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MINUTES

of Lakenheath Parish Council meeting held on 7th April 2025 at the Methodist Church, Back Street

Present:

Cllr G Kelly (Chairman)
Cllr N Smith (Vice Chairman)
Cllr I Frost
Cllr A Gyte
Cllr J Hastings
Cllr W Overy
Cllr M Rowntree
Cllr D Smith

In attendance:

N. Glading (Parish clerk), C. Shimmon (RFO), Sqn Ldr A. Eaton, C/Cllr C. Noble and 7 members of the public

2025/174 Chairman's welcome, confirmation of recording and Apologies

The Chairman, Cllr Kelly, welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Mr M Blenkiron, A Cartwright-Thomas, Cllr M Hugo, Cllr P Gyte

2025/175 Public Participation: Representations from Members of the Public

(i) Lakenheath Spring Clean lead volunteer: we had a very good volunteer response (34 bags collected) for our recent litter pick/Spring Clean. Unfortunately, there was some focussed attack on Facebook. I tried to report the insulting comments to Lakenheath People but this was not possible as no moderators were available.

The Chairman asked that this is reported to the Police, particularly the comments that could be construed as racist.

The volunteer leading on Lakenheath Litter picks has, as a direct result of the insulting comments, decided not to continue with any volunteering.

The Chairman remarked that this is appalling, he will talk to the Lakenheath People site. There are, he believes, around 8,100 members of the site, with only 10 members who are particularly offensive and negative.

Cllr Rowntree told the meeting that comments on the site are not monitored. Cllr Gyte remarked that there is always an unconstructive element on Facebook.

2025/176 **Reports & Questions**

- a. **Update from Suffolk County Council Councillor** (C/Cllr C Noble)
Devolution: A copy of Suffolk's bid was distributed to councillors. C/Cllr Noble is not a fan of the two-tier system. Norfolk County Council and Suffolk County Council are appointing directors to look at May 2026 elections to elect a mayor.
The Boundary Commission will look at ward boundaries.
C/Cllr C Noble pointed out that this is a genuine opportunity for parishes to take on local responsibilities.
(C/Cllr C. Noble left the meeting)

- b. **Update from RAF representative** (Sqn Ldr Adam Eaton)
CND and the Lakenheath Alliance for Peace are planning to hold a Peace Camp outside Gate 1 during the period 14 -26 Apr. This will culminate in a National Action Day on 26 Apr. There will be an increased Police presence during this period.
The temporary Flight Restriction Zones remain in place around all USVF sites following the drone incidents at the end of last year. Work is underway to implement a permanent solution.
The Wing remains heavily committed to operations and exercises around the world with F35s currently deployed in support of Ex premier large force multidomain exercise in the Netherlands. A further squadron remains at high readiness, committed to provide immediate response to the European Command if required.
American response: SSgt Nicholas Whaling recently responded to a road traffic accident in Norfolk whilst returning home from RAF Lakenheath. His prompt action in pulling a UK civilian from a burning car undoubtably saved the individual's life.

Reminder from Cllr N Smith: please supply copy for Lakenheath Times, you are an integral part of the community.
(Sqn Ldr A. Eaton left the meeting)

- c. **Update from West Suffolk District Councillor** (D/Cllr T. Whitehand and or D/Cllr G Kelly *(Cllr Whitehand was not present)*)

D/Cllr G Kelly shared slides showing Lakenheath Primary School statistics (*Appendix A*). Eriswell Road is 1.2 miles away from school i.e. no transport
Lakenheath has had 17.5% of the growth but none of the infrastructure

School- survey 80% will drive to new school

School site road running alongside will be a cul de sac, a bizarre situation, no provision for drop off at the school. Cllr Kelly will escalate this; the WSC Chief exec and Chief of Planning are aware. There are two options:

1. Delay opening of the school, which would be disastrous.
2. Apply pressure to Persimmon, although the company seem disinterested.

Cllr Overy observed that younger children need to be accompanied when being dropped off.

Once the Active Lakenheath project started being spoken about, the Public Rights of Way people contacted the school and there will be a track, a right of way, which will run from the end of Maids Cross Way to Barr Drive. At the end of Barr Drive, there will be a toucan crossing and a path on the other side of Station Road. Lighting is still an issue, because of the stone curlews. The site "value engineering" has not yet commenced.

Brandon town is not allowed to build many houses because of the presence of stone curlews. The stone curlew was filmed by the BBC nesting opposite the Lakenheath Eriswell Road Persimmon site, however, Natural England decided that there was somewhere else the birds could move to.

Unsurprisingly, the curlews are back nesting 200m from the Eriswell Road site.

West Suffolk Council has established the Brandon Commission to pull together all the research and find out what the actual issue is and what needs to be done, reporting back to Defra. D/Cllr Kelly will respond to the consultation. Cllr N Smith will respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

2025/177 Matters relating to previous Minutes

- a. The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 3rd 2025 were **AGREED** as an accurate record

Cllr Overy asked the council to **NOTE** that she had subsequently withdrawn her comment about the defibrillator. The clerk commented that Mrs Barnes had confirmed that the Sedge Fen public defibrillator will be fully operational within the next two weeks.

2025/178 Financial Matters (Appendix B)

- a. The Bank reconciliations for months ending 28th February and 31st March 2025 were unanimous **AGREED**.

b. The Summary of payments for authorisation was unanimous **AGREED**. The RFO had spent a long time on the phone to Lloyds about bank charges: LPC fall into a different payment bracket this year because of the grants that were received.

c. Approval of Accounts year ending 31 March 2025 were considered in order and unanimously **AGREED**:

(i) The Annual Return – Section 1 Annual Governance.

(ii) The Annual Return - Section 2 Accounting Statements.

The chairman and clerk signed both sections of the AGAR.

The Accounting Statements were **APPROVED**.

2025/179 **Speed Indicator Devices and related Reports** (*Appendix C*)

a. **RECEIVED**: Station Road reports

b. **RECEIVED**: Eriswell Road reports

Cllr Kelly remarked that there remain high speeders recorded.

The Chairman thanked Mr Garth Tolmie for his Reports

c. Speedwatch Team Report

Cllr Rowntree reported that the team plan to go out twice this week: nine `over speeds` had been recorded. More volunteers are needed.

2025/180 **Matters related to Planning**

a. The notes from the Planning Sub Committee meeting held March 2025 (*Appendix D*) were **RECEIVED**

Cllr Kelly told the meeting that, at the Mola café site, a retrospective planning application has been put in. If LPC objects, this will have to go to WSC Delegation Panel (the planning officer dealing with the resubmission had recommended approval). D/Cllr Kelly had displayed a slide which showed which elements had been put up without planning permission, and described why the proposal was not going to work. The bigger “Tesco” site should be properly sorted out, this is all part of it. The WSC officers were insistent that all that could be discussed was what was on the plan. He later found that the planning officers had gone back to the developer and now the wall has to be continuous. Suffolk Highways had previously indicated that the access to the High Street was not allowed.

