

**Minutes of the Meeting of Partney and Dalby Parish Council held  
7pm 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 in the Victory Hall, Partney**

**Present:** Cllr Jacqueline Oliver (Chair)                      Cllr Beth Dawson    Cllr Caroline Hewlett  
                 Cllr Mick Lovelock   Cllr Emma Middleton                      Cllr Andy Ratcliffe    Cllr Sue Sargeant  
                 Cllr Packa Risi

Also in attendance: Jane Slaymaker – Parish Clerk  
                                 County Councillor Brookes  
                                 1 Member of the Public

No comments were made in the Open Forum.

40. The Chair opened the meeting at 7.05pm and introduced County Cllr Brookes.
41. No apologies were received.
42. No declarations of interest were received.
43. It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025. The Chair signed the minutes as a true record.
44. It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025. The Chair signed the minutes as a true record.
45. The District Councillor did not attend. County Councillor Brookes apologised for not being able to attend a meeting sooner. Cllr Brookes reported that the Fix My Street website and App had been improved. Free trees are available through the Woodlands Trust for another 2 years. The County Council's Repaint stalls at Recycling Centres are proving popular and there are plans to open Re-Use shops at other Recycling Centres following the success at Tattershall. Cllr Brookes will request a site visit from Highways with Councillors to discuss ongoing highway issues. Councillors updated Cllr Brookes regarding the street lighting position.
46. One application had been received for the Councillor vacancy. It was resolved to co-opt Jude Hunton. The Clerk to invite Mr Hunton to the November meeting.
47. **Finance**
  - a) The financial position was noted. Current account: £976.14. Interest/Reserves account: £10,564.78.
  - b) The bank reconciliations for June and July were checked and signed by Cllr Middleton.
  - c) The following payments were approved:
    - 26.06.25 Karl Valentine cemetery grass cutting June (Local Government Act 1972 s.214) £140.00
    - 26.06.25 Karl Valentine village grounds maintenance (Highways Act 1980 s.96) £76.00
    - 09.07.25 Lloyds bank fee £4.25
    - 22.07.25 ICCM Clerk Training – sexton duties £120
    - 24.07.25 Wave Cemetery water rates DD £89.85
    - 30.07.25 Karl Valentine cemetery grass cutting July (Local Government Act 1972 s.214) £140.00
    - 05.08.25 HM Land Registry Land Search charges Debit card £21.00
    - 11.08.25 SLCC 50% Clerk membership fee £56.00
    - 09.08.25 Lloyds bank fee £4.25
    - 29.08.25 Karl Valentine cemetery grass cutting August (Local Government Act 1972 s.214) £70.00

03.09.25 Doxdirect newsletter printing (Local Government Act 1972 s.142) Debit card  
£71.76

30.09.25 Salary £175.11 (LGA 1972 s.112)

09.09.25 Lloyds bank fee £4.25

31.10.25 Salary £175.11

d) To note any income received since the last meeting:

09.07.25 Interest £6.07

11.08.25 Interest £6.68

#### **48. Planning Matters**

- a) No planning applications had been received since the last meeting.
- b) No planning decisions and/or appeal notifications had been received since the last meeting.

#### **49. Village Matters**

- a) Highway issues had been discussed earlier in the meeting.
- b) It was agreed to review the temporary midnight switch off for the streetlight columns in Partney at the January meeting to allow a full 12 month period.
- c) It was agreed to contact LCC to reverse the temporary disconnection of the streetlight columns between Partney Fuel Station and the start of the houses on the Skegness Road and include these in the midnight switch off.
- d) Cllr Hewlett updated the situation regarding the Spilsby Doctors Surgery. A number of staff have left and it is expected delays will continue. If people have concerns it is suggested the Surgery is contacted initially then the Integrated Care Board and then the Ombudsman is still necessary. The use of the Airmed App might be helpful for patients.
- e) No feedback had been received from District Cllr Grover regarding the designation of Partney as a 'large village' in the 2018 Local Plan. The Clerk was asked to formally complain to ELDC concerning the level of support received from Cllr Grover.
- f) It was resolved to apply to the ELDC Community Grant Scheme for £800 to be used towards a new bus shelter to be erected on the Highways verge in front of the Red Lion Inn.
- g) It was agreed that the Clerk will write to properties adjoining a watercourse to remind occupiers of their responsibilities.

#### **50. Internal Council Matters**

- a) It was agreed to seek further quotations for a new bus shelter to be situated on the Highways verge in front of the Red Lion Inn and consider quotations at the November meeting.
- b) It was agreed to apply to LCC Bus Infrastructure for potentially 80%/£3000 of the bus shelter cost in the new year. Fundraising was suggested to help with costs and the Clerk was asked to look at other fundraising options.
- c) It was noted Cllrs Oliver, Ratcliffe and Sargeant had undertaken the Speed Watch Training. It was resolved to purchase the necessary equipment. Cllr Sargeant to obtain approval for the Speed Watch locations.
- d) The following policies were reviewed: Safeguarding, Equality & Diversity and Dignity at Work.
- e) Appointments for Lead Councillor for Housing and Broadband in line with the Parish Action Plan will be made at the November meeting.
- f) To receive Parish Plan updates from Councillors and resolve action
- g) Cllr Ratcliffe was waiting for an update from Partney school regarding the Emergency Action Plan.
- h) The Cemetery Memorial Inspection report was discussed. The unsafe memorials have now been laid flat. A notice to be put on the Cemetery advising people of the procedure.
- i) The Cemetery checklist was discussed. The railings will need repainting in 2026.

- j) It was resolved for the Clerk and Cllr Sargeant to draw up a specification for the cemetery grass cutting and the village grass cutting for tenders for the 2026-27 season for a period of three years.
- k) It was agreed that the Clerk's salary would be paid by way of monthly standing order.

### **51. Correspondence**

LCC asked for volunteers to help record Public Rights of Way assets. Cllr Lovelock put his name forward.

### **52. Clerk and Councillor Reports**

Cllr Sargeant reported on the latest Drop-in Session. Issues raised were street-lighting; overgrown pavements; Chapel Lane hedges; lorries parking at Partney Fuel Station and dog fouling. The Clerk reported that the treework at The Rectory, Scremby Road, Partney ref TPO 0059/25 had been approved by ELDC. Results of a Land Registry search the footpath adjoining Fairfield Place were received. This will be discussed at the November meeting.

**53.** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be 11<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm