

Sedgebrook Parish Council



Minutes for Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 2 February 2026 at 7.00 PM

Location: Sedgebrook Social Club, 4 Abbey Lane, Sedgebrook, NG32 2EY

MINUTES

Welcome and open the meeting.

- The meeting was opened at 7.04pm.

- Present: Cllrs Jane Denton, Gill Mahoney (Chair), Alec McNulty, Christine Warby (V Chair), Rachael Yates; Dermot Daly (Clerk); No members of the public.

25/26/078 Receive and approve any apologies for absence.

- None.

25/26/079 Receive disclosures of interests from Councillors on matters at this meeting and agree any dispensations.

- None.

25/26/080 Suspend Standing Orders (for this item only) and allow for Parishioner Comments.

- No public in attendance.

PLANNING

25/26/081 S25/2471 - Adjacent Parish: Land West Of Grange Paddock, Barrowby - Outline application for up to 195 dwellings with open space, landscaping, drainage and other associated works (all matters reserved except for access). [Deadline: 06/02/2026]

- It was RESOLVED to respond as follows:

Sedgebrook Parish Council hereby object to the above planned housing development at Barrowby. Our objections are as follows:

- Barrowby has already been transformed from a characterful Lincolnshire village that has been urbanised, effectively a suburb of Grantham, which leads to a loss of the village identity.
- None of these developments, including this one, were supported by, or voted for, by the local community.
- This development, like the others, will remove very good agriculture land from the food production chain. As per a recent article in the Guardian newspaper, it reported that in 1984 the UK had 78% self-sufficiency and this has now fallen to 62% and will reduce more due to demand for land from a range of more lucrative uses which continues to grow – house and road building. Solar farms can also be added to this list. The Government predicts 10% reduction in farmland by 2050.
- The natural environment will be devastated and replaced with hard standing and characterless buildings. The loss of the natural habitat, where wildlife is forced into a condensing countryside.
- The increased flood risk, due to mass water displacement, can only further exacerbate the already fragile environment.
- The lack of previously planned road infrastructure does not bode well for the significant increase in traffic. This increase in traffic volumes on an inadequate road network, only offers further chaos. There have been no changes to the road network in Barrowby for decades. The two access junctions from the A52 trunk road into Barrowby, one being the main junction for the A1 North slip road and the other access point crosses the A52 dual carriageway on the crest of Barrowby hill A52 trunk road, has had no functioning lights for several years now and all road markings are very faint. There would be increased heavy traffic entering and exiting the village at these points – this would also increase the risk on the A52 junction at the top of Barrowby Hill.

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- Access to the planned building works is going to be from Grange Paddock, which must be devastating for those now living on a quiet road with no through traffic.
- There is expected to be an impact on vehicles travelling from Sedgebrook accessing the A1, both North and South, due to the extra traffic from Barrowby. Extra traffic from Barrowby will also increase the traffic flow on the A52 toward Nottingham making it more difficult for Sedbrook traffic accessing the A52.
- The lack of adequate services, schools, hospital, GPs, Dentists, etc. These services are already at breaking point. This and the other developments in Barrowby, will only be adding to the strain on these services.

Sedgebrook Parish Council hopes that SKDC Planning will look seriously at its objection to this planning application.

Close meeting.

- The meeting was closed at 7.51pm.

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