

Haslingfield Parish Council (“HPC”) Minutes - Draft

Monday 8 September 2025

Attendees: Parish Cllrs Liz Hales (LH) - Chairman; Andrew Gillies (AG); William Harrold (WH); Ruth Hatfield (RH); Steve Jones (SJ); David Revell (DR); James Roberts (JR); Lise Jackson – Parish Clerk (LJ); 4 members of the public attended.

Members: 7

Quorum: 4

Meeting commenced 7.30pm

25-198 Apologies: Apologies received from Cllrs O’Brien, Offord and Tipler.

25-199 Declarations of interest: None

25-200 Public Forum: Residents asked about grass cutting in the Wellhouse Meadow.

25-201 Minutes: It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of the meetings of 11/08/25. Proposed (JR) Seconded (DR) All supported

25-202 External Reports:

- a. The County Councillor report was received in advance of the meeting and is available on the website. Items discussed included the reorganisation of Highways and their new reporting tool.
- b. The District Councillor report was received in advance of the meeting and is available on the website.

25-203 Planning Applications and Decisions:

- a. Notification of the outcome of Planning Decision by GCP:
25/02287/HFUL – 24 Church Street, Haslingfield – Granted
24/04869/HFUL - 19 Church Street, Haslingfield – Appeal dismissed
- b. Notification of new Planning Applications:
25/03168/HFUL - 28 New Road, Haslingfield - First floor rear extension including pitched roof and juliet balcony, alterations to fenestration – Majority support

25-204 Community Centre at Wisbey’s Yard: The proposal for a darts and social club at Wisbey’s Yard was not received. Item postponed to a future meeting.

25-205 Water testing:

- a. A report was received from Friends of the River Rhee. High levels of e-coli have been detected in the river. It was noted that water testing is important in order to provide information to parishioners but also to look at the broader issue of the impact on biodiversity.
- b. It was **resolved** to support the grant application for £438.25 from the Eco Group for a further 9 months of water testing. Proposed (LH) Seconded (SJ) All supported

25-206 Consultations: Cllr Jones will respond to the SCDL Supplementary Planning Documents consultation on behalf of the Parish Council.

25-207 EWR: There will be a meeting with Pippa Heylings MP, EWR Co, Historic England and local Parish Councils on 11 September.

25-208 Haslingfield and Harlton Eco Group: The biodiversity group discussed the Local Nature Recovery Strategy. The Eco group will be hosting two upcoming events: a film and a scything event. The PC thanked the Eco Group for their offer to mow the meadow. The PC will need to speak to the contractor.

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- 25-209 Highways:** A reply was received from Highways regarding lorries driving through Haslingfield from the Barrington estate. There is no action to be taken. The PC will place an article in the newsletter.
- 25-210 Grounds maintenance towards FA grant:** It was **resolved** to pay for overseeding, weedkilling and verti draining the football field on the Recreation Ground in 2026 as a contribution towards the Colts’ FA grant. Proposed (LH) Seconded (RH) All supported
- 25-211 Remembrance Sunday:** It was **resolved** to make a donation of £25 to the Royal British Legion for Remembrance Sunday but not to purchase a wreath, due to the fact that they are made partly of plastic. Proposed (LH) Seconded (RH) All supported
- 25-212 AGAR:**
- a. The external audit report from PKF Littlejohn was received. It was noted there were no comments.
 - b. It was **resolved** that the Notice of Conclusion of Audit will be published for 14 days. Proposed (WH) Seconded (SJ) All supported
- 25-213 Clerk’s Report:** The Clerk’s Report was received.
- 25-214 Finance:** It was **resolved** to pay outstanding accounts. Proposed (AG) Seconded (DR) All supported

Payee	Description	Amount
HMRC	Tax and NI	£487.80
Staff	Salaries and home expenses	£2,529.52
Lise Jackson	Mileage	£15.75
Badcock Trust	Venue hire	£45.00
Dor-2-Dor	Newsletter delivery	£222.00 (inc VAT)
Nurture Landscapes	Grass cutting	£619.55 (inc VAT)
PKF Littlejohn	External audit	£504.00 (inc VAT)
Red Shoes	Payroll services	£261.00 (inc VAT)

- 25-215 Admission to Meetings:** It was **resolved** that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the meeting. Proposed (LH) Seconded (JR) All supported
- 25-216 Land matters:** Land matters were discussed.
- 25-217 Admission to Meetings:** With the confidential business having been concluded and there being no press and public wanting to be re-admitted, the Chairman closed the Meeting.

Meeting ended 9:33 pm

Date of next meeting: **Monday 13 October 2025** at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Issued by the Parish Clerk: Lise Jackson
12 September 2025