

MEETING OF CAMPSEA ASHE PARISH COUNCIL, Tuesday 16th September 2025, 19.00 at Station House

PRESENT/ Participants: Clare Reid (CR), Nigel Pringle (NP) Felicity Gillott (FG), Nicola Snell (NS); Michele Dawson (MD), Klaus Fortmann, clerk (KF) ESC Cllr Sally Noble (SN) and members of the public

25.26 Apologies; SCC Cllr Alexander Nicoll (AN), Eddie Berger (EB),

25.27 Declarations of interest none

25.28 To consider requests for dispensation on agenda items - none

25.29 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting dated 15th July 2025

Notes approved as an accurate record and signed by CR;

25.30 Public Participation

Members of public attending participated in discussion re 25.31/32/34/35.

Cllr SN gave a brief report on recent issues, including better air quality standards around Stratford St Andrews linked predominantly to reducing speed limits but also possible impacts due to increase EV's. SN reminded PC to use ESC assistance in creating an Emergency Plan and also referred to the new initiative of 'Nature at Work'. SN also mentioned the ongoing Westerfield Quarry application, which will create severe impacts on local rural lanes.

25.31 Highways

1) The PC discussed the SZC permanent monitoring project and the total lack of detail and info on this still. Clerk (together with Marlesford PC) have chased numerous times but had no response. Cllr FG reported on her attendance of the Southern Transport Forum where the PC raised several issues.

It has also become apparent that SzC related lorries are not always displaying the logos they are supposed to display when on ops for SZC. This has been identified by numerous PC's now, with many lorries seen on road they are not supposed to be using. It appears there is no solution to this and that the promise of total monitoring of lorries was not feasible.

SzC acknowledged use of Rendlesham as a base for offices, but stated no lorries were located there. Clerk reported a lesser use of ILR by the contractors Hilux UV's. and also pointed out that road sweepers were often located there.

The queries about train were diss-allowed by STF, as it exceeded the allowed two questions. Clerk stated that CA seems not to be in the info loop when it comes to info on train issues by Network Rail and SzC. PC is hopeful that it should get updates via Cllr Nicolls, as he is very active with re to Melton train issues.

Cllr NS to take part in a SP&R on site meeting 26th Sept, as clerk is not able to attend.

2 Additional low cost no-SatNav signage was discussed, with the issue being queried by Cllr A Nicolls and highways. During discussions, residents also brought up Marlesford Road problems, where increased use by lorries and HGV's was reported. The PC will investigate whether/what appropriate action could be taken.

25.32 Planning Matters / Energy Projects

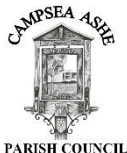
1/ DC 25/1481/VOC; Livery Development ILR; The PC objected to lighting application linked to condition 11 but had no objections to the changes re condition 2.

2/ DC/25/2733/FUL Deben Solar Farm Easton; The PC objected to the creation of a solar farm in the sensitive Deben Valley area.

3/ DC/25/2997 FUL; Gelevering Solar Farm; The PC objected to the creation of a solar farm in the sensitive Deben Valley area. Cllr SN stated that this development (Ancona) had the best community engagement, with many alterations agreed after consultation.

4/ DC/25/5550 FUL; Loudham Solar Farm; The PC objected to the creation of a solar farm in the sensitive Deben Valley area. This being a new application after a successful appeal, the developer has not changed scope/size and details in the new application, hence the PC re-iterating its objection to use of farmland and the material impact (visual) on the precious Deben Valley wetland area.

25.33 Play Area / Recreation ground



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1/ Clerk reported some issues re a broken bench table. He is in communication with volunteers. The Playare annual inspection will be forthcoming over next few weeks.

25.34 Village Hall

- 1/ Easement – awaiting deed finalisation between Clarke & Simpson and Greenwells.
- 2/ no further progress re refurbishment reported
- 3/ Parking issues continue being reported. VH to manage the space accordingly and suggestion to try and divert visitors to park at church.
- 4/ FG reported on Wifi proposals. Costs were deemed to high for current small use and it was suggested to enquire with local specialist to see whether a temporary mobile option could be implemented.

The VH is hosting a theatre play on 24th October and are also in discussions re a Scarecrow event to be held in spring 2026.

25.35 Clerks Report

- 1 Clerk reported oversubscription of the Thermal Imaging Initiative for this winter. PC is interested in pursuing this, should it become available again but would require some training of volunteers.
- 2 Clerk informed PC that change over to new email is finalised.
- 3/5 FG & CR reported on some planned events for 2026, including a Scarcrow competition (VH) and a Young Farmers event in Tunstall in 2026.
- 4 FG and clerk reported on Community Partnership meeting in Framlingham, which was perceived as being unsatisfactory with regards to proposed projects. Clerk wondered whether format was not working and whether a rethink would need to take place by ESC. PC agreed for clerk to discuss issue with ESC/Cllr Noble.

25.36 RFO Report

- 1/ RFO has produced the following statement

Payments received	£ 144.80 (Inv2602)
Balance on 30/08/25	£ 9059.21 in Community Account (Current)
	£ 3805.68 in Business Savings Account
	£ 12864.89

Expenditure to be approved

E26/13 Salary Clerk	£ 718.00
E26/14 ICO	£ 52.00
E26/15 RM Phoenix VV7	£ 120.00
E26/16 DBIT Support	£ 108.99
E26/17 ILECS Ltd /N Snell	£ 91.99
Total	£ 1090.98

Expenditure Yr to date (= approved payments) £ 4233.73

Balance after approved & uncashed chqs £ 11884.51

- 2 The PC authorised NALC pay rise for clerk SCP12 to £14.82/hr from April 2025 retrospectively.

- 3 The PC authorised £80 for strimming of church yard

- 4 The banking changes forms have been submitted now. The PC resolved for the clerk/RFO to use e-banking facilities and to become authorised/mandated to operate that accordingly. The CAPC STO will require to reflect those changes to the banking procedure within the PC.

- 5 The PC reviewed the Asset register and approved the Insurance proposal for 25/26.

25.37 Correspondence received

- all relevant communication passed on to PC members

Date of next meeting to be held:

The next PC meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th November 2025, from 19.00 in Station House.

Bold red initialled (xx) points refer to specific actions to be undertaken

Klaus Fortmann, Clerk ; 20/10/2025