

Blofield Parish Council



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You are invited to a Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 21st July 2025 at 7:30pm at Blofield Courthouse for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and introduction to the meeting by the Vice-Chair
- 2. To consider apologies for absence
- 3. To receive Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensation on items on the agenda
- **4.** Open Forum for parishioners to raise questions on and/or make statements about matters on the agenda and to receive a report from the District Councillor and County Councillor
- 5. To approve the Annual Parish Council Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd May 2025
- **6.** To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd June 2025
- 7. To report on matters arising from the Minutes not on the Agenda: For information only

8. PLANNING

Application: 2025/1940

Proposal: T1 Ash – reduce branch ends of southern aspect of crown by 1.5-2m, T2 Acer – To crown

lift to 5m clearance to the adjacent outbuilding

Location: Fir Tree House, 86 Mill Road Blofield, NR13 4QS

Application: 2025/2031

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear/side extension Location: 18 Newstead Gardens, Blofield, NR13 4FN

9. To consider feedback on any planning applications received subsequent to the publication of this agenda and note any planning updates (including 2020/0077)

PROJECTS

- **10.** To receive an update from our solicitors / NCC Children's Services regarding the Blofield Park land transfer to the Parish Council, approve the UKPN Lease and agree any necessary actions (EB)
- **11.** To receive an update on the fencing installation for the forest school area and receive an update on the cost of fencing/gates at the entrance to Blofield Park (EB)
- **12.** To receive an update on the tender process for RIBA Stages 3-6, review shortlisted companies and agree next actions (SD/EB)
- **13.** To receive an update from the meeting with the Preschool to review responsibilities for the Preschool / Parish and agree next actions (SD)
- **14.** To receive an update on the Blofield Park Greater Norwich Growth Board application and agree next actions (SD/EB)

FINANCE & GOVERNANCE

15. To approve invoices for payment, note council funds and review internal monthly checks (SO/SD)

- **16.** To receive an update on the meeting with the VAT consultant, providing advice to the Parish Council regarding VAT on the Blofield Park Community Hub project and agree next actions (SO)
- 17. To consider any Parish Partnership Scheme funding bids for 2026/27 (SD)
- **18.** To consider a Diversity and Equality Policy for Blofield Park / Blofield Courthouse and agree any necessary actions (EB)
- **19.** To consider further an Awards for All application and consider next actions (SD/EB)
- 20. To consider a funding request to the Norfolk Community Fund (SD)

CORRESPONDENCE

- **21.** To receive an update on the working party for the Forest School site at Blofield Park in September and agree next actions (EB)
- **22.** To receive an update regarding the next phase of the Solicitor's Room repairs and agree next actions (EB)
- **23.** To receive an update on the Farman Way bin collection, consider the cost and agree next actions (SO)
- 24. To consider the asbestos review for Blofield Courthouse and agree next actions (EB)
- 25. To consider a parish boundary change request from Brundall Parish Council (EB)
- 26. To consider requesting funding for any bus shelter improvements / seating etc (SD)
- **27.** To receive an update from the Woodbastwick Road Pedestrian Crossing Assessment and agree next actions (PC-B)
- **28.** To note parishioners concerns regarding speeding on Bullacebush Lane resulting in accidents and agree any actions (EB)
- 29. To receive an update on Marty's Marsh and agree any necessary actions (YB)
- **30.** To receive an update from the Royal Voluntary Service meeting (SD)
- **31.** To receive an update from the parish walks and agree any necessary actions (YB)
- 32. To receive an update from the recent Heathlands Management Committee meeting (YB)
- 33. To receive an update from the Margaret Harker Hall Management Committee meeting (SD)
- **34.** To consider signing an Armed Forces Covenant (SD)
- **35.** To receive an update on the defibrillator cabinet at Heathlands (EB)
- **36.** To review a draft newsletter for the parish (SD)
- **37.** To receive the clerk's report and correspondence (SO)
- **38.** Items for the next agenda (SD)
- **39.** Confirmation of an August meeting (SD)
- **40.** To confirm the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council Monday 8th September 2025 at 7:30pm at Blofield Courthouse

Sarah Osbaldeston Parish Clerk 14 July 2025

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