

Ilketshall St. Andrew Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting of Ilketshall St. Andrew Parish Council at
Ilketshall St. Andrew Village Hall 6th July 2026 at 7.30pm

Present – Cllrs. Godfrey, Hall, Braid, A Ward, P Ward and C Ward

Members of the public - 2

1. Apologies – to consider accepting apologies for absence from the Councillors.
Cllr. Apps gave apologies, noted. Agreed.
2. Declarations – Pecuniary and Other: to record declarations of interest from
Members for any item to be discussed, under pecuniary and other.
There were no declarations made.
3. Adjournment – Public Participation. [For information; 3 minutes per member, 20
minutes total, maximum.]
There were no public questions.
4. Minutes. Confirmation and signing of the Minutes of the meeting of May 2026
The minutes were agreed by those councillors present.
5. Matters Arising from the Minutes of May 2026, and Parish Clerk's update.
The Parish Clerk mentioned about the bank mandate, it was suggested a third
councillor be added as a back-up signatory, Cllr. Hall volunteered.
6. District Councillor and County Councillor reports.
Toby Hammond, Andy Specker (District Council reps) and Cty. Cllr. Aiano (Suffolk
County Council rep).
7. To discuss any Planning Applications/Decisions received.
 - a. To receive and discuss any *updates* on planning application DC/26/0759/FUL
(refused), change of use at small holding next to Three Ways.
Comments – Application had been refused. An eight page document; available on the
planning portal as to why the application was refused by the District Council. It was
requested that the parish council be kept up to date.
 - b. To receive and discuss any *updates* on planning application DC/25/2109/FUL
(Ringsfield solar farm) and cabling routes. Email sent to the company, expressing
thanks.

8. To discuss and agree on the finances:

a. Update on the financial position of the Parish Council, and to discuss & agree any payments due.

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
6 th July 2026	M Salazar	Wages (5 months)	£1090.09
1 st April 2026	SALC	Membership	£184.30

The above payments were agreed.

9. To discuss and agree any highways issues:

a. To receive an update on speed watch on Top Road

Cllr. Braid confirmed that Suffolk Police were running a two week campaign locally for speeding and a national campaign to reduce alcohol and drug driving.

A resident informed the parish council that they had spoken to SCC regarding getting a bus stop at the end of Top Road Ilketshall St Lawrence A144 end and the junction at Ilketshall St. John. Buses do not stop as there were no bus stop signs but it was still showing on the maps.

b. To receive any data from the Speed Indicator Devices on Top Road

Cllr. Godfrey would be adding the solar panel, more statistics would be available at the next meeting.

10. Council to request that Highways remove the damaged poles and concrete footings, to avoid an impression of neglect and dereliction and to remove a potential hazard to road users, including horse riders and cyclists.

Action: Parish Clerk to enquire as to why it hasn't already been sorted resolved.

11. What can the council do to help residents who need extra support during the heat waves.

It was felt that the village looked after each other so it wasn't necessary to do anything at the moment.

Cllr. Hall asked if 5 noticeboards were needed in the village, it was suggested to add an agenda item to the next meeting.

12. To finalise any outstanding arrangements regarding the employment of the new Parish Clerk. Deferred to the next meeting, as although somethings had been actioned there were a couple of things left to do.

13. To discuss how we can better manage items that arise between meetings.

If contentious then an Extraordinary meeting would be called, if not then it would be dealt with via email and then minuted at the next meeting.

14. To agree a date for councillors to switch to the new email addresses.

It was felt the process was too involved. Parish Clerk to speak with Cllr. Apps regarding support for email accounts.

15. For information, to mention Suffolk Connected, an online service from the Suffolk Constabulary which “provides news & updates on policing matters”, a way to contact neighbourhood police and comment on local policing priorities. Noted.

16. Next council meeting date 7th September 2026

17. Meeting Closed at 9pm