Mulbarton Parish Council Clerk's Report April 2025



Items not on the agenda

The additional SAM2 sign has been ordered and is due in a few weeks.

Royal Mail have not yet responded about the missing post box on the junction with Long Lane and Bluebell Road.

Items on the agenda

Items 1 & 2: Elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson

It is a legal requirement for the council to appoint a chair at their annual meeting. The council is not required to appoint a vice-chair although it is beneficial.

Item 6: Pump track and play equipment at The Meadows

At the last parish council meeting, councillors considered quotes for a pump track and play equipment at The Meadows and decided to invite a potential contractor to a meeting to present their ideas. Four One Four will present their proposal and the public will be invited to ask questions and give their feedback.

Item 13.2 Bloys Grove Solar Farm

The solar farm is in both Mulbarton and Swainsthorpe and construction work is due to begin in May. HGV's will use Church Road only, while smaller construction vehicles will use Brick Kiln Lane where possible. The solar farm is expected to be operational in summer 2026.

A community benefit fund will be available for the lifetime of the project. EDF have asked that Mulbarton and Swainsthorpe reach a decision on how the fund should be split between the 2 parishes.

Item 13.3 South Norfolk Council's Design Code

South Norfolk Council are seeking feedback on the proposed Design Code, which once adopted will form part of the planning guidance. The deadline for feedback is Monday 23 June.

Item 22: Public Space Protection Order

South Norfolk Council are proposing to renew the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) (Dog Fouling & Dog Control) under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and have asked the parish council to submit any comments by 11 June.

Item 23: Bus shelter improvement plan

Norfolk County Council have opened a funding opportunity for new or replacement bus shelters. The maximum amount available is £8,000, the parish council must pay at least 20% of the total purchase cost and be responsible for ongoing maintenance.

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