



OCCOLD PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Stephen Hubner

Clerk: Tina Newby

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Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 7th September 2026 In The Village Hall, Occold

Attendees: Cllr Chittock (KC), Cllr Duggett (AD), Cllr A Hall (Aha), Cllr St Pier (RSP), and Cllr Weller (TW).

Also in Attendance: Tina Newby (Clerk), District Cllr Elkin.
Cllr Duggett chaired the meeting in Cllr Hubner's absence.

1 Apologies for absence:

- a** Councillors to receive any apologies for absence. (SH), (JE) and (Aho) apologies were received.
- b** Councillors to vote on acceptance to apologies for absence. Accepted.

2 Declarations of Interest and Dispensation considerations:

- a** To receive any Councillors' Interests in subsequent agenda items. none
- b** To receive and consider any requests for dispensations. None

3 Minutes of previous meetings: Councillors to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 6th July 2026. **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes, unanimously approved.

4 Review and update of previous actions.

5 Actions from Parish Council Meetings

2026-04-13 8	Clerk and AD to discuss the website	Ongoing. (AD) looking through new website
2026-07-06 4	JE to discuss reviewing the play equip with ORAC	Ongoing (JE) absent from the meeting
2026-07-06 11	Clerk to ask the process for having a mirror on the school railing	Closed

6 Public Forum:

- a** To receive a report from the County Councillor. Report on the website. **Action Clerk** to invite (SM) for a walkaround.
- b** To receive a report from the District Councillor. Report on the website
- c** To receive comments or questions on matters of interest from members of the public. None



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- 7 Planning:** Councillors to consider and note the following items relating to the Local Planning Authority (MSDC) relating to Occold: -

a Applications:

[DC/26/03647](#) Full Planning Application - Erection of replacement dwelling following demolition of existing. | Wingfield Farm House Barric Lane Occold Eye Suffolk IP23 7PX

RESOLVED: To recommend approval. It was noted that the footpath is now closer to the house.

b Determinations:

- 8 Finance** (all supporting papers sent separately):

- a** Councillors to approve the finance report for the period ended 31st August 2026 including:

- i** Salary Pay Award for 26-27. Pay award has increased £16.35 to £16.89 = .54p per hour. **Approved** £58.32
- ii** Bank reconciliations **Approved**
- iii** Budget to actual payments and receipts **Noted**
- iv** Reserves. **Noted**

- b** Councillors to note receipts since the last meeting. **Noted**

- c** To review and agree the PC insurance. *Missed of discussion*

- d** Councillors to approve payments as per schedule.

31/08/2026	Clerk	August Wages	350.10
03/09/2026	Scott Regan	Cleaning Bus shelter	30.00
07/09/2026	Mid Suffolk	Bin Emptying	309.00
07/09/2026	ORAC	Village Hall hire	10.00
07/09/2026	3it	IT Support	163.92
15/09/2026	HMRC	Tax and NI	86.21
30/09/2026	Lloyds	Service charge	7.00

Payments approved for payment £956.23

- e** Update on Oven for Village Hall. Cost £1803 + VAT. District Councillor Elkin offered the deficit approximately £500 from the Locality Award. **Action AD** to fill in the grant form.

All the above was approved, proposed by Cllr Hall and seconded by Cllr StPier. Unanimously agreed.

9 NSIPS:

- a EcoPower Suffolk:** Report sent by the required timescales. Await Environmental statement and planning application.



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- b Essex and Suffolk Water:** Renewing the water supply. Eye will have a covered over by concrete reservoir.
- 10 Website:** AD is looking though the new website.
- 11 To receive updates and reports from officers and take appropriate action:**
- a Neighbourhood Plan:** Councillors to receive an update on the position. No update.
 - b Flooding:** Councillors to receive an update from the working party. No Update. There is need to review the disaster recovery plan.
 - c Defibrillator:** All working no issues.
 - d Speed through village:** There was a drop in traffic due to diversions. Mill Road SID LED's have failed. **Action AD** to report the fault to Westcotec, still under guarantee.
Mr Erhorn has volunteered for Community Speed Watch.
 - e Footpaths:** Brambles are very bad by (Aha). The Parish Council agreed for the Occold Walks leaflet to be placed in PC filing cabinet in the village hall.
 - f Community Support Group:** Closed – finished.
- 12 Correspondence:** There was a discussion over asbestos being removed from the council houses in Redlingfield Road, there was confirmation that this was dealt with in the correct manner and removed correctly.
- 13 Any other matters for information to be noted, or for inclusion on a future agenda:** Closing the village, better passing places.
- 14 Next scheduled meeting:** 5th October 2026
- 15 Meeting closed** 9:01pm