Now out for consultation again, the approval has not been sent out, nor will it be until this has been dealt with.

2025/ 181 **Grant/ Funding Applications** (*Appendix E*)

a. The Good Neighbours application for £250 was **AGREED**.

Cllr A Gyte commented that more recruits for GNS are needed.

2025/182 **Updates**

To receive reports/ updates (on the night):

a. Chairman, Vice Chairman and clerk

- (i) Defibrillator training: Clerk had obtained a quote (£150 for 15 people). Clerk to write to trainer. Cllr Kelly commented that the Suffolk Accident and Rescue Service will carry out free training, dependent on the numbers involved.
Cllr Hastings asked that the Lakenheath Times editor places an article in the Lakenheath Times to ascertain how many people would be interested, timing, i.e. evening or morning, in defibrillator and CPR training.
- (ii) LPC Asset Register: Cllr A Gyte and the RFO have been through the village and produced a final asset register.
- (iii) WSC are contacting parish clerks to establish West Suffolk assets within each parish. Do the parish want to take them over? Clerk has not yet received the request.
- (iv) Annual Assembly (Annual Parish Meeting) **AGREED** £300 budget for refreshments.
- (v) Public Library provision: on the 18th of last month, library services were taken back by SCC. At this stage, no changes have been made. The Friends Groups are reluctant to hold fundraising events or spend.
- (vi) SCC Highways Ref 509836-Eriswell Road, Lakenheath Street Light 0361, Eriswell Road, Lakenheath CR No 510592 (copied to cllrs) agreed to support at March meeting: this has now been agreed.
- (vii) Playground drainage: the blocked drain has been sucked out (in his own time) by a member of staff.
- (viii) Joshua Tree scheduled in dates for tree works at the 3x sites in Lakenheath for 23rd, 24th and 25th April as per annual ongoing maintenance works.

- b. VE Day: Royal British Legion: Cllr N Smith called a meeting with a member of the Lakenheath Royal British Legion this week. The “Tommies” at the beacon on the playing field are in a dreadful state: these belong to the LPFA. An original WWII flag will be raised and Cllr Smith has spoken to a beacon lighting company (to be lit at 9.30pm), church bells ringing commencing 6.30pm, letting off red white and blue firework shells. The beacon needs to be weeded and will be cordoned off with bunting.
There will be an address by Mr M Edwards. The RBL to be reminded about the weeding.
The Lancaster room opens at 7 pm on the night (8th May)
Cllr Rowntree to be sent a piece for social media.

- c. Lakenheath Times (Cllr D Smith): slow at the moment, anticipating a lot of input towards the deadline of 1st May.
- d. Emergency Plan 2025 (Cllr J Hastings) Plan and packs have been updated. Packs will be issued to all Councillors, she is waiting for the Village Hall Management Committee to come back about access to keys, as this is a dedicated rest centre.
- e. LPC Facebook page (Cllr M Rowntree) Been really busy, comment about how tidy the Cemetery is. Cllr I Frost has government association digital information and will send to Cllrs Rowntree and Cllr D Smith.
- f. Noticeboards and benches (Cllr A Gyte) told the meeting that all eight noticeboards (includes Sedge Fen), all six benches, the chapel door need refurbishment. A budget of £2,000.00 was **AGREED**.
Cllr N Smith asked that the Pavilion tommies are also refurbished.
- g. Village Hall AGM Cllr M Rowntree, Cllr N Smith and the clerk attended this AGM. The Management Committee will resign next year. At the last meeting the Management Committee had confirmed that they have a new Committee ready.
- h. Cemetery Committee Report: Cllr I Frost reported that the cemetery is looking good at present and we hope to have the grass cut in the next few weeks ready for Easter.
We have put up a screen/fence at the rear of the cemetery in the hope the deer will not come through from the back fields, though this is a wish rather than a remedy.
The deer tend to eat the tops of the fresh flowers which can be upsetting for visitors to new graves. We can only suggest where possible the use of silk or faux flowers as they do not appear to bother with these. The Cemetery team will be working again in the next week to remove all old floral tributes and generally tidy up the grounds of twigs and branches that have come down in the winds.
The chalk/dirt bay is very full and is now over three foot above the brick wall surround so needs to be cleared asap. This is the result of quite a few burials lately where the Funeral diggers have filled the bay.
At next month's meeting we will present the quotes for the proposed work on the entrance flower beds and the memorial garden so these can be agreed and work started.
Cllr Rowntree reported that the drains are blocked again at the Cemetery cottage: clerk to deal with.

An inspection visit is planned shortly.

- i. Lakenheath Post Office Cllr N Smith reported that 23rd April at 1pm is the official opening: shop refit going well.

2025/183 **Active Lakenheath**

- a. Introduction of Abi Cartwright-Thomas Development Officer – Place (West Suffolk) Active Suffolk and progress report (Abi Cartwright-Thomas had sent apologies) Clerk to circulate the email describing the project progress.

Cllr Kelly attended a well-attended workshop. Most of the people in attendance did not seem to have visited Lakenheath. LPC have received applications for the two Community Connectors: LPC will employ, with £8.5k contribution to cover back-office services provided by the clerk and RFO.

It was **RESOLVED** to sign the SLA.

2025/184 **Wings Road car park and public conveniences**

- a. To consider repairs to the facility (Cllr J Hastings)
Cllr Hastings described the repairs needed at the toilets.
Cllr Kelly assured the meeting that WSC plans are in place to demolish the run-down facility and replace with new.

