

- F/YR26/0005/F Mr and Mrs T Hussey
Erect 1 x self build/custom build dwelling at Land South of 38 Burrowmoor Road.
Received 9 January 2026
Reply by 30 January 2026
Recommendation; Approval
- F/YR26/0036/F InPost UK
Installation of an InPost Locker (retrospective) at 10 Dartford Road.
Received: 26 January 2026
Reply by: 16 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval
- F/YR26/0042/F Mr & Mrs Johnson
Erect 1 x self-build/custom build dwelling and associated outbuildings and creation of storm water drainage ditch at Plot 2 Land South of Field View, Mill Hill Lane.
Received: 28 January 2026
Reply by: 18 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval *subject to there being satisfactory provision for the management and maintenance of the storm water drainage ditch.*
- F/YR26/0043/F Mr & Mrs A Bailey
Erect 1 x self-build/custom build dwelling and associated outbuildings and creation of storm water drainage ditch at Plot 4 Land South of Field View, Mill Hill Lane.
Received: 28 January 2026
Reply by: 18 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval *subject to there being satisfactory provision for the management and maintenance of the storm water drainage ditch.*
- F/YR26/0044/F Mr & Mrs S Welcher
Erect 1 x self-build/custom build dwelling and associated outbuildings and creation of storm water drainage ditch at Plot 3 Land South of Field View, Mill Hill Lane.
Received: 28 January 2026
Reply by: 18 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval *subject to there being satisfactory provision for the management and maintenance of the storm water drainage ditch.*
- F/YR26/0050/F Amazon UK Services Ltd
Installation of an Amazon click and collect locker (retrospective) at March Railway Station.
Received: 29 January 2026
Reply by: 19 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval

F/YR26/0061/F

Mrs Anthony-Bulunova
Conversion of existing annexe to 1 dwelling at Annexe, 43
West End.
Received: 30 January 2026
Reply by: 20 February 2026
Recommendation; Approval

164 Public Participation

Since nobody had given the requisite notice to the Clerk to enable them to address the meeting, no public participation took place.

165 Minutes of Meetings

The following Minutes were agreed and signed by the [Deputy] Town Mayor:

Main Meeting – 5 January 2026

Planning – 19 January 2026

166 Matters Arising

Main Meeting Minute 153; Cllr Christy raised an issue under January’s “Matters Arising” (referencing the 1 December meeting). He stated that FACT is a CIO. He is merely a trustee of FACT. There is a General Manager tasked with the day-today running of the organisation. He was unhappy with the comments made by Cllr J French at the January meeting (at which he was absent) and invited her to withdraw the comments. Cllr French did not agree to withdraw said comments.

Main Meeting; Minute 154; Cllr Christy raised concerns about the budget ratification and did not think all paperwork had been received/shared (a governance issue) and wanted his concerns about the CAB application minuted, as did Cllr Field.

Cllr Spencer (acting Chair) stated that he would sign off the minutes with the comments raised.

The Clerk confirmed that everything was in order and reiterated, once again, that Estover was not a typical annual/specific grant.

Cllr J French requested the Clerk to contact CAB to ask if they have permission to have 2 x sessions at March Library.

*A typo was noted on page 5 - £80pa should read £80k.

167 Christmas Lights - Constitution

The Christmas Lights committee had only finalised their Constitution and Terms of Reference yesterday, which was emailed to the Clerk at 22:49.

As such, Councillors had not had enough time to consider all the paperwork.

Some discussion was had and it was noted that the Terms were not consistent with an “independent” committee, but it was considered prudent to defer consideration of the documents until next month.

Cllr J French requested that the Clerk seek legal advice.

Given that discussions had had to be deferred another month due to the late submission of documents, Cllr Field queried the Clerk’s involvement with Christmas Lights until the Friends of March Christmas Lights Constitution was signed.

The Clerk confirmed that other than paying invoices for the 2025 event, she would not be involved in any organisational aspects of the lighting or switch-on event for 2026. This had been agreed by Personnel and Admin meeting and confirmed at December’s main meeting.

A checklist of tasks had been sent to Cllr Field last week along with an up-to-date breakdown of spending for the 2025 event. There were still some outstanding invoices.

Cllr Orbell reminded those present of their duty of care to each other in relation to well-being and dignity.

168 MVAS Update

The Clerk confirmed that the Attachments License had been renewed. Cllr Christy had connected to the old machine and discussed his findings.

169 Cambridgeshire County Council Update

All email updates were being circulated by the Clerk as and when received.

Updates were provided in relation to the cleaning of the gully pots, replacement plastic bollard design at Station Road, Peas Hill roundabout upgrade, City Road carpark, the Twenty Foot upgrade and 9-month closure, various double yellow-lining and Upwell Road resurfacing.

Over 1,000 potholes had been filled last week but clearly there was a lot of work to be done. The budget for road maintenance has been increased considerably. Cllr Galbraith will chase up progress re Elwyn Road and Deerfield Road Junction raised by Cllr Field.

170 Fenland District Council Update

All email updates were being circulated by the Clerk as and when received.

Progress was slow in relation to Civil Parking Enforcement. Once costings are received, CPE will go back to Cabinet.

Cllr J French stated that a petition had been launched by Stephen Barclay in relation to Maple Grove so that an LHI could be applied for.

Cllr J French encouraged all to sign so that the serious issues near the schools could be tackled.

171 Payments List

The Payments List, as circulated, was agreed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Councillor A Woollard.....2 March 2026
Mayor of March.