



South Mimms & Ridge Parish Council
Thursday 4th December Ridge Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Chris Myers, Cllr Ralph Bania Cllr Cathy McCaffrey

Natalie Curran (Clerk)

Minute Ref 2025/26:

- 52.** The Chairperson of the meeting welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.
- 53.** Apologies for absence – Cllr Neil Johnson.
- 54.** No declarations of Councillors' interests pertaining to agenda items were received.
- 55.** The minutes of the last meeting (November 2025) were approved and signed.
- 56.** It was noted that there will likely be an election for the casual vacancy created by the resignation of Cllr Becker. This will be in the new year, although the Hertsmere Returning Officer hasn't confirmed a date yet.

57. Finance:

No items to approve

58. Planning:

The following planning applications and hear any public representations:

- a)** Charleston Paddocks St Albans Road South Mimms Ref:25/1668/VOC Removal of condition 33 (restriction of use as a data centre) following grant of planning permission for an HGV Distribution Centre under 23/1049/OUT.
- b)** Coursers Farm, Coursers Road Colney Heath St Albans Ref. 25/1657/OUT Erection of 3x storage buildings adjoining the existing structure. (Outline application with all matters reserved.)
- c)** Land Off Coursers Road Colney Heath Hertfordshire Ref: 25/1630/EI2 Request for a scoping opinion (Environmental Impact Assessment)
- d)** Lantern Garage, Swanland Road South Mimms Ref: 25/1632/FUL Continued use of land for Class B2/B8 purposes - regulation of use after a period of non-occupation.
- e)** Late addition not on agenda: 25/1550/OUT Outline planning application demolition of Premier Inn hotel and construction of a new industrial and logistics building, Use Class B8 (storage and distribution)

There were no updates on any planning enforcement issues. The Clerk agreed to chase Hertsmere Planning Enforcement for an update on the over-sized new build house on Blanche Lane.



59. Community Events to note:

Carols round the tree, with Christmas Fair and kids' movie Sunday 14th December at South Mimms Village Hall from 5.30pm (following the service at St Giles Church).

60. Other Notices:

None

61. Public Comments

The clerk undertook to chase up the road repairs at the top of Blanche Lane with Highways.

62. Date of the next meeting: 5th February 2026 in South Mimms.