2025/185 **Correspondence and Items for Future Meetings**

Cemetery cottage

2025/186 **Such other business which, in the opinion of the Chairman,**
should be considered as a matter of urgency

2025/187 **Information**

Clerks holiday 12th to 23rd May

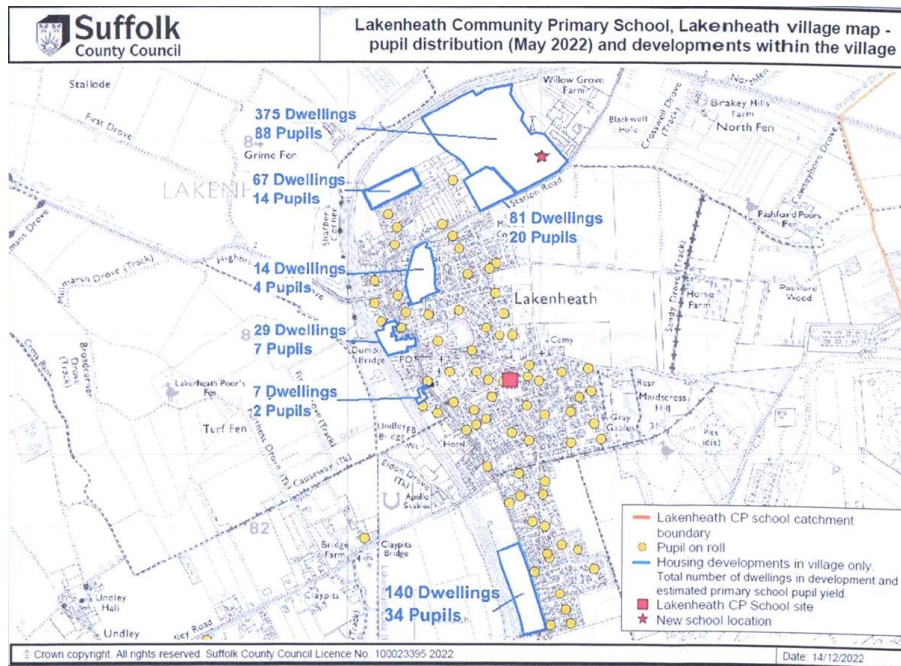
2025/188 **Exemption Items consideration**

A subject had arisen that the Chairman has asked is considered under Confidential/ Exemption. Amended Agenda had been circulated.

The public left the meeting

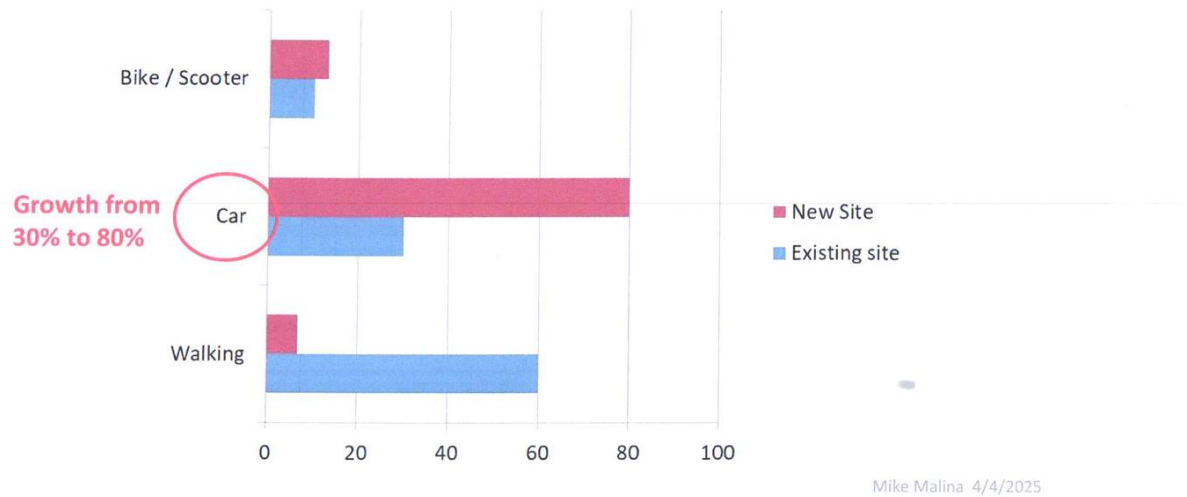
Meeting closed 8.49pm

Appendix A



Mike Malina 4/4/2025

Transport to and from School – Parent Survey Sept 2022



Appendix B

Bank Reconciliation 28th February 2025	
Balance at 31.01.2025	£407,512.89
Uncleared payments from previous period	£597.41
	£406,915.48
Income	£2,627.52
	£409,543.00
Less Expenditure (Chqs, Online Pmts + D/Ds)	£8,425.00
	£401,118.00
Represented by:	
Balance in Current Account	£3,935.92
Balance in Lloyds Bank Deposit Account	£5,773.09
Balance in Unity Trust Bank Deposit Account	£80,253.99
Balance in Nationwide Deposit Account	£87,287.21
Balance in Cambridge Building Society	£84,560.93
Balance in Lloyds Bank Deposit Account - Speedwatch	£654.33
Balance in Lloyds Bank Deposit Account - Lakenheath Times	£9,774.06
Balance in Lloyds Bank Deposit Account - Street Lighting	£129,651.99
	£401,891.52
Less Payments not Presented	
HMRC	£773.52
	£773.52
	£401,118.00
Bank Reconciliation 31st March 2025	
Balance at 28.02.2025	£401,891.52
Uncleared payments from previous period	£773.52
	£401,118.00
Income	£3,454.59
	£404,572.59
Less Expenditure (Chqs, Online Pmts + D/Ds)	£40,783.55
	£363,789.04
Represented by:	
Balance in Current Account	£7,978.38
Balance in Lloyds Bank Deposit Account	£277.55

Bank Reconciliation

Name of smaller authority: Lakenheath Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Suffolk

Financial year ending 31 March 2025

Prepared by Clare Shimmon - Responsible Financial Officer Date: 3rd April 2025

Balance per bank statements as at 31 March 2025:	£	£
Current Account	7,978.38	
Bank Deposit Account (Lloyds)	277.55	
Bank Deposit Account (Unity Trust)	80,759.26	
Building Society Deposit Account (Nationwide)	87,431.77	
Building Society Deposit Account (Cambridge BS)	84,560.93	
Bank Deposit Account - SpeedWatch (Lloyds)	654.83	
Bank Deposit Account - Lakenheath Times (Lloyds)	4,761.40	
Bank Deposit Account – Street Lighting (Lloyds)	97,924.57	
		364,348.69
Less: any unpresented payments at 31 March 2025	559.65	
Net balances as at 31 March 2025 (Box 8)		363,789.04
<i>The net balances reconcile to the Cash Book (receipts and payments account) for the year, as follows:</i>		
CASH BOOK:		
Opening Balance 1 April 2024 (Prior year Box 8)		202,040.66
Add: Receipts in the year & cancelled payments		360,885.22
Less: Payments in the year		(199,136.84)
Closing balance per cash book [receipts and payments book] as at 31 March 2025 (must equal net balances above – Box 8)		363,789.04

