

Wood Dalling Annual Parish Meeting
Chairman's Annual Report 2024-2025

Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting. The Parish Council meets six times each year to deal with any planning issues noted by councillors or reported by parishioners, and these are then raised formally through our District Councillor, Dave Thomas, to the Planning department of Broadland District Council.

We have enjoyed a period of stability since the change in Parish Clerks and are fortunate that with her new responsibilities as Clerk in Wymondham, Laura still finds time to oversee our affairs.

This time last year we had suffered extreme rain and wind conditions; this year we seem to be headed for a drought. The village signboard by the church has been successfully restored and work continues on the village signpost. The new base-plate should be arriving towards the end of May and the plinth can then be rebuilt.

Our thanks are due to our councillors for the voluntary responsibilities which they take on on behalf of the parish, the most visible of which is perhaps the annual Litterpick overseen by John Rawlinson.

Jeff Topp has continued to maintain the SAM2 speed sign on the Reephams-Thurning road through the village, in addition to his editorship of the Parish Newsletter and oversight of the grass-cutting, taken on this year by Richard Harrold.

Kerry Oldfield and Rory Harrold, backed up by Alex Clark-Rudd, have continued as signatories to the Parish Council's bank account, checking and making and receiving payments as due. Rory additionally looks after the repair and maintenance of the Town House.

Following two years where the Precept was maintained at £1,888 it will increase for the year 2025-26 to £2,046, an increase of £158.

Details of the Parish Council's activities are available on the Parish Council's website, <https://wooddallingpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>, including Minutes of the six annual meetings.

For what may be the last time, given the proposed changes to Local Government being enacted by Westminster, I thank our long-standing County Councillor Greg Peck and our District Councillor Dave Thomas for all the help they have given to the Parish through the year. As last year, I thank all Parish Councillors, in particular those who have full time jobs and still take on the task, for their invaluable contributions throughout the year.

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