

Warham Clerk's Report – 18 September 2025

My apologies for not be available for the last meeting, following major surgery a fortnight before. I do have the excuse that this is the first meeting that I have missed in the 23 years that I have been the clerk to Warham PC.

The main piece of news over the last couple of months has been the various ideas towards the reorganisation of local government. With the exception of South Norfolk, all the existing district councils have said that they would prefer the County to be divided into three for the formation of Unity Councils on the principle that this provides the best representation by Councillors. South Norfolk has suggested two and the County Council believes that a single authority should in future form the basis of Norfolk local government. Norfolk County Council have produced a document, aimed at Town and Parish Councils suggesting that they may be prepared to delegate various functions such as car parks and toilets, but they have been very careful to state that this is only a possible idea and is not “written in stone”. It would in any case be irrelevant for very small Parishes such as Warham.

In addition to whatever happens in Norfolk, the idea is that we should have a much closer relationship with Suffolk, the two counties being overseen by a Mayor.

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