LAKENHEATH PARISH COUNCIL

Date	Transaction	Payee	Description of Supply	Amount
Receipts				
February			Interest Payments	£262.52
February			Lakenheath Times Advertising	£1,415.00
February			Cemetery Cottage Rent	£950.00
February			Cemetery Fees	£900.00
18.03.2025		Lloyds Bank Plc	Complaint	£50.00
March			Interest Payments	£759.59
March			Lakenheath Times Advertising	£815.00
March			Cemetery Cottage Rent	£950.00
March			Cemetery Fees	£880.00
Payments Made				
03.03.2025	Debit Card	Amazon	Tippex	£4.51
17.03.2025	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	Electricity - Cemetery Chapel	£33.00
18.03.2025	Direct Debit	Lloyds Bank Plc	Bank Charges	£9.35
18.03.2025	Debit Card	Amazon	Badge Holders	£7.40
21.03.2025	Debit Card	Amazon	Staple Gun	£26.95
25.03.2025	Online	Staff	Salary Payments - March	£2,607.92
25.03.2025	Online	Sunrise Cleaning Services	Village Cleaning - February	£345.00
25.03.2025	Online	Suffolk County Council	Annual Street Lighting Energy & Maintenance	£26,103.76
25.03.2025	Online	N Glading (Clerk Reimbursement)	Google Play, Mobile Phone, Postage & Travel	£64.40
25.03.2025	Online	K C Flack	Inspect Manhole - Play Area	£210.00
25.03.2025	Online	Anglian Water	Wings Road Public Conveniences December 2024 to March 2025	£117.41
25.03.2025	Online	Cllr N Smith (reimbursement)	Lakenheath Times Gratuity	£9.99
03.04.2025	Direct Debit	British Gas	Electricity - Public Toilets	£66.71
11.04.2025	Online	BT Payment Services	Parish Office Telephone & Broadband	£89.96
11.04.2025	Online	Michael Murfet	Moire Catcher - Lakenheath Cemetery	£80.00
11.04.2025	Online	Michael Murfet	Open & Closing Public Toilets & Cemetery Work - April	£366.08
11.04.2025	Online	Lakenheath Methodist Church	Room Hire - February & March	£96.00
11.04.2025	Online	Suffolk Association of Local Councils	Annual Subscription	£1,104.32
11.04.2025	Online	N Glading (Clerk Reimbursement)	Google Play, Mobile Phone, Little Fishes	£126.08

All invoices listed have been 'examined, verified and certified' by the RFO

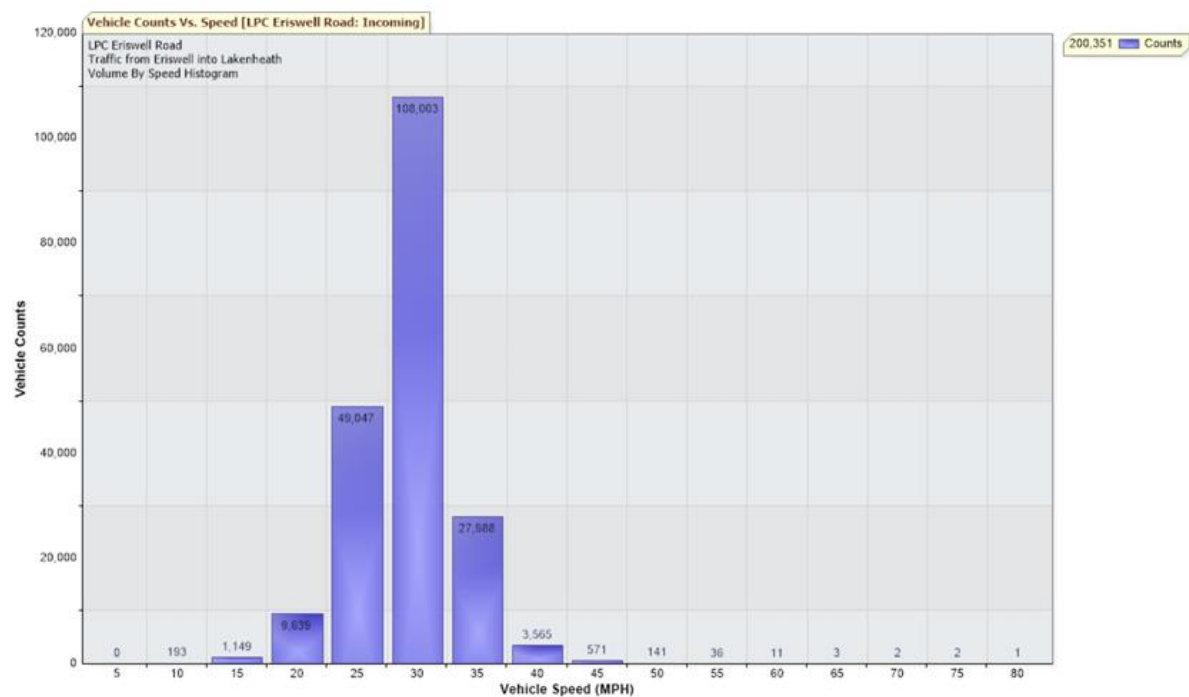
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

Year Ended		Year Ended
31/03/2024	RECEIPTS	31/03/2025
£177,800.00	PRECEPT	£177,500.00
£5,994.21	INTEREST	£7,683.39
£5,595.00	BURIAL FEES	£3,765.00
£5,937.23	SUNDRY RECEIPTS (INC. NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING, RENT & GRANTS)	£152,367.96
£17,435.65	VAT REPAYMENT	£19,568.87
£212,762.09		£360,885.22
	PAYMENTS	
£31,519.77	CEMETERY & VILLAGE KEEPING COSTS	£9,394.06
£25,088.02	* OTHER CEMTERY COSTS	£19,680.75
£48,181.33	STREET LIGHTING	£53,577.83
£42,775.38	*ADMINISTRATION	£53,785.04
£6,541.00	GRANTS	£5,590.40
£11,527.34	CHILDRENS PLAY AREA	£949.32
£320.00	CHURCHYARD WALL & TREES	£500.00
£1,732.26	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	£31.00
£11,092.00	PARISH NEWSLETTER	£11,012.84
£3,136.09	PARISH OFFICE	£3,697.68
£18,833.66	VILLAGE FACILITIES	£21,216.25
£19,568.87	VAT ON PAYMENTS	£19,701.67
£220,315.72		£199,136.84
	RECEIPTS & PAYMENT SUMMARY	
£209,594.29	BALANCE AT 01/04/2024	£202,040.66
£212,762.09	ADD TOTAL RECEIPTS	£360,885.22

