Bye. The Parish Clerk was also present. Apologies – none

382/39: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

Councillor Coates declared an interest in Planning application - 06/25/0043/HH.

383/40: MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting minutes held on 19 March 2025 were AGREED and signed as a true and accurate record by the Chair.

384/41: MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES – for information only

All actions complete (links have been included in the March minutes for reporting non-Parish Council related matters).

385/42: CORRESPONDENCE/CONSULTATIONS

To consider any matters received within the month:

386/43: PLANNING

To consider applications and decisions received from Great Yarmouth Borough Council, Broads Authority, and Norfolk County Council.

Great Yarmouth Borough Council - to consider applications and decisions received [GYBC](#)

06/25/0218/HH: Development: Erection of a detached single storey garden room within garden
Location: 2 Daisy Close Martham Great Yarmouth NR29 4PJ.

Council comment: NO OBJECTION

06/25/0043/HH: Development: Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of replacement single storey rear extension to the north of 22 Repp's Road, and construction of a replacement 3-bay carport. Location: 26 Repp's Road, Martham, NR29 4QT.

Council comment: It was RESOLVED to comment NO OBJECTION with two abstentions.

Broads Authority and Norfolk County Council

To consider applications and decisions received:

BA/2025/0063/NONMAT. Changes to bridge ramp design and south elevation fenestration. Nonmaterial amendment to permission BA/2024/0120/HOUSEH. Address : 38 Riverside, Martham, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk. **BROADS AUTHORITY DECISION - APPROVED.**

387/44: FINANCIAL MATTERS

A list of income was received, Allotments: £180, Hall Hire: £150, Recycling: £12 and EVCP: £6.71. The balance of all accounts of £56,866.46 as of 31 March 2025 was received along with payments for the month. It was NOTED that the first of two Precept payments has also been received from the precepting authority within the month of £52,500.

388/45: VILLAGE MATTERS

To receive updates and consider any Village matters including:

a) Permission to use the Green for picnic benches

A discussion took place on the request made to place picnic benches on the green. The Clerk was directed to obtain further information from the applicant before a decision can be made.

Action: Clerk – next meeting

b) Scarecrow Festival

The council received an update with dates for the festival noted as 4-5 May 2025. The Fair have confirmed attendance with the Borough Council stating the Fair are unable to have any goldfish.

389/46: ADMINISTRATION

To note or consider any matters raised within the month.

Vacancy – Notification of the casual vacancy which exists in the office of Parish Councillor for the Parish of Martham was received in response to the resignation from Cllr Lee Pallett. The Council will be notified by the Electoral Services team at Great Yarmouth Borough Council if this vacancy can be filled by co-option.

Annual Meeting - scheduled for Wednesday 23 April 6.30pm. Plans for the meeting were discussed. All members of the Parish are welcome to attend on the evening and give an update on highlights from the passed year.

Developer Contributions - Spending of Developer Contributions on Open Space Improvements. Great Yarmouth Borough Council Councillor Andy Grant had been in touch with a suggestion to work on an application for play area equipment. Council received an update. Work on an application will start in due course led by Cllr Starkings. **Action:** Cllr Starkings/Clerk

Highways Matters - The Norfolk County Council, (Rollesby, C457 Martham Road) (30 M.P.H. Speed Limit) Amendment Order 2025. The Norfolk County Council propose to make the above Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effects of which will be to extend the current 30 mph speed limit by an additional 55 metres north-eastwards along the C457 Martham Road from a point 165 metres north-east from its junction with A149 Main Road, consequently reducing the existing 60 mph speed limit along this 55 metre section of road. **NOTED**

Community Centre Maintenance – maintenance continues with quotes for essential remedial works in progress. A quote for £600 plus VAT for replacement fire extinguishers in the community centre was discussed: It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to progress with this quotation.

390/47: MEETINGS

- **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Annual Meeting of the Parish on Wednesday 23 April 2025 – 6.30pm
- **NEXT FULL COUNCIL MEETING:** Wednesday 21 May 2025 – 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.42pm

Signed Chairman.....

Payments

MRCG	Insurance	960
Expenses	Travel	26
PLAN.COM	Mobile Phone	57
NCC	MPC 50/50 PPS	1003
Viking	Supplies	85.28
SSAF	Signage	39.12
J Ribbands	Grass Cutting	5400
Expenses	CC Supplies	14.95
Unity Trust	Service Charge	6
Winterton PC	Allotment Payments	116.63
Expenses	Cleaning CC	453.6
BT GROUP PLC	Phone & Broadband	73.06
HMRC/NI/Sals/Pens	HR	3010.73
Chapmans Farms	Footpaths	400
NPTS	Training - Cllrs	135
Scribe Accounting	Subscriptions	991.2
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