



GREAT OAKLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Clerk: Mr D Land

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ON TUESDAY, 21st OCTOBER 2025 AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairman: Cllr M Bush

Vice Chairman: Cllr C Browne

Councillors: Cllrs C Browne, Eddy

District Councillor: Cllr M Bush

Essex County Councillor: Cllr D Land

3 members of the public were in attendance.

10 / 2025- 01 | Welcome

Cllr Bush welcomed everyone to the meeting.

10 / 2025 – 02 | Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Timmis.

10 / 2025 - 03 | Declarations of Interest

None declared.

10 / 2025 – 04 | To agree the minutes of the last meeting (23rd September 2025)

Resolved: That the minutes be agreed as a true record. Proposed Cllr C Browne, Seconded Cllr M Bush – all in favour.

10 / 2025 – 05 | Public Forum

MOP asked about a building being erected on Wix Road – it was outlined that the Chicken Farm is in the Parish of Wix.

No bus time tables in the shelters – **ACTION:** ask ECC what the process is?

10 / 2025 – 06 | Clerks report / Correspondence

Clerk reported the following matters:

- we slowly progress with the banking transfer
- precept has been received
- quote for the cutting of the hedges in and outside of the recreation field received – further concerns received from a resident backing onto the field
- communication about the graveyard and the chance for an ‘end of season’ cut – **ACTION:** have a walk around with Duncan – graveyard and recreation ground

10 / 2025 – 07 | Chairman’s Report

The Chairman noted:

- quiet month. Grant to lottery unsuccessful, the roof is water tight on the hall even in the recent stormy weather

10 / 2025 – 08 | District Councillor Report

Cllr Bush gave updates on the following points:

- nothing of note really taking place locally. Waste contract is due to renew in the new year.



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10 / 2025– 09 | County Councillor Report / Local Government Reform

Cllr Land gave an update on the following matters:

- Local Government reform presses on. Advertising of the proposals on the table is coming through the letterbox.

10 / 2025 – 10 | Reports

Parish Council Maintained Areas

Cllr Browne reported:

- visited Sparrows Corner recreation field – lovely space, need to consider the costs of annual maintenance

Public Rights of Way / Environment / Highways / Pavements

Cllr Browne reported:

- PROW's looking a little muddy and overgrown
- burial ground is overgrown slightly in places
- tree on entrance to recreation field has been cut back

TDALC

Cllr Eddy reported:

- Cllr Eddy asked the meeting how many penalty tickets have been served through new average cameras on the A120

Village Hall and New Community Facilities

- look at baby changing facility options
- toddler group put forward for Pride of Tendring award

10 / 2025 – 11 | To consider planning applications received from Tendring District Council

10 / 2025 – 12 | Cheques and finance authorisation

To consider this month's payments for approval.

Resolved: that this month's cheques be signed. Proposed Cllr M Bush, Seconded Cllr Eddy – all in favour.

10 / 2025 – 13 | Motions

There were none.

10 / 2025 – 14 | Agenda Items for Future Consideration

Soils | Grants | Bank change

Meeting closed 20:50pm

Date and Time of next meeting | 2nd December 7pm 2025 | Village Hall