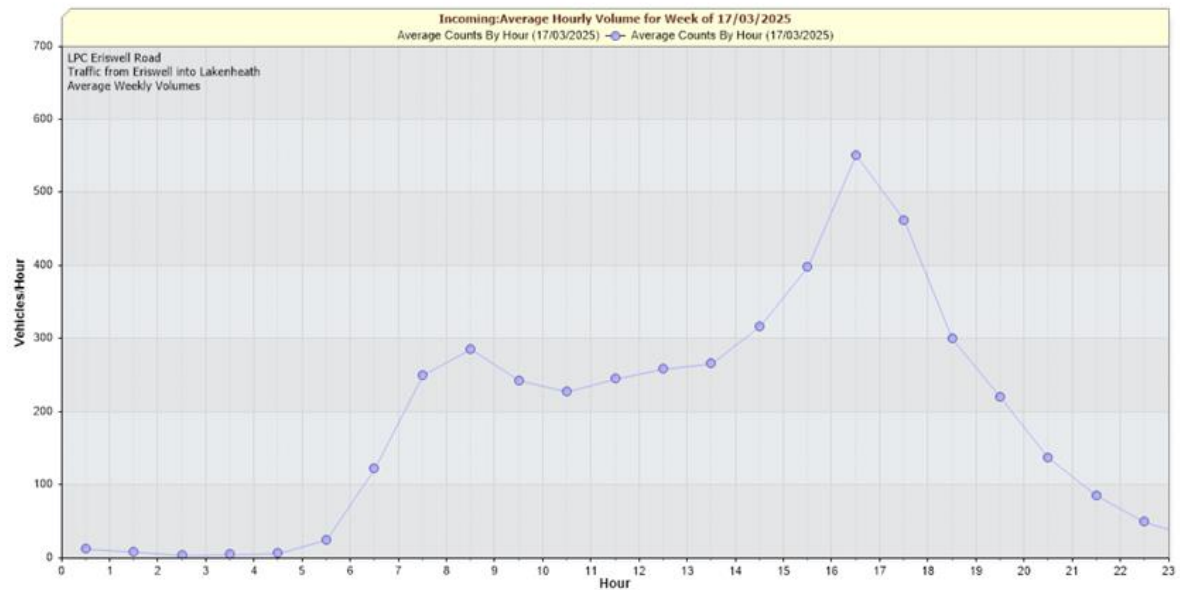
£220,315.72	DEDUCT TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£199,136.84
£202,040.66	BALANCE AT 31/03/2025	£363,789.04
CUMMULATIVE FUNDS REPRESENTED BY		
(as at 31st March)		
£8,627.42	CURRENT ACCOUNT	£7,978.38
	DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS	
£25,169.77	Lloyds Bank Plc	£277.55
£647.62	Lloyds Bank Plc - Speedwatch	£654.83
£2,415.01	Lloyds Bank Plc - Lakenheath Times	£4,761.40
	Lloyds Bank Plc - Street Lighting	£97,924.57
£5,834.88	Nationwide Building Society	£87,431.77
£78,632.18	Unity Trust Bank	£80,759.26
£82,259.68	Cambridge Building Society	£84,560.93
£1,545.90	LESS UNPRESENTED PAYMENTS	£559.65
£202,040.66	BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD	£363,789.04
* 'Administration' comprises:		
£31,220.36	Clerk & RFO Salaries	£32,457.60
£60.00	Training	£0.00
£1,104.61	Subs (inc SALC & Suffolk Acre)	£1,137.08
£10,390.41	Administration	£20,190.36
£42,775.38	Total	£53,785.04
* 'Other cemetery Costs' comprises:		
£17,363.41	Cottage & Chapel	£8,100.42
£4,303.63	Cemetery Supplies	£7,915.44
£3,420.98	Insurances	£3,664.89
£25,088.02	Total	£19,680.75

Appendix C SID Reports

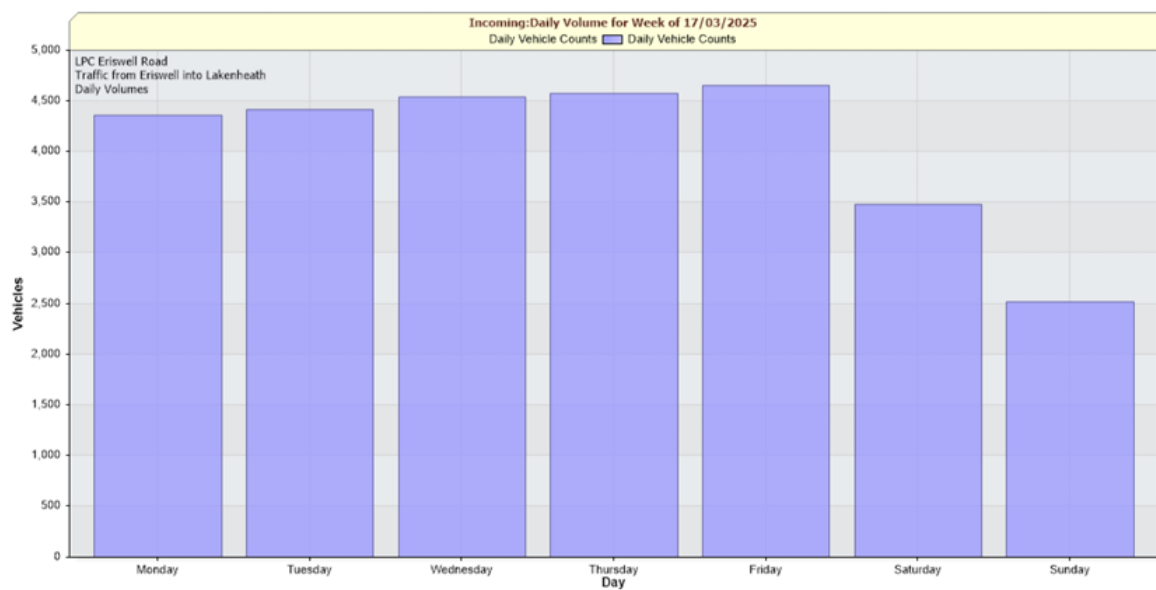
Traffic Report Eriswell Road February/March 2025 On 28 June 2024 at 11:00 the new SID was installed on the B1112 on the pole located on Eriswell Road. The SID was positioned just after the entrance to the pavilion to monitor traffic coming into Lakenheath from Lords Walk. Traffic speed and counts were measured from 00:00 on 31 January 2024 up until 13:59 on 24 March 2025. The measurement point is 740m past the point where the 30MPH zone starts. There were between 4300 and 4600 vehicles per weekday passing this point heading into Lakenheath. There were between 2500 and 3500 vehicles per day over the weekend heading into Lakenheath. The busiest times during the week are 07:45-08:45 (Avg. 269 cars p/h) and 16:15 -17:15 (Avg. 520 cars p/h). The 85th Percentile Speed (most people) travel at or below 30.4 MPH past his point. The 50th Percentile Speed (half the traffic) travel at or below 26.9 MPH past his point. The fastest speed recorded this month was 80MPH (x1). There were 196 cars exceeding 50 MPH. The next pages show: - Speed vs vehicle counts at the point listed above. - Typical hourly volumes passing this point - Typical daily volumes passing this point. - Speed exceedances of 35MPH for this period
The SID Battery measured 13.8V on 24/03/2025.



