

Brundish Annual PARISH Meeting
Wednesday, 6th May 2026
Held at Brundish Village Hall, 7.30pm

Those Present: Cllr Matthew Hick (SCC); Rozanne Bryant – Wilby WI; Tim Gillingham – PCC & Tree Warden; *Carl King – Educational Trust;
+ *Brundish PC Councillors: S Kelly (Acting Chair); Cllr C King (RFO); Cllr K Clabburn
Clerk: Amanda Austin.

Clerk: Amanda Austin welcomed All to the Annual Parish Meeting.	
Members of the Public in attendance: 0	
Agenda Item:	
1.	To receive Apologies for absence: Cllr N Parsons/ Cllr P Smiddy & Cllr S Grant. + District: Cllr A Linder
2.	To accept the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held 7.5.2025. No matters arising – Minutes accepted and signed by Cllr Stephen Kelly.
3.	To receive Annual Reports from:
3.1	Suffolk County Councillor: Cllr Matthew Hicks for the Thredling Division Referring to his 2026 Annual Report, Cllr M Hicks spoke of Council budget protecting frontline services, particularly in Adult & Children’s social care / Council remains opposed to the Norwich to Tilbury pylon project / 45 Libraries brought back under Suffolk CC’s care / Suffolk’s new Fire & Rescue Service 999 Emergency Control Room (incl floods & wildfires), is now active. See attached SCC April & Annual Reports. Cllr Stephen Kelly thanked Cllr M Hicks for his attendance.
3.2	District Councillor: Cllr Anders Linder – sent apologies as unable to attend. Both April & Annual Reports had been circulated to Brundish PC Councillors for their prior review. See attached District April & Annual Reports.
3.3	Brundish Village Hall – see attached: Annual Report 2025-26 Carl King spoke on behalf of Neil Parsons, referring to NP’s Annual Report 2025-26. “The Hall has had another successful year and is in regular use. Our finances remain healthy. Trustees and management committee membership remains stable. Maintenance and improvement works have continued over the year and the hall is generally now in very good condition. The management team is active and committed.” Cllr Stephen Kelly thanked Carl King for delivering the Report.
3.4	The Education Fund – c/o Carl King Carl King explained how The Brundish Educational Fund came about and its purpose: “... to make awards or grants to young persons engaged in Primary, Secondary or Further Education, resident in the Parish of Brundish and are in need of financial assistance.” Over the past 2-years we have awarded over £2,000. To see examples of support, please read attached: Annual Report 2025-26 Cllr Stephen Kelly thanked Carl King for his Report.

3.5	<p>Brundish Parish Council – Annual Report 2025-26 (Cllr N Parsons) Cllr Stephen Kelly spoke on behalf of Cllr N Parsons and the BPC Annual Report, which gave a positive vibes in all areas of operating the Brundish Parish Council. See attached: Brundish PC Annual Report 2025-26</p>
3.6	<p><u>Local Organisations:</u> ...</p> <p>a) Wilby Women’s Institute – c/o Rozanne Bryant Wilby WI meet at Wilby Village Hall on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Wilby WI is a vibrant, active WI with many “young-at-heart” members who take part in a variety of clubs and activities outside of regular meetings, who continue to provide friendship and support to one another throughout the more challenging times and celebrate the joyful, with a lot of fun throughout the year. See attached Wilby WI – Annual Report 2025-26 Cllr Stephen Kelly thanked Rozanne Bryant for her attendance & Report.</p>
	<p>b) Parochial Church Council – c/o Tim Gillingham Tim Gillingham gave an in-depth “worrying” report of various concerns i.e. Financial, general Maintenance etc., both current and near/long future with regard to the village’s historic St. Lawrence Church. Tim also wished to mention and thanked those villagers who regularly supported St. Lawrence Church. See attached Annual PCC Report 2025-26 Cllr Stephen Kelly thanked Tim Gillingham for his attendance & Report.</p>
	<p>c) Tree Warden - c/o Tim Gillingham Tim Gillingham reported on the Suffolk Tree Warden Network (STWN); the Tree Council, umbrella’d by The Woodland Trust and spoke of the Parish’s 2025 application of 610 saplings received for Hedgerow planting – further fruit trees were also offered. See attached Annual Tree Warden Report 2025-26 Cllr Stephen Kelly again thanked Tim Gillingham for his attendance & Report.</p>

Attachments: **Annual Reports 2025-26**

- SCC Thredling Div.: April & Annual Reports
- District: April & Annual Reports
- Brundish Village Hall
- The Educational Fund
- Brundish Parish Council

Local Organisations:

- Wilby WI
- PCC – Treasurer’s Report
- Tree Warden