

An Ordinary MEETING of the COMMUNITY & CLIMATE COMMITTEE was held on
Tuesday 10th February 2026 at 7.00pm
at Sheringham Community Centre and was attended by the following:

Chair: Cllr Langsdon

Councillors: Cllrs Brisbane, Heinink

In Attendance: Cllr Ralph Smith

Clerk/Minutes: Sophie Creasey

ITEM	MINUTE
2025/C&C/64	1. ELECTION OF CHAIR
	Meeting started at 7.08pm.
	It was agreed to defer this item due to several cllrs not being present and only one apology having been received.
2025/C&C/65	2. APOLOGIES
	Apologies were received and noted from co-opted member, Francis Farrow.
2025/C&C/66	3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS
	None declared.
2025/C&C/67	4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
	It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of Tuesday 4 th November 2025 as a correct record.
2025/C&C/68	5. OPEN MEETING
	There were no members of the public present for the meeting.

2025/C&C/69	6. CHRISTMAS TREE
	Cllrs considered whether to continue with the annual purchase of a live tree outside the Community Centre, or whether Council would like to source a reusable Christmas Tree going forward. Cllrs were unsure about different options and costs and would like more info. It was RESOLVED that the Office Manager will provide a report on the options, practicalities, and costs.
2025/C&C/70	7. COMMUNITY AWARDS EVENT
	Cllrs Jolley and Ashcroft joined the meeting at 7.20pm. It was made clear that there had been some confusion around the start time of the meeting as the agenda had stated 7.30pm, but several cllrs, the Chair, and the Office Manager had thought the meeting was set for 7pm. Apologies were given by the Office Manager for this error. It was RESOLVED that the event be delivered by the office in conjunction with the community awards working group, from 2027. This year the awards will be delivered as they have previously, at the Annual Parish Meeting.
2025/C&C/71	8. MEADOWLAND
	Cllrs Farrow and Bailey joined the meeting at 7.25pm. Cllr Jolley suggested that management plans be considered for ongoing maintenance and consideration should be given to grants that might be available. Cllr Brisbane pointed out that given that the small budget needs to be claimed in retrospect, it doesn't seem suitable as council are not in a position yet to purchase items. Cllr Jolley shared some ideas and options for managing the meadowland. Cllr Farrow suggested getting some of the free trees from the Woodland Trust. It was RESOLVED that the Office Manager speak to Francis Farrow regarding a plan for the areas that are to be scarified and then pass this to the Maintenance Technician to undertake the work. It was RESOLVED that Cllrs Jolley and Farrow will order some free trees from the Woodland Trust as appropriate.
2025/C&C/72	9. FRIENDS OF... VOLUNTEERS

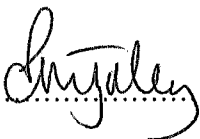


	Cllrs discussed the importance of engaging volunteers and the value this has for the community. It was RESOLVED to set up a friends of task and finish group to take this forward and bring back to the committee. It was agreed that this would be brought forward to the next meeting's agenda.
2025/C&C/73	10. COMMUNITY CENTRE WILDLIFE GARDEN
	Cllr Farrow said the area/size would need to be considered, and whether it should be fenced off. Cllr Brisbane asked that a full, clear plan be taken to Full Council and that it seems too ambitious to do this ahead of February's meeting. Cllr Jolley said it would be appropriate to be undertaken by those doing the Wildlife Garden Awards. Cllr Ashcroft raised that the garden is locked a lot of the time, especially over the weekends, and suggested that the idea needs more consideration. Cllr Brisbane agreed and raised that we are looking to expand the centre being hired out and need to consider whether this would be affected. Cllr Bailey raised concerns about having a pond with children using the garden, even if it were fenced off. The Office Manager shared information about A Pond for Every Parish scheme that may be good to consider for either the Community Centre, or elsewhere. It was RESOLVED that the Wildlife Garden Awards T&F group will consider options for viability and bring this back to a future committee.
2025/C&C/74	11. WILDLIFE DISCOVERY DAY
	Cllr Farrow said that she has struggled to find speakers that have availability for 9th May. It was noted that the T&F group will liaise regarding alternative dates.
2025/C&C/75	12. APPLICATION TO SMALL BUDGET
	The Office Manager provided some suggestions for potentially eligible spends, including sedum trials, commons winter works, and the Otterndorf wayfinding monolith. A report for the costs for the Sedum trials at the cemetery was discussed and considered. It was RESOLVED for Cllr Brisbane to liaise with the Projects & Assets Officer and Town Clerk regarding the Sedum works and the Monolith to see if these would be suitable for the funding.



	It was RESOLVED for the Projects & Assets Officer to go ahead with the recommendations made for the Sedum trials.
2025/C&C/76	1. ELECTION OF CHAIR
	Item 1 on the agenda was revisited. It was RESOLVED that Cllr Jolley be Chair of Community & Climate Committee for the remainder of the municipal year with immediate effect. It was RESOLVED that Cllr Langsdon be the Vice Chair of Community & Climate Committee for the remainder of the municipal year with immediate effect.
2025/C&C/77	13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
	It was RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Tuesday 7 th April 2026 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 20.29pm

Chair 

Date: 28/4/26