31/01/2024 to 24/03/2025 on Eriswell Road – Traffic from Lords Walk



Average hourly volumes heading into Lakenheath from Lords Walk



Typical daily volumes heading into Lakenheath from Lords Walk

Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
0 - 1	9	10	15	8	5	16	9
2 - 2	5	3	4	6	5	12	8
2 - 3	2	5	1	2	4	10	2
3 - 4	3	2	3	3	6	6	12
4 - 5	7	4	4	5	4	6	7
5 - 6	14	11	9	10	10	1	0
6 - 7	16	25	26	28	16	7	11
7 - 8	20	18	30	24	27	23	13
8 - 9	15	13	16	16	27	19	19
9 - 10	12	17	14	12	9	16	23
10 - 11	8	13	18	10	14	8	20
11 - 12	15	5	14	6	22	8	13
12 - 13	17	12	16	16	19	9	16
13 - 14	13	11	3	19	19	22	15
14 - 15	13	18	8	13	19	25	15
15 - 16	9	15	7	13	12	9	20
16 - 17	15	9	8	11	19	20	20
17 - 18	9	18	4	10	14	18	8
18 - 19	13	16	8	13	16	20	14
19 - 20	14	10	13	12	23	31	17
20 - 21	19	16	13	24	20	16	12
21 - 22	17	13	19	17	19	18	19
22 - 23	16	15	21	10	11	10	8
23 - 24	10	13	19	14	18	15	9
Totals	291	292	293	302	358	345	310

Exceeding Speed of 35MPH – February 2025

Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
0 - 1	13	8	8	8	10	10	8
2 - 2	3	4	1	7	2	12	3
2 - 3	3	6	3	3	0	11	9
3 - 4	4	1	4	0	1	6	8
4 - 5	4	5	3	7	4	7	3
5 - 6	13	12	10	7	6	5	4
6 - 7	38	20	32	19	22	10	12
7 - 8	34	19	18	20	26	26	19
8 - 9	20	11	23	17	11	18	20
9 - 10	16	13	10	13	5	11	25
10 - 11	21	10	3	10	7	19	21
11 - 12	14	8	20	8	16	17	18
12 - 13	15	14	19	11	13	21	18
13 - 14	17	15	12	11	15	21	21
14 - 15	10	12	8	9	12	23	25
15 - 16	10	16	16	4	11	22	9
16 - 17	8	5	13	7	11	19	21
17 - 18	9	5	8	10	12	28	20
18 - 19	13	3	12	6	14	17	26
19 - 20	9	8	9	11	16	27	18
20 - 21	16	16	11	14	14	15	26
21 - 22	10	8	12	12	12	9	18
22 - 23	7	12	9	11	13	13	14
23 - 24	3	8	9	8	7	9	7
Totals	310	239	273	233	260	376	373

Exceeding Speed of 35MPH – March 2025

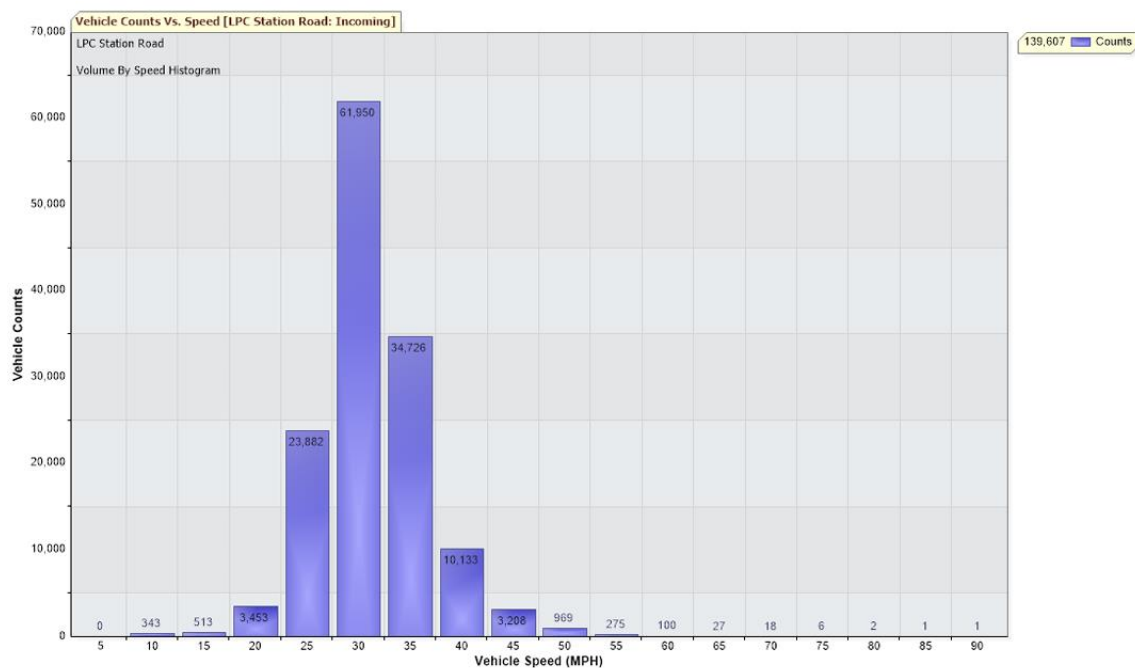
Traffic Report Station Road February/March 2025

On 15 June 2023 at 10:00 the new SID was installed on the B1112 on the pole located on Station Road. The SID was positioned to monitor traffic coming into Lakenheath from Wangford. Traffic speed and counts were measured from 00:00 on 31 January 2024 up until 13:59 on 24 March 2025. The measurement point is 700m past the point where the 30MPH zone starts.

