

# MULBARTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Mulbarton Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 7 April 2025 at 7:30 PM, held at Hannover Gardens

Parish Councillors present: Louis Kaszczak, Danny Gaskin, and Steve Sewell

District Councillors present: Ian Spratt, Jim Webber and Bob McClenning

Also, present Lorraine Trueman (clerk) and 16 members of the public

### 1. Welcome

The Chair of the Parish Council, Steve Sewell, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 2. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from, Dennis Wells and Roger Robinson. Pauline Campion advised she would be arriving later.

### 3. To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 13 June 2023

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair of the Parish Council, Steve Sewell.

### 4. To receive a report from Steve Sewell, Chair of Mulbarton Parish Council

Steve Sewell gave a report, which is available on the website.

### 5. To receive a report from South Norfolk District Councillors

The District Councillors introduced themselves and explained their role. They provide up to date information at the monthly parish council meetings and in the parish magazine. A monthly report is also available from the District Councillors on the Parish Council website.

Information shared covered devolution, local government reform, Mulbarton Common, planning matters, Humbleyard Practice and solar and battery farms.

The District Councillors answered questions from the public.

### 6. To receive reports from village organisations

Reports were received from the below groups. All reports shared are available on the parish council website.

Parish News and historic Mulbarton website

Mulbarton Wanderers CIC

Mulbarton Allotment and Leisure Gardeners Association

Sir Edwin Rich Trust

Mulbarton Community Allotment Association

Mulbarton Social Club

Speed watch

1<sup>st</sup> Mulbarton Scout Group

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Mulbarton Community Choir

Mulbarton PCC

Short Mat Bowls

Village website

## **7. To receive comments from the electors of the parish**

Members of the public raised concerns about the post-box, that had been removed from the junction of Bluebell Road with Long Lane, that it may not be returned/replaced by Royal Mail.

Many members of the public considered the junction with Cuckoofield Lane, Long Lane and The Rosery to be dangerous. It is believed that several accidents have occurred on this junction. The Parish Council reported this had been raised with Norfolk County Council Highways, who considered the junction to be safe.

A member of the public asked about the increase in the precept, the planned pump track at The Meadows and upkeep costs. The chair explained that while the precept had increased in 25/26 this was still lower than many similar size councils.

Meeting closed at 9.42pm