

BARKING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Barking village hall at 7.00pm on Thursday 14th May 2026

Present

Cllr M Tabberer (*Chair*), Cllr Bailey, Cllr Anderson, Cllr R Fellowes and Cllr A Ross

In Attendance

Mrs L Rogers *Clerk*

Bpc1/26 Election of Chairman – Cllr Tabberer was unanimously elected Chairman

Bpc2/26 Apologies – District Councillor D Pratt

Bpc3/26 Declaration of Interests and Applications for Dispensation

No interests were declared and no requests for dispensation had been received.

Bpc4/26 To Approve Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th April 2026

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th April 2026 were approved by the councillors and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Bpc5/26 Report from District Cllr Dan Pratt

Cllr Pratt was unable to provide a report this month

Bpc6/26 Public Forum

No matters raised

Bpc7/26 Election of Deputy Chairman – Cllr Fellowes was unanimously elected Deputy Chairman

Bpc8/26 Planning Matters

- a. The Councillors agreed to support planning application DC/26/01929 - Householder Application - Installation of an air source heat pump to provide hot water and heating at Timberleys, Needham Road, Barking
- b. The Councillors agreed to support planning application DC/26/01632 Application for Listed Building Consent - Replacement of front sole plate and removal of cement render and re-render with lime render Location: Browns Farmhouse, Willisham Road, Barking

Bpc9/26 Finance

- a. To complete Annual Governance Statement 2025/2026
- b. The Councillors approved the Bank Reconciliation at 31st March 2026
- c. The Councillors agreed and completed the Annual Governance Statement 2025/2026
- d. The Councillors agreed and completed the Accounting Statements 2025/2026
- e. The Councillors approved authorised payments made since the last meeting and to be made and noted any income received since last meeting
- f. The Councillors reviewed the Internal Audit report 2025-2026 and noted to display the AGAR's for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 on the website
- g. The Councillors reviewed and agreed the reserves
- h. The Councillors reviewed the Reconciliation of Accounts against Bank Statements

Bpc10/26 Path Along the Tye

The Ecological survey of the route of the footway as required by Planning will take place from the end of May to early June. The Councillors agreed to only have one crossing place. Clerk to let Bullard's know. The Highways Boundary search has been completed so the plans can be finalised.

Bpc11/26 Lower Church Path – The path has been resurfaced and it has made a huge difference to people using it.

Bpc12/26 Play Area Annual Report – The Councillors agreed to get quotes to fix the moderate risk issues raised.

Bpc13/26 Village Hall Management Committee – There will more advertising for the activities taking place. The Councillors recommended that the hire deposit needs to be raised

Bpc14/26 Benches in the Village

The Councillors agreed to cut back the tree shading the bench. Clerk to buy a new bench and store at Cllr Tabberer's house. Clerk to send examples of sturdy wooden and recycled plastic benches. It was agreed to ask the Forge to make 4 pairs of brackets to hold benches -Cllr Bailey to organise. The bench near the Mill Yard needs to be restored.

Bpc15/26 Reports from Councillors

New rubbish bins have not been issued to all houses – Cllr Fellowes has asked for these to be delivered. Clerk to arrange dead tree opposite Strawson's to be removed

Bpc16/26 Date of the Next Meeting

Parish Council Meeting Thursday 16th July 2026 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Chairman Date