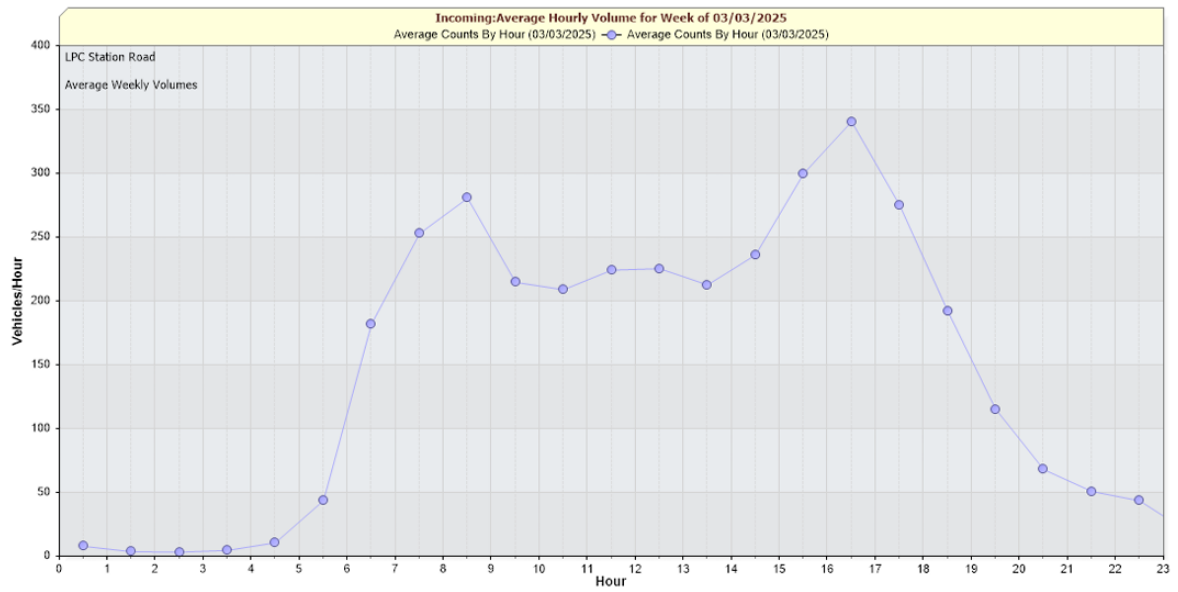
There were between 3300 and 3700 vehicles per weekday passing this point heading into Lakenheath. There were between 2400 and 2800 vehicles per day over the weekend heading into Lakenheath.

The busiest times during the week are 07:45-08:45 (Avg. 272 cars p/h) and 16:15 -17:15 (Avg. 326 cars p/h).

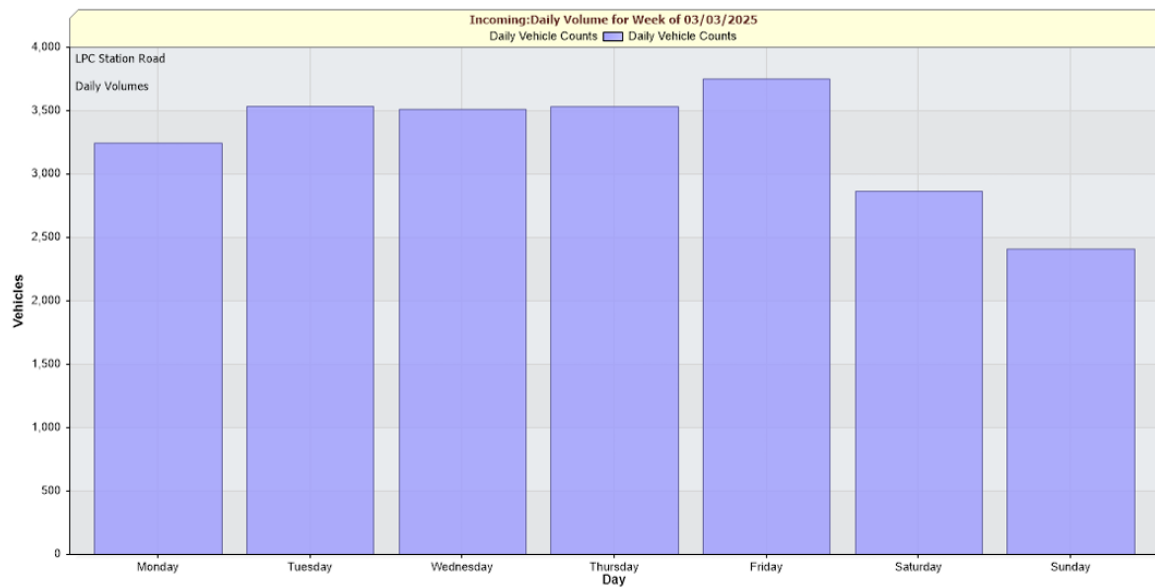
The 85th Percentile Speed (most people) travel at or below 34.1 MPH past his point. The 50th Percentile Speed (half the traffic) travel at or below 28.4 MPH past his point. The fastest speed recorded this month was 90MPH (x1), 85MPH (x1). There were 432 vehicles exceeding 50MPH. Due to the battery voltage falling below operational limits and not enough sunshine for the solar panel to recharge the battery, the SID did not monitor traffic for 6 days (18/03 to 23/03) The next pages show: - Speed vs vehicle counts at the point listed above. - Typical hourly volumes passing this point - Typical daily volumes passing this point. - Speed exceedances of 35MPH for this period The Battery measured 12.8V on 24/03/2025. For the most effective use of the Solar PV panel, and safe access for operations personnel, a pole should be erected at <https://what3words.com/shun.petty.plank> and the SID and PV moved to this location. Safe access to SID via Woodlands Drive.



31/01/2024 to 24/03/2025 on Station Road – Traffic from Wangford



Average hourly volumes heading into Lakenheath from Wangford



Typical daily volumes heading into Lakenheath from Wangford

Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
0 - 1	11	6	6	9	6	9	20
2 - 2	6	2	2	4	3	2	8
2 - 3	13	2	3	6	3	2	5
3 - 4	4	3	4	6	6	4	3
4 - 5	10	9	13	7	6	3	6
5 - 6	31	43	38	41	36	8	7
6 - 7	100	88	98	90	83	27	19
7 - 8	98	108	98	102	106	21	40
8 - 9	73	64	65	71	62	43	55
9 - 10	77	75	68	66	58	69	75
10 - 11	60	64	65	68	55	36	78
11 - 12	63	68	59	57	71	65	75
12 - 13	70	74	84	51	75	68	75
13 - 14	75	73	85	57	65	99	81
14 - 15	94	81	94	84	81	90	82
15 - 16	96	106	95	89	95	114	108
16 - 17	101	120	134	96	122	98	105
17 - 18	70	84	87	104	103	74	80
18 - 19	57	60	64	63	62	64	51
19 - 20	34	39	60	44	58	57	42
20 - 21	30	39	42	36	48	30	44
21 - 22	27	31	34	30	49	31	27
22 - 23	33	22	37	31	33	27	22
23 - 24	19	20	13	15	25	29	14
Totals	1252	1281	1348	1227	1311	1070	1122

