

Great Ellingham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
held at the Recreation Centre on Wednesday 17 December 2025 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr P Ewin (Chair), Cllr R Croft, Cllr S Mellor (Vice-Chair), Cllr T Mellor & Cllr H Mellor
In attendance: Parish Clerk, 10 members of the public

1. **Chairman's Welcome** - The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. **To receive apologies for absence** – Apologies were noted from Cllr McDonald, Cllr Broughton & Cllr Bonner
3. **To receive any declarations of interest on any item on the agenda** – No declarations of interest were received.
4. **To confirm the Minutes of the meeting on 19th November 2025** – The Minutes were confirmed to be an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the chair.
5. **Open Forum – an opportunity for any parishioner to speak on parish matters and to hear reports from District and Council Councillors (15 Mins)** –
 - Neither the District or the County Councillors were present
 - A member of the public thanked the Parish Council for the 'Keep Clear' Markings which were now present at Walsingham Court
6. **To report matters arising not on the Agenda and to hear the chair's Report** – The Chair reported Cllr Southcott has resigned as a Parish Councillor and he wished him well and thanked him for his hard work. The developer of the Bowsfield Estate is to re-double their efforts to locate a retailer to take over the new retail unit. They are also happy to enter into a revised section 106 agreement for the remainder of the site. This would fix the financial offer at £725k in total, with split payments as £100k at full planning permission and the signing of the new 106 agreement, £100k at 50% dwelling occupation and £525k at 75% dwelling occupation.
7. **To receive reports from Councillors and/or Clerk** – None were received.
8. **Open Forum – an opportunity for any parishioner to speak on planning matters (15 mins)** – A member of the public raised their concern that if the retail outlet on Bowsfield was occupied, this may affect the current village store and post office. Another member of the public raised their concerns over application PL/2025/1711/FMIN commenting it was outside the planning boundary and may encourage more "back garden" building applications.
9. **To consider responses to planning applications, previously circulated** –
Appendix 1: Notification
PL/2025/1744/CLEUD – For information only.
PL/2025/1767/DCA – For information only.
Appendix 2: Consultation

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3PL/2024/0120/F – As this application does not close until the end of January, it was decided to defer until the January meeting.

PL/2025/1711/FMIN – OBJECTION – Outside the development boundary.

PL/2025/1749/HOU – NO OBJECTION.

APP/F2605/W/25/3375854 – APP/F2605/W/25/3375865 - APP/F2605/W/25/3375868 – These three appeals were noted.

10. To receive the financial report and consider the following payments – All were agreed.

NPTS – Whole Council Training – Planning	£450.00
Rec Centre – REC25_090 – Dec Mtg	£27.00
Broxap – litter bins	£1,195.20

11. To consider items from councillors: to be received by the clerk in advance of the meeting:

- Questionnaire/Public consultation re. Persimmon Homes – Cllr Croft – a questionnaire had been circulated to the councillors prior to the meeting and commented on. Following a few changes, this was to be circulated, including 50 printed copies, to as many residents as could be reached.

12. To consider correspondence received : all circulated

13. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 21 January 2026 at the Recreation Centre commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm