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Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 28th September 2026 at 7.30pm.

Attendees: Cllr Guy Nelson (chair), Cllr Gill Isbell, Cllr Purdie Linnell, Cllr Liza Sinclair, Cllr Kathy Saich

26/088 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Bob Jemmett

26/089 **To receive members' declaration of interests in items on the agenda**
Councillors to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary interests, and non-pecuniary interests not already declared.

26/090 **Acceptance of minutes dated 28th July 2026**
Acceptance of minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting date 17th September 2026

26/091 **Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest.**
Mark DeRoy- asked about the speed limit change request.

District Councillor Report- Cllr Bush spoke about the Local Plan consultation. The deadline is 19th October, ready to be submitted to The Planning Inspector for November. If the deadlines are not met, TDC will have to start the whole process again.

Cllr Bush also noted the LGR has been stopped, and the District and Parish elections will be held next year.

Cllr Bush is also seeking active Parish Council Nominees for Pride of Tendring Awards.

County Councillor Report- available on the website

26/092 **Clerks Report**
Resignation of Bob Stephens: Following the resignation of Cllr Bob Stephens, the vacancy for the councillor position will now be advertised. The Parish Council extends its sincere thanks to Bob for all his hard work and dedication over the years.
The RBL Tommy Soldier Statue has been purchased.
The clerk confirmed the cancelled Fireworks Display communications have been published.
The External Audit has been completed and returned by PKF Littlejohn, with no matters arising. .

Finance

26/093 **Payments**

a) To receive monthly finance update and approve payments **(appx 1)
b) To note and apply the annual cost of living increase under the NALC contract for clerks salaries.

Proposed: Cllr Isbell
Seconded: Cllr Linnell
Agreed by all

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26/094 **Planning**

a) To review and submit comment of the following applications:

Application for Listed Building Consent - Single storey rear extension and alterations for private use.
The Granary Barn Bradfield Road Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2SH
Ref. No: 26/01379/LBC · Received: Fri 04 Sep 2026 · Validated: Thu 10 Sep 2026

Householder Planning Application - Single storey rear extension and alterations for private use
The Granary Barn Bradfield Road Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2SH
Ref. No: 26/01378/FULHH · Received: Fri 04 Sep 2026 · Validated: Thu 10 Sep 2026

Recommendation: No objection.

Householder Planning Application - Erection of 4 bay cart lodge (following removal of existing outbuilding).
Show more description
Old Thatched Cottage Stones Green Road Tendring Clacton On Sea Essex CO16 0DD
Ref. No: 26/01290/FULHH · Received: Mon 17 Aug 2026 · Validated: Mon 24 Aug 2026

Recommendation: No objection

Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act for Variation of Conditions 2 (Approved Plans) of application 20/00496/FUL to move current position of utility back door to the side to accommodate air source heat pump.
Show more description
Land adjacent to Mulberry Croft Harwich Road Wix Essex CO11 2RY
Ref. No: 26/01251/VOC · Received: Tue 11 Aug 2026 · Validated: Thu 10 Sep 2026

Recommendation: No objection

26/01271/FULHH
Householder Planning Application -Rear and side extension and erection of front porch.
1 Abbey Cottages Bradfield Road Wix Manningtree Essex CO11 2SH

Recommendation: No objection. Is the cladding in keeping with the historic nature of that part of the village.

Proposed: Cllr Nelson
Seconded: Cllr Saich
Agreed by all.

b) Local Plan

Tendring District Council is carrying out a review of the Tendring District Local Plan to ensure it remains up to date, effective, and capable of guiding development in the District up to 2043.

The Council is now publishing the Tendring District Local Plan Review 2026-2043 and Beyond Submission Version September 2026 and associated Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment as part of the Regulation 19 stage of consultation. This marks the third and final formal opportunity for residents, businesses, community organisations, landowners, developers, and all other interested parties to comment on the plan.

This consultation will focus on whether the Local Plan meets the tests of legal compliance and soundness. Comments on matters outside the scope of the examination may carry limited weight in the examination process. Only representations submitted during this Regulation 19 consultation period will be considered by the independent Inspector as part of the examination of the Local Plan.

The consultation runs for just over six weeks, from Monday 7 September 2026 until 5pm on Monday 19 October 2026.

The Submission Version consultation document and supporting information are available
Paper copies can also be inspected at:
Public libraries across the District (during usual opening hours)
Clacton Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea (during usual opening hours)
Consultation Events

The Council will be holding a series of public drop-in events where Planning Officers will be available to explain the proposals and assist with the consultation process.

Mon 21st Sept Walton-on-the-Naze Homelands Free Church Garden Road Walton-on-the-Naze 8SJ 3pm – 7pm

Thurs 24th SeptBrightlingsea Brightlingsea Parish Hall Victoria Place Brightlingsea CO7 0BP 3pm – 7pm

Mon 28th Sept Harwich 1912 Centre Cow Lane Harwich CO12 3ES 3pm – 7pm

Wed 30th Sept Weeley Weeley Village Hall Old Clacton Road Weeley CO16 9LW 12pm – 4pm

Fri 2nd Oct Lawford Venture Centre 2000 Bromley Road Lawford CO11 2JE 3pm – 7pm

All representations must be received no later than 5pm on Monday 19th October 2026.

26/95 **Memorial Garden**
Following a discussion, it was resolved to move £2,500 of memorial garden funds to cover pond maintenance work, including clearing bushes/trees, installing a new fence behind the bench, and considering a pond dipping area.
Proposed: Cllr Isbell
Seconded: Cllr Nelson
Agreed by all

26/096 **Play Area repairs and refurbishment**

1) To resolve to make repairs to the 'house' steps, and wet pour surface- budget of £1500.00
2) To resolve to replace two of the three 'Springers'- budget £2500
3) To resolve to repaint the swing using the telephone box paint
4) To replace the toddler swing seats- budget £250 + delivery
5) To resolve to replace the yellow plastic caps on the 'house' budget £0.50 each x 100, £50
6) To resolve to replace nuts and bolts with stainless steel on the 'house' as required, budget £200
7) To resolve to re-face the sign at the front of the play area – budget £100
8) To resolve to replace the path across the village hall land to the play area with a new block paving path, budget £2,500

All above work except for items 2 and 7 to be carried out 'in-house' where possible.

Following a discussion, it was resolved to complete all the work stated above.
Working group to start on the in-house jobs, and pull together proposed springers to show Wix and Wrabness Preschool for their feedback.
To seek quotes for the path repair. This will be done as a donation to the Village Hall, who own the path.

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Proposed by Cllr Guy Nelson
Seconded by Cllr Purdie Linnell
Agreed by all

26/097 **Crime Report**

25/098 **Correspondence**.
To receive a request from a resident, for field hire for 19th June 2027.

26/099 **Reports, updates and matters of continuing reference.**

- **Highways-** Sign near Oakley Road needs replacing.
- **TDALC:** Purdie Linnell noted as a possible candidate following Bob Stephens resignation.
- **Village Hall:** No meeting.
- **Pond:** Covered under item 26/095

26/100 **Items to be added to next/future Agenda/ matters of continuing reference.**
Tree survey**,** new noticeboards, store door

26/101 **Items of interest and note.**
Next Council Meeting Monday 18th October 2026, 7.30pm
Please note there is a new website and contact email address

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