

**The next meeting of Lackford Parish Council on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7p.m. in Lackford Church.**

**Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting. There will be a public session near the start of the meeting to give members of the public and opportunity to speak to councillors informally about items on the agenda. Members of the public may stay and observe the rest of the meeting but may not address the Council.**

#### **AGENDA**

1. To accept apologies and reason for absence.
2. Declaration of interest by Councillors in items on the agenda and dispensation requests.
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025.
4. Public session (10 minutes).
5. County Councillors Report.
6. District Councillor's report.
7. Crime updates and any other Police issues.
8. To receive an update on the list of actions agreed at the last meeting.
9. To discuss the following financial issues:
  - a) Approval of payments and signing of Schedule of Payments
  - b) Approval of payments authorised between meetings:
  - c) To receive a statement of receipts and payments made since the last meeting.
  - d) Bank balances and confirmation of bank reconciliation as of 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026.
  - e) Update on the financial checks carried out by a councillor.
  - f) To review the receipts and payments for 2025/26 against the budget and discuss the level of reserves for general and earmarked expenditure.
  - g) To review the register of fixed assets and insurance values and check that the level of insurance cover is adequate.
  - h) To review the Council's risk assessment.
  - i) To check that the levels of liability insurance are adequate.
  - j) Review of confidential cashbook and deductions by a councillor.
  - k) To nominate a councillor to inspect the Council's property for damage or defects by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026 and complete the inspection checklist.
  - l) To confirm a donation to Lackford Community Council.
  - m) Closing the Cambridge Building Society Savings account and opening an alternative account.
10. To discuss any planning issues.
  - a) Proposed changes to the National Planning Policy Framework.
11. To discuss any highways/Rights of Way/tree/transport issues.
  - a) Update from the Suffolk Parish Road Safety Group about Suffolk County Council's new 20mph policy.
  - b) Speed camera signs for the A1101.
  - c) The Government's new Road Safety Strategy and 5 related consultations on:
    - Proposed changes to penalties for motoring offences
    - Mandatory eye testing for older drivers
    - Minimum learning period for learner drivers
    - Mandating safer technologies
    - Improving motorcycling training, testing and licensing
  - d) Parish Council survey carried out by Suffolk Highways.
12. To discuss any village issues.
13. To confirm the dates of meetings in 2026/27.
14. To agree the procedure and possible items for the Annual Parish Meeting.
15. To discuss the following correspondence:
  - a) Email from West Suffolk Council about their Five Dinners initiative which is free to West Suffolk Council residents.
  - b) Email from West Suffolk Council about changes to Renter's Rights which come into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026.
16. Any other business for noting or including on the agenda of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on

17. To resolve to exclude press and public under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960: the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of private and confidential information
  - a) To discuss staffing matters.