

**Babcary Parish Council**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2026 Special Meeting 6.00pm at The Hut**

Present: Mr Simon Hoar, Mr Philip Sketchley, Mr Steve Street, Mrs Glynis Kingston, Mrs Vee Vyner, Mrs Jasmine Tucker (Parish Clerk) & 2 Members of the public.

Apologies: Mr Damien Pick & Mrs Jane Diamond

**1) Matters Arising**

- i) To be taken forward in September 2026.

**2) Finance**

- i) Capital Reserve account stands at £18,565.48 Current Account balance £50.

**3) Planning Consultation -**

- i) App 26/01813/DPO to modify the S.106 agreement (that ties the Red Lion Inn outbuildings & carpark into one single use & occupation) to remove part of the carpark Ref 0/05151/FUL. Response required by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026  
Concerns were raised over this resulting in car parking on the street & potential impact on emergency access throughout Babcary Parish.

The Parish Council resolved not to object if the following preconditions are met mitigating the removal of parking space.

- i) The owners have kindly confirmed in writing that they will retain 30 customer parking spaces. This is helpful but we need to see a scale marked plan showing where the 30 spaces will be and there must be proper marked bays, whether by ropes & pins or split rails or other means, before the existing space is withdrawn. Customers currently fill up the existing space when about 35 cars are parked there because, without bays, they don't park closely enough.
- ii) If the owners wish to remove part of the car parking provision whilst planning to expand the events of their business they must, in mitigation, make proper legal arrangements for the overflow car parking on another site when holding big events such as weddings. Nearby fields in Steart Lane or a redundant dog exercise compound further along Steart Lane might be a solution.

**4) AOB**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:** 8pm Monday 8th of September 2026 in the Hut.