

KESSINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the **Planning & Highways Committee** **Meeting held at 10.00am on Wednesday 20th August 2025** in the Council Chamber, Marram Green

Members present: Councillors C. Cook, I. Graham (Vice-Chair), N. Glendinning & D. Pope-Brannon

Other Members present: Cllrs S. James & East Suffolk Cllr A. Green

Clerk to the Meeting: S. Hogg (Acting Parish Clerk), D. Blowers (Admin & Committee Clerk)

55. Welcome

The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained the meeting protocol.

56. To Elect a new Chair for the Committee

Cllr Graham proposed Cllr Saunders as the new Chair for the Committee. This was seconded by Cllr Pope-Brannon with all in favour.

57. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Saunders and acceptance of apologies was proposed by Cllr Pope-Brannon, seconded by Cllr James with all in favour.

58. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from Councillors on items on the Agenda and it was noted that there were no written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests nor dispensations granted.

59. Minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Glendinning proposed the minutes of Planning and Highways Committee meeting held on 9th July 2025 be adopted as an accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Pope-Brannon with all in favour.

60. Public participation on Planning Applications.

Cllr Green attended on behalf of the East Suffolk Council.

61. Planning Applications to be considered

- 61.1 **DC/25/2915/VOC** Variation of Condition No.2 of DC/22/1085/FUL - Construction of a new two-bedroomed dwelling - Correct drawings from original approved drawing, formalise some site levels, change materials to improve buildability and remove link between new and existing to improve buildability.[6 Green Lane Kessingland Lowestoft Suffolk NR33 7RP

Councillors discussed this application and Cllr Graham proposed that the council recommend refusal on the grounds that when the committee recommended approval of the original application it was on the grounds that the new dwelling was linked to the original one. This was seconded by Cllr Cook with all in favour.

Cllr Graham proposed objection to this application regarding Condition 5 to avoid unacceptable impact upon neighbouring residential properties. This was seconded by Cllr Glendinning with all in favour.

61.2 **DC/25/2855/FUL**|Construction of Dwelling & Materials - Self Build|50 Wash Lane Kessingland Lowestoft Suffolk NR33 7QY

The committee discussed this application and Cllr Graham proposed the council recommend approval as self-build properties should be encouraged. This was seconded by Cllr Glendinning with all in favour.

61.3 **DC/25/3053/FUL**|Change of use of the land for the siting of 8 static caravans and 8 touring caravans for Gypsy / Traveller occupation. Use of existing access. Associated hard and soft landscaping improvements with biodiversity enhancements.|Land West Of London Road Kessingland Suffolk

Councillors discussed this application at length and various points were raised, including the fact that in the neighbourhood and local plans it states that open countryside is protected from development. It was also noted that Anglian Water do not have the ability to dispose of surface water and this would contribute to the flooding issues that are already present within the village, and no suitable alternative has been put in place. On these grounds Cllr Graham proposed refusal of this application, this was seconded by Cllr Pope-Brannon with all in favour.

62. Other Matters

62.1 An email from a resident regarding the Kingsley application was noted and a response will be made.

62.2 An email was received from a resident expressing interest in using any available vacant land (rent/sale for business purposes). The enquiry was noted, and it will be suggested that the resident contacts KHINT to pursue the matter further.

62.3 Cllrs discussed the email received concerning Natural England. Cllr James proposed that, going forward, the matter be referred to Cllr Boyle, given his role as Beach Warden.

63. Date of next meeting.

Cllrs noted the date of the next Planning Committee meeting will be Wednesday 3rd September 2025 at 10am.

(Please note that the meeting will be cancelled if there are no applications to be considered).

64. Items for the next agenda

Cllrs noted that due to the frequency of Planning Committee meetings, items for the next agenda need to be received by the Friday immediately following this meeting (with the exception of planning applications).

65. Exclusion of the Press & Public

No members of the public attended.

66. Close of meeting

This meeting closed at 10.38am.