



CRESSING PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting
held on 30th January 2025 at 7.00pm at
St Barnabas, Claud Ince Avenue, Cressing.

Present: Cllr John Lawton – Chairman
Cllr Colin Haines
Cllr Christine Ives
Cllr Eileen Mottershead
Cllr Tony Sim

Cllr Colin Haines joined the meeting late at 7.35pm

In attendance:

Mrs Christine Marshall (Parish Clerk/RFO and Proper Officer)
No members of the public

25-6/012 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman explained that this Extraordinary meeting had been called to discuss further the basis of the new lease for Cressing Sports & Social Club at the playing field.

25-6/013 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members in attendance

25-6/014 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of the council are subject to the Local Authorities Code of Conduct Order 2007 (SI 2007/1159) (The Revised Code) with the additional, non-mandatory, section 12(2).

The Clerk confirmed that in accordance with Section 31(4) of the Localism Act 2011, dispensation has been granted to Cllrs Lawton and Sim as members of the Social Club to participate in item 24-5/115.

25-6/015 MOTION TO EXCLUDE PUBLIC & PRESS

In accordance with Standing Order 4.d, it was resolved that the Meeting shall not be open to the press or public as their presence may be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

25-6/016 PLAYING FIELD LEASE

As a consequence of further information being received, Councillors discussed the basis for the lease and **it was agreed** that the lease should be prepared on the basis of ground rent be applied to the area occupied by the Pavilion (i.e. Members' Bar, Hall and Bar, Kitchen and Toilets, together with rear garden area). Ownership of the Changing Rooms should rest with the Parish Council and CSSC will be issued with a lease for the use of the football pitch and changing rooms.

RESOLUTION: Clerk to issue an email to CSSC Management Committee to confirm this prior to their EGM to be held on 31st January. **Proposed: Cllr Lawton seconded: Cllr Sim.**
Action: Clerk

25-6/017 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Local Government Act 1972, section 101, gives the Parish Council the power to delegate authority to a Councillor, Committee or Clerk (being the council's Proper Officer). However **it was agreed to defer this item** to the Full Council meeting on 12th February 2025.

25-6/018 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 12th

February 2025 at St Barnabas, Claud Ince Avenue, Cressing.

25-6/019 MEETING CLOSED

There being no further business to be discussed at this time, the Chairman of the meeting declared the meeting closed at 5.45pm.

Dates of meetings for 2025

12 th February	12 th March	
9 th April	14 th May	11 th June
9 th July	13 th August	10 th September
8 th October	12 th November	10 th December