



SEA PALLING & WAXHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday 27th April 2026 at 6.30pm
Sea Palling & Waxham Village Hall

Present: Val Bird (Chair), Clive Preston (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Gina Casson, Amanda Draper and Patricia Rowe.

In Attendance: County Councillor Richard Price, District Councillor Harry Blathwayt, 4 members of the public and Becky Furr (Parish Clerk).

Public Participation

County Councillor Price presented his report on County matters, which included the following:

- Confirmation that Norfolk Police, Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service, and Norfolk County Council supported the proposed TRO for Beach Road.
- The SAM2 device is currently not operational; the battery is scheduled to be replaced on Thursday. Clive agreed to access the dashboard to review alerts and messages, as Richard does not have access.
- Richard proposed reinstating the 12-week rotation of the SAM2 with Hickling Parish Council. He confirmed that agreed locations (29 September 2019) include Waxham Road (both directions), Stalham Road, and Beach Road; however, only one Waxham Road site is currently listed on the dashboard. Clive agreed to update the locations using What3Words references.

Cllr Bird presented County Cllr Price with gifts from the parish council (councillors/clerk whip round) to thank him for his support and service to Sea Palling for the last 19 years.

District Councillor Blathwayt presented his report on District matters, which included the following:

- Thanks to County Cllr Price for his support.
- Notification that public access to the permissive path from Horsey Mill to the beach has been withdrawn. This raises safety concerns for visitors who may instead use the main road. District Councillor Blathwayt will raise these concerns with North Norfolk District Council.
- Ongoing action regarding a planning enforcement issue at The Marrams.
- Congratulations to the Youth Council.

Main Meeting

1) Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and ACCEPTED from Cllr Burrell and Cllr Deary.

2) Declarations of interest and request for dispensations

Cllr Preston declared an interest in item 6b as Chair of the Village Hall.

3) Minutes of the last parish council meeting

The minutes of 23rd March 2026 were APPROVED and signed as a true and accurate record.

4) Matters Arising

- a. The bus shelter has been installed; solar lighting will be fitted shortly.
- b. The leaseholder of the first car park on Clink Lane has agreed to explore provision of a disabled parking space.

5) Planning

No applications were received for consideration.

6) Finance

a. Payments received (after the agenda was published) and NOTED		
NNDC	Precept – 1 st half	£7296
NCC	FiLP Grant (Beach Wheelchairs, Signage and Padlocks)	£9500.53
b. Payments APPROVED		
B.Furr	Clerks Expenses including public toilet signage, application for road closure on 21.06.26 community event and paediatric pad for village hall defibrillator	£225.68
SP&W Village Hall	Room Hire for 2025/26	£136.00
NNDC	Annual Dog Bin Emptying – Churchyard	£279.30
	Annual Litter Bin Emptying – Beach Road	£96.72
	Annual Litter Bin Emptying – Mill Road	£182.28
c. Payment agreed by standing order or direct debit (information only)		
B.Furr	Clerks Salary – March 26	£607.68
HMRC	PAYE – March 26	£69.08
		Credit of £991.40 -
		£69.08 Balance £922.32 credit

- d. The budget and cashbook for Quarter 4 was circulated to the council prior to the meeting and REVIEWED accordingly.

7) Parish matters

- a. Sea Palling & Waxham Youth Council held their first meeting at 5.30pm, today. They have elected a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. They are holding a planning meeting on the 11th May at 5.30pm at Sandy Hills Snack Bar to discuss how they would like to contribute to the Community Summer Solstice event. The next youth council meeting will need to be rescheduled to May, as meetings are every other month and the parish council do not meet in August and December. The parish council stated how proud they are of the young people that have put themselves forward and are looking forward to listening to their ideas.
- b. 4G Telephone Mast. MP Steff Aquarone has contacted a provider (Cornerstone), which is liaising with landowners in Hickling and engaging with the parish council regarding a potential site.
- c. Summer Solstice and Community Christmas Carols event. Another planning meeting was held yesterday. 3 live music acts have been arranged. The clerk obtained a quote for a circus workshop and it was AGREED the clerk will ask Lovat's to sponsor this. Sandy Hills Snack Bar have a hot dog cart they will be using on the day. Beach Rock Café plan to do some sweet treats and a burger special as it is also Father's Day. A face painter is being sourced. Ria has agreed to put together a poster which will be publicised in the next fortnight. The clerk has

applied for a street road closure so that the communal area by the ramp is not available for parking.

- d. Removing discarded cones and barriers on Clink Lane. Cllr Casson offered to round these up and store them in the car park. The clerk will liaise with Highways to collect them, including the flood sign on Stalham Road.
- e. Improving visibility at the public park. Cllr Draper inspected the area and reported that it needs tidying up, but this will not improve visibility as the public park is surrounded by hedging. The clerk will contact SP&W Community Trust to see if this can be tidied up.
- f. Additional TRODS on Waxham Road. After a lengthy discussion it was AGREED to liaise with the newly elected County Councillor to see if there was any scope/funding for this and consider if Highways would allow benches. Cllr Preston AGREED to send the clerk the Whats 3 Word reference and will check with Highways. It is not illegal to park in this area, and some residents currently use it for parking.
- g. Beach wheelchair matters. It was AGREED to launch the free beach wheelchair hire service on Saturday 2nd May. The booking system has been updated accordingly so it is clear hirers must be able to stand and bear weight on their legs in order to safely transfer. The clerk has emailed Russell Tanner at NNDC to find out if the beach wheelchairs can be stored in the public toilets and whether there is an opportunity to revisit a Changing Place facility, but has not had a response. District Councillor Blathwayt suggested the clerk contacted Emily Capps at NNDC.
- h. Dog bin on Beach Road/Clink Lane. It was AGREED to return the bin to its original location by the bus stop, but on a higher post to improve visibility. Cllr Bird AGREED to speak to Mr Leveridge.

8) Broad's Plan 2027-2032 Review Consultation

It was AGREED not to comment, as the plans do not directly impact Sea Palling and Waxham.

9) Items for inclusion on the next agenda

- Grass cutting at the Churchyard
- 4G Telephone Mast
- SAM2
- Outside tap at Public Toilets

10) Next Annual Parish Council Meeting

This will be held on Monday 18th May 2026 at 6.30pm at Sea Palling Village Hall, Waxham Road, NR12 0UP. The first item on the agenda will be to elect a chair, followed by a vice chair.

Meeting closed 7:23pm.