

Tuddenham St Martin Parish Council

Minutes of Tuddenham St Martin Extraordinary Parish Council meeting, held on 28th October 2025 commencing at 7:30 pm at the village hall, chaired by Mr W Pipe.

Present: Mr W Pipe (Chairman), Mr H Brightwell (Vice Chair), Councillor Mr D Lugo, Miss S Charalambous (Clerk & RFO), one member of the public.

1. Chairman's welcome and apologies for absence.

Apologies from Councillors Mr Beckett, Ms P Procter, Mrs K Lindsay, Mr J Bird.

2. Declarations of interest (Declarations can be made at any time during the meeting when a relevant matter arises).

None received.

3. Public Forum – For a short interval, residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chairman.

a. A member of the public is requesting formal minutes are to be taken at any future meeting with the Keightley Way Sub Committee and Bennett Homes, as conflicting responses were provided to them from each party.

ACTION – The PC are to discuss appointing a minute taker at the next meeting to allow clarity of meeting outcomes.

b. DC/25/3574/OUT: A member of the public stated they are in favour for the planning; however, they feel the application is not thorough enough and does not meet basic requirements. The environmental plan does not provide suitable access or a drainage system.

4. Approval of minutes from the meeting on 30th September 2025.

Approved.

5. Planning Matters:

DC/25/3574/OUT: Outline Application (Some Matters Reserved) 2 no. self-build dwellings and associated development.

The above planning was discussed and the main concern raised was access to the site via Clopton Road. The councillors felt the road is unsuitable for increased traffic volumes which will be caused by the new development, and would therefore increase the risk to pedestrians and drivers.

It was decided that the planning application is to be objected due to this. However, should the proposal be approved, the parish council would like to request that the speed limit on the approach roads from Grundisburgh Road leading to Clopton Road and Sandy Lane be reduced to 30mph as a condition of approval.

There was discussion of possible contamination to the land as to date no toxicity testing has been formally carried out, however this is not confirmed.

ACTION – Parish Clerk Sophia Charalambous to write formal objection and submit by the deadline of 30th October 2025 - COMPLETE

6. ROSPA Playground Report:

a. The ROSPA report is being investigated and the equipment will be checked following the notes and recommendations given.

Councillor J Bird will retrieve quotes for replacement parts and wooden posts.

The councillors agreed to fund up to £200 for replacement parts.

b. It was noted that a dismantled shed has been dumped at the back of the playing field which could cause potential danger.

ACTION – Councillors to find out which property backs onto the playing field where the broken shed is placed and discuss the matter further, to arrange the removal/correct disposal.


7. Meetings Attended

- a. LGR and ONE Suffolk Proposal – 15th October 2025 - Councillor Procter attended.
- b. Call for Sites, Parish and Town Council Briefing – 22nd October 2025 – Councillor Lindsay attended.

8. Clerk's Report

- a. A letter has been sent via email to the owners of The Old Stores on 14th October 2025 regarding the dispute of land ownership.
- b. A letter has been sent via email to Poplar Farm on 28th October regarding site access for Bennett Homes.
- c. Proposed next meeting dates for 2026: 6th January, 3rd March, 5th May, 7th July, 1st September, 3rd November.
- d. Humber Doucy Lane planning outcome: DC/24/0771/OUT
Appeal (AP/24/0059/REFUSE) The appeal is still in process and no further documents have been uploaded since June 2025.

Date of next meeting: 2nd December 2025.



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