



## Pettistree & Loudham

### ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

#### Approved Minutes

**On Thursday 24 April 2025 7pm in the Village Hall, Pettistree**

**1 Present from the Parish Council**

Cllr Jones (Chair); Cllr Chilvers, Cllr Hayward; Cllr Over; and Cllr Smith.  
In attendance: A Staples (Parish Clerk); Claire Cox from Suffolk Police and thirteen parishioners were in attendance.

**2 Apologies**

Apologies received from: Parish Cllr Will Harrison; County Cllr Alexander Nicoll; and District Cllr Sally Noble.

**3 Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting on 25 April 2024**

The minutes were approved and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

**4 Introductions**

Claire Cox from Suffolk Police was introduced. She is the liaison Police Officer for Pettistree from the Community Policing Team, which replaced the Safer Neighbourhoods Team. Her role is to act as a problem solver for policing issues arising in the village, such as criminal offending, anti-social behaviour and traffic / parking issues. Claire reported on crimes reported in the village over the last year, including six burglaries / attempted burglaries, (residential, non-residential and businesses premises), three road traffic related incidents, and five miscellaneous investigations. The Police are carrying out 'red route' burglary patrols in the early hours, and Pettistree has been added to the route given the number of incidents recorded in the last year. Claire is holding a monthly police surgery in Wickham Market and Woodbridge and suggested having a monthly surgery in Pettistree, or perhaps attending the monthly coffee mornings in the village hall, (on the first Wednesday of the month).

**5 To received reports from:**

- **Chair of the Parish Council Councillor Susan Jones**  
Cllr Jones presented her report, which can be [read here](#).

- **District Councillor Sally Noble**  
Cllr Noble was unable to attend. She provided a written report that can be [read here](#).
- **County Councillor Alexander Nicoll**  
Cllr Nicoll was unable to attend, his written report was read out, and can be [read here](#).
- **Village Hall Committee**  
Jim Jarvie presented the Village Hall report, which can be [read here](#). Cllr Smith volunteered to be the parish council representative on the village hall committee.
- **Pettistree Heritage**  
Cath Caudwell presented the report from Pettistree Heritage, which can be [read here](#).
- **Pettistree Parochial Church Council**  
Maggie Hallett presented the report of the PCC, which can be [read here](#).

A concern was raised by some parishioners about the parking of vehicles on the meadow by the Church Room, causing damage to wild flowers. Parking was by both the contractors working at the Church and also pub customers, the latter without permission.

## 6 Open Discussions

- 6.1 **What are the challenges for the parish?**
- 6.2 **What improvements can be made?**
- 6.3 **How do we see the future in terms of community, agriculture, environment, business?**

Jayne Roberts, the manager of the kennels was introduced; she offered to answer any concerns raised about the kennels. No specific concerns were raised at the meeting, but it was acknowledged that concerns had been raised in the village about the level of noise coming from the kennels. Information was provided about the steps being taken to keep noise to a minimum, and their plans to do works on the kennels.

A parishioner requested street name signs in Pettistree, and queried why there are signs in Loudham and not Pettistree? The parishioners present were of differing opinions about whether road signs were wanted. Cllr Hayward volunteered to make enquiries with the District Council about the absence of street signs.

A request was made for a further 'not suitable for HGVs' to be placed in the the village, this time on Rogues Lane, like the one recently installed on Java Lodge

Road, and paid for by KindWater Ltd. It was agreed that County Cllr Nicholl should be approached to see if his locality grant could be used to fund a sign.

A request was made for the removal of the derestricted speed limit sign on Rogues Lane as it encouraged vehicles to travel faster than prior to the sign being installed. It was agreed that the issue should be raised with SCC Highways.

**7 Close of meeting**

The meeting closed at 2019.

**Signed**

*S Jones*

*(Signed 'wet ink' copy on file)*

**Cllr S Jones  
Chair – Pettistree Parish Council  
9 April 2026**