

District Councillors Report for July 2026 – Shipdham and Cranworth

Your new County Councillor for Cranworth is Kabeer Kher, who was elected to serve Yare and Necton.

Elections for the new Unitary Authority are still programmed for 2027, and for one year those elected will work alongside existing district councillors in shadow form. Breckland council will cease at midnight on 31st March 2028 when the three unitary authorities will be effective from then on. The new West Norfolk unitary authority will comprise of Breckland, Kings Lynn and West Norfolk plus some South Norfolk parishes – I add the caveat that of course all this could change! Mayoral elections are still programmed for 2028, at the time of writing.

Local plan – Regulation 19 consultation period over the summer months.

Domestic Food Waste- this new mandatory service will start in September, when all households will be supplied with a small indoor caddy, and a larger external bin (with lid and lockable handle to deter vermin). The larger bin will be collected weekly. Look out for the leaflet explaining all which will be delivered to your home.

Small electrical items and batteries still cannot be collected kerbside. Please do not put any batteries into your general waste as they are a fire hazard.

Check Breckland website for a range of grants and opportunities for the community.

Renters Rights Act – active from 1st May 2026 - check Gov.uk for further details

Making a complaint – with sporting events, school summer holidays and better weather, if you have any complaints relating to anti social behaviour, noise, or nuisance, please use the **on line form** on the Breckland website – this will enable the correct information to be given, so that officers can triage complaints and make sure they get to the right department.

Always happy to help – Lynda and Paul