Exceeding Speed of 35MPH – February 2025

Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
0 - 1	6	14	5	11	2	11	14
2 - 2	3	5	4	2	0	11	6
2 - 3	3	4	1	5	5	4	8
3 - 4	3	1	3	3	1	4	6
4 - 5	8	4	4	5	3	6	11
5 - 6	32	29	18	23	26	14	18
6 - 7	117	62	82	75	58	35	14
7 - 8	88	69	44	71	63	38	28
8 - 9	39	34	46	50	46	51	41
9 - 10	38	26	25	32	48	76	56
10 - 11	57	26	33	27	21	67	52
11 - 12	43	25	19	36	29	75	56
12 - 13	76	32	29	29	47	92	80
13 - 14	56	36	44	43	32	91	80
14 - 15	46	39	43	39	60	59	77
15 - 16	86	49	50	66	71	93	57
16 - 17	87	59	56	63	64	96	108
17 - 18	70	48	52	60	55	66	82
18 - 19	62	44	55	31	48	59	63
19 - 20	47	27	44	41	35	42	39
20 - 21	28	24	26	26	28	24	30
21 - 22	28	19	17	13	28	21	23
22 - 23	26	21	20	15	17	25	15
23 - 24	11	8	6	9	14	21	17
Totals	1060	705	726	775	801	1081	981

Exceeding Speed of 35MPH – March 2025

Appendix D

Lakenheath Parish Council Planning Sub Committee

NOTES from the meeting held on MARCH 19th 2025

Location: Parish Council Office *Members of the press and public are welcome to attend*

The members of the Planning Committee are Cllr W Overy (Chairman), Cllr A Gyte, Cllr N Smith, Cllr M Hugo and the LPC Chairman, Cllr G Kelly.

SOURCE: PLANNING PORTAL 15th March 2025

1. Apologies and Declarations of Interest Apologies were received from Cllr Overy.
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2. Members of the public may speak about an item on the agenda (3 minutes limit)
No public present
3. To consider the following requests for consultation:

A. Application no: DC/25/0236/HH

Planning Officer: James Morriss
Consultation Expiry: 7 March 2025

Proposal Householder planning application - porch extension

Location 8 Lime Close Lakenheath **Suffolk IP27 9AJ**

Applicant Mr C Hose

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SRINP7PDHQI00>

DECISION: APPROVE

B. Application no: DC/25/0267/HH Debbie Cooper

Consultation Expiry: 17 March 2025

Proposal Householder planning application - single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory)

Location 8 Brewers Close Lakenheath Suffolk IP27 9DW

Applicant Mr and Mrs S Harris

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SR0AJNPDHUA0>

DECISION: APPROVE

C. Application no: DC/25/0404/FUL Charlotte Russel

Consultation Expiry: 1 April 2025

Proposal Planning application - entrance steps and disabled ramp to

shop main entrance Location 65A High Street Lakenheath Suffolk IP27 9DS

Applicant Mr S. Anantharajah

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SSQPN6PDIC00>

DECISION: APPROVE

D. Application no: DC/25/0375/HH

Consultation Expiry: 1 April 2025

Proposal Householder planning application - ramped access to front of property

Location 24 Quayside Court Lakenheath Suffolk IP27 9LD

Applicant Mr & Mrs Kelly

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SSL5PMPDI9500>

DECISION: APPROVE

E. Application no: DC/25/0367/HH Charlotte Russell

Consultation Expiry: 28 March 2025

Proposal Householder planning application –

- a. single storey front extension with porch
- b. partial infill of front elevation windows
- c. window to replace existing garage door
- d. attached carport to side elevation e. single storey and two storey rear extensions

Location 64 Undley Road Lakenheath Suffolk IP27 9BY

Applicant Mr & Mrs Gallagher

<https://planning.westsuffolk.gov.uk/onlineapplications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=SSK08OPDI8J00>

DECISION: APPROVE

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Appendix E

LAKENHEATH PARISH COUNCIL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

1. a. The name of your group. Lakenheath Good Neighbours

b. Approximately how long has your group been operating? 20 years

c. Please give a brief description of your group's activities Our Group comprises a small number of volunteers. Collectively the group provides private transport for village residents to destinations within our village and to public service facilities (typically medical) located within a 20 mile radius of our village. Journeys and arrangements provided by our group are charge free, however, when travel is out of the village we ask for a donation to cover the obvious fuel costs.

d. Website address (if you have one) N/A

e. The address of the premises where you meet. The Private homes of Chair and Secretary.

f. Telephone number removed

g. Approximately how many members/beneficiaries does your group have? We are asked directly for help by village residents and our service to the community comprises over 400 jobs per year.

h. Where do the beneficiaries live? Within the Parish of Lakenheath.

2. a. Is your group run by a committee?

If **Yes**, please supply the names of the officers

Chair: Peta Gyte

Treasurer: Sue Taylor

Secretary: Annette Brooks

If **No**, please supply the names of the organisers with a brief description of their roles and responsibilities. N/A

b. Is your group supported by a statutory organisation? Yes, our organisation is affiliated to Community Action Suffolk (CAS)

If **Yes**, please describe the nature of the support (staffing, finance etc) No financial support. Administration to process our volunteer DBS checks. Liaison with West Suffolk Hospital. Occasional formal Guidance.

c. Does your group have a constitution? Yes
(Please supply us with a copy)

d. Name and address of person to whom correspondence should be sent.
E-mail address. removed

3. **YOUR FINANCE**

a. The name of your bank LLOYDS BANK

b. The name on your bank account Lakenheath Good Neighbours

Sort code removed
Account number: removed

c. Are your group's accounts audited or independently examined annually? NO
If **Yes**, please attach a copy of your most recent accounts

If **No**, please give details of annual income and expenditure for the current year (include a separate sheet if necessary).

We have no regular income. Donations only. Expenditure is for Public Liability Insurance. Telephone costs. User events.

4. **YOUR GRANT APPLICATION**

a. For what purpose is funding sought? Please state how this will directly benefit the residents of Lakenheath.

To continue the Good Neighbours Scheme which is a valuable service much used by the village.

b. Total cost of the above. Please give details and attach quotes, estimates or any information you may have.

To cover our organisation running costs.

c. Amount raised so far N/A

d. From where? (Other organisations, group fundraising etc) We are also applying to The Christian Enterprise Foundation

e. Amount requested from Lakenheath Parish Council £250.00

If you have additional information about your group that would support your application, please include it on an additional sheet.

Signed: *Annette Brooks*

*on behalf of Lakenheath Good Neighbours

Position Secretary

Date 27th March 2025