

# MELLIS PARISH COUNCIL

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I hereby give notice that the **Annual** meeting of **Mellis Parish Council** will be held in **Mellis Memorial Hall** on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May commencing at 6.00pm.

Councillors are summoned to attend. The Press and the Public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council, members of the public and the press may record, film, photograph or broadcast this meeting, when the public and the press are not lawfully excluded. Any member of the public who attends a meeting and wishes to record, film, and photograph or broadcast the meeting should advise the Chair prior to commencement of the meeting.

J Challis  
Parish Clerk  
17<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## AGENDA

- 1** To elect a Chair of the Parish Council 2026/27
- 2** Chair's welcome and to consider and approve apologies for absence
- 3** To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items
- 4** To consider requests for Dispensations on agenda items
- 5** To resolve the draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 are a true and correct record
- 6** Reports from County Councillor and District Councillor
- 7** Public Participation Session (10 minutes set aside)
- 8** Chair's Report
- 9** Clerk/RFO's Report
- 10** Members' consent to receive summons electronically
- 11** LGA Code of Conduct
- 12** Environmental issues, including:
  - NSIP and large-scale energy projects update
  - Biodiversity Action Plan
  - Mellis Common
  - Mellis Garden
  - Reinstating wellhead
- 13** Donation request received from the Messenger
- 14** To consider nominees for the Suffolk Community Awards
- 15** Traffic and highway concerns including VAS installation update
- 16** Updated quotation for works to Memorial Hall car park
- 17** Planning
  - To Consider:
    - DC/26/01709 - Application under S73 for Removal or Variation of a Condition following grant of Planning Permission DC/23/01494 dated 26/06/2023 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) - Construction and operation of Synchronous Condensers with ancillary infrastructure, and associated works including access and landscaping. - For non-compliance with and removal of Condition 12 (Use and Reinstatement of Temporary Access Track) To allow for the retention of the access as per submitted plans/documents. Land Between A140 And Leys Lane, Yaxley, Eye.

- DC/26/01708 - Full Planning Application - Permanent retention of the access road between the A140 and Leys Lane, Yaxley, Eye. Land Between A140 And Leys Lane, Yaxley, Eye.

To Receive an Update on:

- DC/26/01413 - The Progress Power (Gas Fired Power Station) Order 2015: Application pursuant to requirement 16(2) to amend working hours to include Saturday - Sunday (07:00 - 19:00) from 01st May 2026 to 30th April 2027 (Weekend extended hours). National Grid Yaxley 400kV Substation, Leys Lane, Yaxley, Eye, Suffolk, IP23 8DX.
- DC/26/00301 - Householder Application - Conversion of existing garaging and single storey rear extension to provide ground floor accessible bedroom and bathroom, with associated works. Mallard House, The Common, Mellis, Eye Suffolk IP23 8EE.
- DC/25/02824 Regener8 Power Red House Farm - Planning Application - Construction and operation of a Battery Energy Storage System, together with related infrastructure, access, drainage, landscaping and other associated works. Land West Of A140, Red House Farm, Yaxley, IP23 8BH.
- DC/25/03257 Regener8 Power Stone Cottages - Planning Application - Construction of ground mounted solar panel arrays and associated infrastructure which will have the ability to export 49.9MW (AC) electricity. Construction of new vehicular access. (EIA Development). Land At Stone Cottages, Bury Road, Botesdale, IP22 1QH.
- DC/22/00416 - Application for Outline Planning Permission (All matters reserved) - Erection of petrol and electric charging facility with associated shop; roadside restaurant with drive through facility; E(g) (formerly B1) and B8 starter units; HGV lorry parking facility for rest area and drivers' facilities as a phased development. Land Adjacent North Roundabout A140, Ipswich Road, Brome Part in The Parish of Thrandeston, IP23 8AW.

**18** To approve Accounting & AGAR statements 26/27

**19** To approve CIL expenditure report 26/27

**20** Finance

i) Confirmation of Barclays bank account balance

ii) Review and authorisation of payments presented

**21** Date and time of the next meeting