

PARISH OF PETTAUGH

MINUTES of the Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Pettaugh held on 14 May 2026 at St Catherine's Church, Pettaugh (start 6.00pm)

Present: Councillor S Rowe (Chairman of the Parish Council - presiding)
Parish Councillors B Bulsing, R Crane, M Marlow and E Thornton
One member of the public
S Jennings (Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Hicks and N Hardingham due to their attendance at meetings elsewhere.

2. Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting – 7 May 2025

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 7 May 2025 be approved and confirmed.

3. Reports by Councillors and other representatives

Reports previously submitted by both Councillor M Hicks, the County Councillor, and Councillor N Hardingham, the District Councillor, were made available to the meeting. Topics covered in the report from Councillor Hicks included -

- The County Council's approved budget – protecting frontline services amid rising costs and demand.
- The County Council's continued opposition to the National Grid proposal to install pylons through 114 miles of Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex countryside.
- The County Council's decision to bring Library Services back in-house confirmed.
- The going live of Suffolk's once-in-a-generation 'state of the art' fire control room.

Councillor N Hardingham's report covered the following topics -

- Local Government Reform.
- The District Council's Budget.
- Recycling and Waste – new collection arrangements.
- Nature recovery – a new grants scheme.
- Planning and Housing – increased housing targets.
- Stonham Barns – Planning and enforcement issues.

- Supporting the community – projects supported from his Locality Budget.

A verbal report on behalf of the Metcalf Educational Foundation was given by Parish Councillor Ruth Crane who represented the Parish on the Trust Board.

A Parish Council annual report had been prepared by the Clerk on behalf of the Chairman, was received, and approved for publication.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.42 pm.

CHAIRMAN